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H. H. Stevens, M.P. on Local Problems

FULL EXPOSITION OF ATTITUDE IN RAILROAD MATTERS

"YOU WILL HAVE RAILWAY CONNECTIONS JUST SO SOON AS SECOND NARROWS BRIDGE IS COMPLETED"

DEALS OUTSPOKENLY WITH OTHER QUESTIONS OF THE MOMENT

Larson's pavilion was on Tuesday night the scene of a well-attended meeting of ratepayers and residents of this city, the raison d'etre of the event being the presence in North Vancouver of Mr. H. H. Stevens, M.P. After an informal dinner in his honor at the Hotel North Vancouver, the member and his hosts adjourned at eight o'clock to the pavilion, where a large audience convened under the auspices of the Board of Trade, was already assembled. The president of the Board, Mr. Alexander Smith, with only a few prefatory remarks, called upon Mr. Stevens, who, speaking without notes, dwelt exhaustively and convincingly on most matters at present affecting the North Shore.

"I am delighted," said Mr. Stevens, "to have this opportunity of meeting the citizens of North Vancouver under the auspices of the Board of Trade and of discussing with you a few of the questions which are of particular interest on this side of the Inlet. I shall not attempt to go into any elaborate details regarding all the problems of the moment. Such a purpose could not be limited to one night. I shall confine myself to such questions in which you are very particularly interested. I noticed that one of the papers said that I was to give an account of my stewardship. That was scarcely the way to express it. I am not here to apologise for any action I have taken. A few of my zealous friends have seen fit to criticize my attitude more or less severely. When they hear the explanations I think they will agree with me that what I have done has been in the interests of the community.

"Let me first congratulate North Vancouver on its development. During the few months I have been away I notice marked changes and very rapid development on this side of the Inlet. In all places in the east which I have visited I have heard expressions of faith in Vancouver, meaning of course the lower mainland and there have been glowing tributes to this shore of the Inlet.

"The interest of North Vancouver in my estimation is wrapped up in the interests of the whole district. I believe that it is a mistake for any one section of British Columbia or of this district which we term Greater Vancouver to be jealous of the other part. I lay down this as one of the guiding principles in all my actions, that we must be unanimous in the interests of the whole district. Anything which develops the province must delevop Greater Vancouver. Anything which affects the south side of the Inlet advantageously must assist you here, and vice versa. We want to cultivate a kind of esprit de corps. There is just a little too much tendency to look after number one and in many cases a lack of public spirit! I wish it to be understood that I am not finding fault with my constituents. Many of you here have made fortunes. There is lots of room for everybody. It is along such lines that I have tried to work at Ottawa.

One of the questions of burning interest to the people of North Vancouver is the railway question. I think one of the most remarkable things in the history of Canada is that North Vancouver should have grown up to this extent without any railway connections. This is one of the reasons why I advocated additional subscriptions to the Second Narrows bridge project. It certainly, however, would not be wise for this city in the light of the experience of Vancouver and other cities to give away all its public privileges for the sake of getting its railways a little more speedily than it would get them otherwise.

"Before leaving here in January I received advice that the C. P. R. had made application to have the route map approved. This map which the C. P. R. filed was for a route to come from this side of Port Moody to an indefinite point about half way between here and Point Atkinson. I asked for further information in this connection but could get none. I also received from this district certain communications the distributing and delivery of your letters from public bodies." Mr. Stevens at this point read aloud the letters referred to.

"I think you will agree with me," he continued "that there were not sufficient grounds on which to approve of that route map. It should be borne in mind that the C. P. R. would have complete control of your foreshore from somewhere near Point Atkinson to Port Moody. There was no provision for street ends. You would be in exactly the same position as the people are in Vancouver today. This was because their route map was approved by the Dominion government. Undoubtedly the railway commission would have given the city crossings, but these would have had to be maintained by the city. Not only would the C. P. R. have had this control, but it would also have control freight along the waterfront.

"Another point of grave importance is that the route map of the C. P. R shows the road to be on a level lower than the approach of the Second Narrows bridge. If this map had been approved and the bridge was 40 feet higher than the C. P. R's. grade, the company would have said it was a physical impossibility to connect. I contend that the C. P. R. should provide for this.

"Another matter is this—that in order that the harbor commission should be a success it is necessary that every foot of waterfront should be under the control of the commission. If that board has in connection with its organization a railway system, the C. P. R. should be compelled to connect with that system That is the most important point in my estimation. The greatest difficulty today in connection with harbor development in Vancouver is the position occupied by the C. P. R. They own two-thirds of the foreshore in False Creek, from Coal Harbor to the G. T. P. wharf. They own and control the greater part of the revenue producing section of the waterfront. And the first question a harbor commission should ask itself is 'Where is the revenue coming from?' Why duplicate this situation on the North Shore? How is the question to be answered?

"I asked Sir Thomas Shaughnessy whether the C. P. R. would be willing to co-operate with the harbor commission, and he said quite frankly that the company would not. 'We have the strategic position,' he said. I am not blaming them or in any way attacking the C. P. R. This is simply the result of the policy they laid down thirty years ago."

Mr. Stevens proceeded to summarise the proceedings which attended the visit of Mayor McNeish and Reeve May to Ottawa. "Subsequent to this," he said, "I went to Montreal to consult

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FOURTH STREET TO BE WIDENED EAST AND WEST

The city council last night decided that work should be gone ahead with in connection with the widening of 4th street. The acting engineer was authorized to take the necessary steps to this end. The street is to be widened from Forbes avenue to St. David's avenue, to a uniform width of 100 feet, the work to be done on a local improvement basis. The estimated cost of the undertaking is $40,000 and the city purposes assessing the final cost upon the property benefitted.

ILLUSTRATED LECTURE

On Monday next Rev. J. A. Gillam late of Slocan, B. C., will deliver his illustrated lecture on "Scotland" in the North Lonsdale Presbyterian church cor 27th and Chesterfield avenue, at 8 p.m. Mr. Gillam is brother to Rev. J. D. Gillam, this city, and is pronounced an able lecturer, so that an enjoyable time is anticipated. Tickets are 25c each and the proceeds are to be devoted to the building fund.

LONSDALE THEATRE

Next week the Golden Le-Paige Co. will present for the first time in stock a screaming farce entitled "Snowball" This piece was performed at Terry's theatre, London, where it enjoyed a very long run. It is replete with droll situations and sparkling witticisms and doubtless will prove a capital vehicle for the company. Saturday night of this week the members of the McGill university will attend in a body to witness a special performance of that delightful comedy "Our Boys" in which the company scored so heavily several weeks ago. This will give an opportunity to those who missed the previous performances to see the most enjoyable comedy ever written. That it is repeated by special request is evidence of the splendid manner in which the Golden Le-Paige Co. presented the piece before.

Ferry Directors and Safety of Public

MANAGER DETAILS PRECAUTIONS ALREADY TAKEN AND IS AUTHORIZED TO TAKE MORE

That the present ferry directorate is resolutely determined to safeguard to the very fullest extent the lives of passengers on the boats under its control was emphatically demonstrated at the board's regular meeting yesterday afternoon. Mr. H. C. Wright introduced the important topic with a reference to the Atlantic disaster which has recently appalled the entire civilized world. He considered that in the light of such a calamity as this, it behooved a board such as themselves, since they were daily responsible for the safety of a great number of lives, to adopt an even better system than they had today. "I think,' said Mr. Wright, "that we ought to see to it that each boat is equipped with sufficient apparatus to save the lives of everyone on board."

Capt. Cates, while concurring in this pointed out that thte boats carried four life rafts over and above what the government calls for. "They are not too many,' added the captain. "The point I mean is that the government cannot hold us responsible so long as we comply with regulations."

Mr. Wright thought they should not only consider what the regulations demanded, but that they should heed what their own commonsense dictated.

Manager Heard informed the board that while the boats were expected to carry four life boats, they carried five. Number 3 ferry carried eight life rafts, each constructed to carry a ton dead weight. Each life preserver would support a weight of 15 lbs. Number three was licenced to carry 900 passengers, and she was equipped with 925 life preservers. "We exceed by a considerable margin at the present time," said the manager the requirements of the government." Life rafts he contended, were better than life boats. One man could launch them and they would accommodate a great many more souls. Mr. Wright therefore moved that the manager be instructed to make all the life saving precautions that are possible on the boats; also that he be authorized to get eight more life rafts, four for each boat. This motion, duly seconded, was carried unanimously.

A letter emanated from Solicitor R. L. Reid on the subject of the recent Le Duc action. "In this case," wrote Mr. Reid, "the whole facts as given by Mr. Le Duc and Mr. Heard were put before the court. I was of the opinion that the facts so proven did not constitute a case of action against the company and moved for a non-suit which was refused. It was useless to call further evidence, as the facts which I could prove on the defence had been proven on behalf of the plaintiff. The verdict of the jury as it gives the plaintiff the value of the horses necessarily means that the course of action on which you have been condemned was the non-closing of the gates, and I am of the opinion that this is quite properly a case which should be appealed to the court of appeal."

In view of this the board resolved that the solicitor should go ahead with the proceedings relative to the appeal.

On Mr. Reid's suggestion it was also decided that a letter should be written to the Imperial Oil Company on the subject of connecting the ferry company's pipe with the pipe line of the oil company on the Vancouver wharf for a period of ten years.

Manager Heard suggested that in case of fire on the boats he should have installed an electric bell in the engine room with wires connecting with all hydrants. The suggestion was formally adopted.

Mr. Heard was further authorized, on the suggestion of Mr. Gladwin, to secure two additional deck hands on holidays, Sundays or whenever he deems extra help necessary.

The manager thought the number two boat would be off the ways Thursday night and would be in service today if possible.

Additional Grant to Municipal Bridge Over Second Narrows

BY-LAW WILL BE PROPOSED TO RAISE $150,000

COUNCILLOR WESTOVER AND TELEPHONE SYSTEM FOR LYNN VALLEY

"After hearing Mr. Stevens' speech on Tuesday night," said Councillor Bridgman at last evening's session of the district council, "and after learning the government's attitude towards the project of the Burrard Inlet Tunnel and Bridge Company, I think we should make the bridge bylaw to raise the sum of $150,000 instead of $125,000. If the city will make their bylaw for $100,000 and West Vancouver $25,000, this will bring us up to the required 25 per cent. of the capital stock in the company, which I believe it is very advisable we should have. I therefore, move that the clerk be instructed to prepare the bylaw for $150,000."

The motion was carried on the seconding of Coun. Westover.

With Reeve May presiding and Coun. Loutet the only absentee, the council attended to a good deal of business in a short time. Included in a smaller pile of correspondence than usual was a letter from Mr. J. P. Crawford relating to the bridge to be constructed over Lynn Canyon. Accompanied by plan and specifications, the letter stated that Mr. Crawford agreed to build a bridge constructed of best steel under the direction of the district engineer. The cost of the bridge would be about $1,300 more or less, and would be kept in perfect repair at all times. Mr. Crawford asked for a lease of sufficient ground at either end for building purposes which lease he proposed should cover a period of 25 years. Also he sought the refreshment privileges of Lynn Valley on such terms as the council might approve, the stands erected to be also under the council's direction.

The letter further agreed that on the termination of the leases the bridge and all buildings should become the property of the district. If the above requests were granted, the bridge would be constructed by July 1st, 1912, in accordance with the plans and specifications.

The matter was referred to committee of the whole. Settlement of the question was, however, deferred until an early date.

A cluster of ratepayers forwarded suggestions for the improvement of King street. They recommended that a sidewalk be laid in the north side of the street two blocks from Lonsdal avenue and that the street be graded and macadamised for the same distance. Their letter was referred to the board of works.

Coun. Ward mentioned that rumor had reached him that the granite quarries of Deep Cove were taking rock from the public roadway. The engineer was instructed to investigate and report.

Coun. Westover then introduced a topic of considerable importance to the Valley. "The people here," he said, "have for some time been asking for a telephone system. Nothing has so far been done, and I move, therefore, that the clerk be instructed to write to the telephone company asking the reason for delaying the installation of a system in Lynn Valley."

The motion was formally seconded and carried, to the accompaniment of a loud "Hear hear" from the auditorium.

The following firms submitted tenders for the construction of Woodlands wharf: Vancouver Pile Driving and Contracting Co., $1,200; Mackenzie, Broadfoot and Johnson, $1,848; McPherson and Armytage, $950. The last named was accepted.

Reeve May was delegated to attend the joint conference to be held on May 1st in the city hall of Vancouver.

John Alexander and Co. wrote calling the council's attention to a small portion of the main road between Capilano road and the west end of Robson road which had not been touched by the repair gang recently engaged on this work. The letter was handed over to the Board of Works.

Like treatment was accorded two other letters, one from C. E. Rae asking for a road to property in D. L. 617, block 15, lots 7-16, and the other from T. H. Butler and R. D. Thomas seeking a road into property on lots 12 and 10, blocks 1 and 2, subdivision 2023, in the rear of Harold road near Allan road.

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Local Resident Gored by Angry Cow

Mr. Joseph Fenner While Warning Children is Savagely Attacked

A statement one frequently hears ridiculed, despite numerous demonstrations of its truth, is that which claims that cows and other cattle are liable to show anger in the presence of a red object. On Wednesday evening in this city the theory was once again exemplified with very grave results.

It appears that a cluster of kiddies were playing around in the vicinity of Mr. Alexander Philip's home on 2nd street west, and it is said that one of these children was wearing a scarlet-colored garment. A cow belonging to Mr. Philip and occupying at the time a lot situated between its owner's residence and that of Mr. Joseph Fenner became annoyed and showed signs of attacking the youngsters. This fact was noticed by Mr. Fenner, who is secretary of the local Yacht Club, and well known, both in this city and across the Inlet, and he thought it advisable to warn the innocents of their danger. While he was hustling them away, however, the cow turned round and made for him. Mr. Fenner was thrown down and badly gored. Fortunately assistance was at hand and he was taken immediately to the Harbor View Sanatorium where it was found he had sustained an abdominal wound six inches in length and also an injury to one of his legs. He was immediately attended to medically and is reported to be progressing favorably.

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NORTH VANCOUVER

H. H. STEVENS, M.P. ON LOCAL PROBLEMS

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Sir Thomas Shaughnessy. He agreed with me that the position I had taken was absolutely correct. He said to me 'As far as we are concerned, we are in no particular rush to get into North Vancouver.' The intention of the C. P. R. is clearly only to anticipate other roads. They wish to hold the 'strategic position.' There was no secret made of this by Sir Thomas. They merely want the right to build in order to keep ahead of rival companies.

"I think that when Mr. McBride announced his railway policy that the C. P. R. at once noticed that it was up to them to take some step. This was in view of nothing else. They have not as yet agreed to start or complete construction in any specified time. The authorities in Vancouver have never been asked to report on the map.

"You will have railroad connection in North Vancouver," Mr. Stevens declared, "just so soon as the Second Narrows bridge is completed, for that is the logical entrance to North Vancouver and when a public bridge is planned what company would go to the expense of building across the North Arm? It is the duty of the public bodies here, in Vancouver and Burnaby to take up the matter seriously as a public question. There is a feeling in various parts that there is something radically wrong in connection with this bridge. As a matter of fact there is not sufficient public spirit being thrown into the enterprise. Too much is being left to the provisional directors. That bridge must be a publicly controlled structure and not in the control of any private body. Either get the bridge out of the road or get busy and have it constructed.

"There is under consideration at the present time an amalgamation of certain interests which will give you a line from North Vancouver into the Peace River country. It will be an independent line, and that is what you want here.

"The trunk roads control a little too many of our branch lines. Branch lines are often constructed to occupy districts rather than to serve districts. People do not sufficiently appreciate the value of a line into the Peace River country. It will open up a district which will naturally send business this way. It will open up a district capable of producing more wheat than the whole of Canada outside that district. The Peace River colony is in the position that Saskatchewan was eight years ago."

After emphasizing the inestimable value of the Peace River region, Mr. Stevens turned his attention to harbor matters.

"Mr. Swan," he said, "had made a report and has submitted his scheme and while I am not at liberty to give you details as yet, I can say that it entails an excellent scheme to be carried out unit by unit, and the first of these units I hope to see started this year with the sum of $500,000 provided. North Vancouver has by no means been lost sight of in this scheme. The difficulty in carrying out harbor improvements is that most of the waterfront in North Vancouver is held by private individuals at exorbitant prices. Some waterfrontage here is being held at $1,000 a foot, a price absolutely unjustifiable since there are no industries and docks to effect this value. And there industries and docks will never come so long as this condition of things continues. In conversation with Mr. Nash of the Royal Mail Steamer Packet Co., which controls by far the largest fleet of steamers in the world, that gentleman told me that he was here recently looking for sites with a view to establishing a base for the Panama Canal trade, but it was absolutely impossible for his company to purchase dock sites at the high prices demanded, and he feared his firm would have to go to San Francisco."

"Let 'em go," shouted some one in the rear of the hall.

"I can tell you one thing, my friend," retorted Mr. Stevens, "and that is that no amount of 'let 'em go-s' will build up North Vancouver."

The member then suggested that the harbor board might be worked in the manner of a port trust and that control should lie between the municipalities and the two governments. He again urged a greater manifestation of public spirit.

"I think a great many will have to shave their estimates of waterfront property. Otherwise development will be retarded. The government has made an appropriation of $500,000 to apply this year to harbor development and we hope to commence the first unit of Mr. Swan's scheme on these finances. I again ask for more public spirit and less private grab."

In relation to the drill hall, Mr. Stevens stated that he had tried to get $50,000 or $75,000, but as organization had not yet been completed here he had only been successful in securing a grant of $25,000. This would be added to, whenever conditions warranted.

"As to the post office," the member continued, "the government expected when they appointed their arbitrator that the price submitted by the city when negotiations were first begun would be the basis of this arbitration. That appointment was made by them to ascertain if this price was a fair one. I urge the electors, when voting on this sale, to consider this matter as simply a change of this site from one public body to another.

"In conclusion, I strongly recommend the city to make provision at this time for an area at the top of the hill which can later be utilized for public buildings, municipal and Dominion. Let the buildings be of a type representative of the present day. Don't

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Shiloh's Cure

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KLONDIKE TODAY

The Empire Club of Toronto was addressed last week by Mr. Justice Craig of the Yukon district, on the topic "The Present Conditions and Future Prospects of the Yukon."

Before the address, a communication was read from Col. Lowther, secretary to the Duke of Connaught, intimating that His Royal Highness would be the guest of the club on Empire Day. The communication was received with a round of applause.

The speaker pointed out that Klondike camp had produced more gold in proportion of area than any other placer camp—85 feet having produced $1,000,000. In one year $22,000,000 was produced, on which royalty was paid, but to this should be added another $10,000,000 on which royalty was never paid. Mining in Klondike today was different from what is used to be. For merely, unless mining claims produced $30 per yard, they were not worked. Now they were worked if they showed 75 cents per yard, showing the wasteful methods of the early mining.

Dawson in 1900 had a population of 30,000, today it had only 2,500, owing to the two large gold companies taking in hand almost all the claims.

"Whole streets of houses are now standing empty," he said.

Taking up the question of quartz claims, only two mines carry on systematic operation, and are showing very promising results.

In closing his honor made the suggestion that the government take decisive steps to prevent wild-cat mining, and to secure a competent geologist and mining authority to advise prospectors of the best development processes and also to the value of their finds.

ART IN CANADA

A contributor to "T. P's." Weekly who says that he is a Scotsman of two years' residence in Canada in various cities, declares roundly that "in the Dominion Art (painting) lags far behind that of other countries, even in the so called artistic circles, while nothing further removed from an artistic atmosphere than the average mind of the Canadian citzen can be adequately conceived. He holds that for so young a country Canada has fully justified herself in literary accomplishments, but painting and sculpture are practically non-existant. He compliments the followers of art in Montreal on the erection of a very fine art gallery, but he cannot accept this as a criterion to the inclinations of the Canadian people. He urges that the true lovers of art should organize and endeavor to create a more widespread interest in first class work. He fully realizes the engrossment of the people in material affairs, a condition inevitable is so new a country full of so great promise. He reflects that "Rome was not built in a day," and believes that many generations will pass before art will reign in Canada as it does across the Atlantic. To attempt to distract public attention from the absorbing occupations of this great Dominion is like the voice of one crying in the wilderness. Still, that voice must be raised, and if the few who know and love Art remain silent, society will be deprived of one of its most enobling influences, and the truest and best development of civilization will be long delayed.

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

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

W. W. CORY,
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H. H. STEVENS, M.P. ON LOCAL PROBLEMS

Continued from page two

let them be packing cases with holes in them, and called offices. Let the people forget for a while the idea of making money by buying up land and selling it later at big increases. Materialism and commercialism are good, but I think they can be carried a little too far. I would like to see erected some buildings of which the whole Dominion may be justly proud."

Mr. Stevens, after speaking an hour and fifteen minutes, returned to his seat to the accompaniment of loud applause.

Mr. J. P. Fell, in the course of a brief speech, said the Burrard Inlet, Tunnel and Bridge Co. was to be controlled by public bodies and as soon as the municipalities are in a position to take it over the provisional directors will withdraw. "The trouble we are up against," said Mr. Fell, "is that the expenses of the bridge are greater than we anticipated. There has also been delay in the municipalities and governments in coming through with funds to provide for this extra expense." He wished it understood that the company was not promoted for private gain.

Mr. Stevens said the responsibility rested with the people. He commended the provisional directorate for their work, but considered it was time the municipalities were taking hold of the question themselves. He suggested that to obviate so many changes in the provisional board, each public body might appoint some one to represent it in continuity.

Reeve May expressed the hope that the municipalities would get shoulder to shoulder in order to make this bridge an accomplished fact. In regard to street ends he did not understand why there should be any anxiety when the city had all street ends crown granted. He did not think that the C. P. R. could take one foot of their street ends. The reeve considered there was room for negotiations with the C. P. R. so far as connecting up with the bridge was concerned.

Ex Reeve McNaught briefly reviewed the history of the B. I. T. & B. Co. from its inception. The municipalities were, he said, the owners of all the stock in the company. The bridge at the present time was pretty well financed. The promotors did not own anything. They were merely trustees to manage it pro tem. He believed they had the last word in bridge construction in the plans of this bridge.

Mr. G. H. Morden mentioned that there seemed to be some lingering doubt in the public mind as to this being a municipally owned company. Quite sufficient reasons had been advanced to show that the company was publicly owned. There was one reason for the remaining of the provisional board of directors which had not yet been mentioned, namely that he understood that the law required that the provisional directors must remain in office until a certain proportion of the capital stock of the company had been subscribed and paid up.

Reeve May had endorsed this statement saying that the proportion was 25 per cent. of the capital stock subscribed and paid up.

Mr. Morden, resuming, said, therefore that if the provisional board wished to retire, they were unable to do until this condition was complied with. While the municipalities were in control of the company in fact, because it had been declared time and again that the provisional board were merely trustees of the public, if these municipalities desired to assume legal control they must comply with the provisions of the railway act.

The meeting terminated with a cordial vote of thanks to Mr. Stevens.

MANUAL TRAINING SCHOOL TO BE ORGANIZED

The Board of School Trustees has changed the scene of its meetings from the Central school on Fourth and Chesterfield to the newly opened school on Ridgeway avenue. All the members save Mr. M. S. McDowell, convened there on Wednesday afternoon, Mr. A. G. Perry presiding.

The meeting was held for the purpose of conferring with Mr. Harry Dunnell, inspector of manual training schools, on matters relating to the establishment of a manual training school in this city.

Mr. Dunnell fully detailed the requirements necessary to the proper organization of such a school and submitted a schedule of benches and tools essential for a class of 24 pupils.

On the motion of Ald. Fraser, it was decided that the secretary be instructed to order the benches and tools in accordance with the schedule.

The board also considered the appointment of a manual training instructor, and after deliberation awarded the appointment to Mr. Albert Wooldridge of Victoria, whose experience in this branch of teaching qualifies him to undertake these duties at this initial stage.

Consideration was also given to Wright, Cradock and Co's. offer of lots 13, 14 and 15, in block 4, D. L. 616, for a school site, and it was decided that the way was not at present clear to acquire this property.

It was reported by Mr. Perry that children from the district of D. L. 553 were now attending Ridgeway school.

Mr. Morden moved that the secretary be instructed to write to Principal Bennett asking him to compile a list of the names of all children non-resident in the city who are enrolled as pupils attending the Ridgeway school. This was seconded and carried.

Mr. Perry further reported that the finance committee of the city council desired that a resolution be passed authorizing the chairman of the buildings and grounds committee to certify disbursement warrants before they instructed their treasurer to issue payment. On the motion of Mr. Morden, it was resolved that the chairman of this committee be so authorized.

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North Vancouver, B. C.....April 26, 1912

MUNICIPAL OWNERSHIP OF SECOND NARROWS BRIDGE

All well-informed citizens of the North Shore who were present at the meeting called by the Board of Trade on Tuesday evening, to listen to the address of H. H. Stevens, M.P., were greatly surprised when the intimation was made that there still lingered in certain quarters, a disinclination to accord acceptance to the fact that Burrard Inlet Tunnel and Bridge Company is a corporation, owned and controlled by the respective municipalities which have become stockholders in the company. The local public have long since arrived at an accurate understanding of the situation and are well aware of the fact that there is nothing whatever in that situation which is in any way irreconcilable with the fact that Burrard Inlet Tunnel and Bridge Company is a municipally owned company in the strictest sense of the term. The fact that the provisional board of directors is still in office, creates no uncertainty or confusion in the mind of any well informed citizen in this regard. It is well understood that certain private citizens were sufficiently enterprising to take hold of the proposition to give their time and attention and to put up their own money in order to secure the incorporation of Burrard Inlet Tunnel and Bridge Company in the initial stages of the movement, when it would have been impossible to secure concerted action for the purpose upon the part of the municipalities. From the very inception of the proceedings, these gentlemen publicly declared that they were undertaking the matter, not as a private enterprise, but in the public interests. Upon almost every suitable occasion they have openly declared in the most unmistakeable language that they are acting as trustees for the public and further that they would be found quite willing to relinquish their positions on the Board just as soon as the municipalities made it possible for them to do so. The local public likewise fully appreciate the fact that they have the public spirit and the ability of the members of the provisional board to thank for the fact that the affairs of Burrard Inlet Tunnel and Bridge Company have been conducted in a manner which has scored conspicuous success, all along the line and that the whole intricate problem has been solved in all its phases This has not been accomplished in a day, neither has it been all plain sailing. The proposition was beset with many difficulties and developed many delicate situations, to meet which required persistence, patience, time and ability. The provisional board has splendidly responded to all the requirements, at all times, and so signally successful has their administration proven that every detail of the entire problem has been worked out to a point at which is all that is left to accomplish is to secure the small remaining portion of the large sum of money that will be required for actual construction.

Under the circumstances, it cannot but be difficult for well informed citizens locally, to understand how there can be the slightest hesitancy upon the part of the members at Ottawa to accept the fact that Burrard Inlet Tunnel and Bridge Company is a bona fide municipally owned company, in every sense of the term. To begin with, the fyles of the Department of Railways contain a legally attested document, duly signed by the members of the provisional board, declaring that they hold their office in trust for the various municipalities which may purchase shares in the capital stock of the company. Further than this, the fact that the provisional board remains in office should not at all confuse the matter in the mind of members of Parliament, because an ordinary working familiarity with the Railway Act itself, will fully explain just why this is the case. The Railway Act provides that in no case shall the provisional board of directors of any company or any member of that board, be allowed to retire from office until twenty-five per cent. of the capital stock of the company has been subscribed and paid up. Now, although five or six municipalities have passed the necessary bylaws and have subscribed for shares in Burrard Inlet Tunnel and Bridge Company, there has not yet been actually paid into the treasury of the company a sum of money equal to twenty-five per cent. of the capital stock thereof. Until this is done, it would not be possible, under the Railway Act, for the members of the provisional board to retire.

But even were the way clear for the appointment of a board of directors, composed of representatives of the respective municipalities, which are shareholders in the company, the advisability of making any extensive change in the board in charge of the company's affairs just at this juncture, would call for very serious consideration, before any such steps were taken. The members of the present board are fully conversant with every minute detail of the affairs of the Company, from the first hour when the incorporation of Burrard Inlet Tunnel and Bridge Company was proposed down to the present. It is only reasonable to conclude that a new board whose members were to a great extent ignorant of those matters, could not hope to give an administration, so advantageous to the interests to be served as would be given by those who have been in charge from the beginning.

Added to this, the constitution of a board composed of members of the several councils, might break that continuity of representation and of policy which is essential at the present time to the consummation of the work already accomplished, inasmuch as such changes as might transpire in the personnel of the several councils might also necessitate corresponding changes in the membership of the Board of Directors.

All things considered, it is safe to conclude, that not only is a change in the personnel of the Board not necessary in order to establish beyond question the actuality of public ownership and control of Burrard Inlet Tunnel and Bridge Company, but the probabilities are so strong as to amount to practical certainty that any movement to disturb existing conditions in this important regard at present would prove detrimental to those public interests in the matter of Second Narrows bridge which all desire to see prosper to the utmost possible degree.

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MURRAY CLIFF.
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GEORGE VERDIER, Agent.

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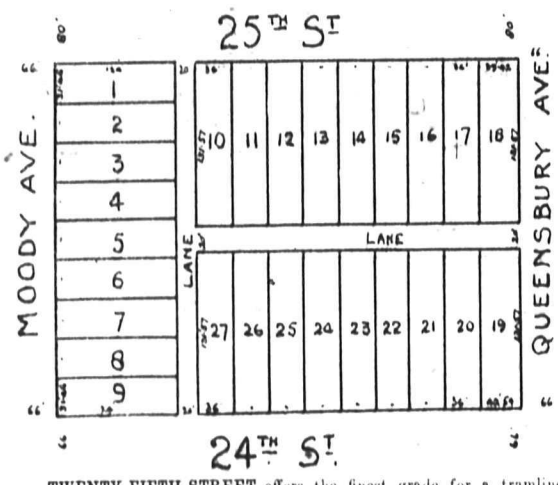

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Whitfield Found Guilty of Blowing Up Shack

North Vancouver Shooting Affray Case Heard in Vancouver

Jesse Whitfield, a colored man, was found guilty in the assize court, Vancouver, yesterday of blowing up the shack of Claude Hale, another colored man, at North Vancouver, with intent to do him grievous bodily harm. The evidence showed that on the morning of March 25, an explosion occurred in a small house occupied by Hale at the corner of Chesterfield avenue and 4th street. Suspicion fell upon Whitfield, who was said to have made threats and to be jealous of Hale. The police went straight to Whitfield's house and saw someone running across the sidewalk and into the bush that they believed to be Whitfield. He was afterwards placed under arrest, and to Chief of Police Davies he made a statement to the effect that he had placed the powder which had blown up Hale's shack, but he had not meant to hurt him. He only wished to give him "a good scare."

It further developed that Hale was laid up with a broken leg at the time, and a colored girl staying with the Whitfields used to go to his shack to clean up and cook for him. Mrs. Whitfield would go down with her, and it appeared that Whitfield became jealous and resolved to put a stop to it. He placed his powder and fuse accordingly and about one o'clock in the morning it exploded. It tore up the floor of the shack, and the rocks blown up from underneath were lodged in the ceiling, but Hale was untouched.

Whitfield had no counsel, nor did he have any definite statement to make in his own defence. As he was unrepresented, Mr. A. D. Taylor, K.C., crown prosecutor, did not address the jury against him, while Mr. Justice Gregory also protected his interests in examination.

No sooner was Whitfield found guilty and remanded for trial till the end of the assizes, than another North Vancouver case was called. It was that of David Greenwood, charged with shooting with intent to kill Marcus Grogum in a shack on Mahon avenue an January 24.

As developed from the evidence it seemed that Greenwood, Grogum and a young man named Lang had been drinking together in the shack that night. Just how the shooting occurred was not very definite, but late at night the police were called and Grogum was found lying on the floor with a bullet wound in his neck. He charged Greenwood with the shooting. Dr. McMane, who was called, stated that it was a wonder that Grogum escaped with his life, as the wound was near the jugular vein and among a network of arteries.

License Board Refuses to Grant Bottle License

Allow Withdrawal of Other Application

Mayor McNeish yesterday presided over a session of the Board of Licencing Commissioners which not only granted withdrawal of the application for a bottle and liquor licence of Mr. W. Booth, but also placed on record its refusal of a similar application from Mr. J. B. Teevens.

The proposal of Prof. Macnaghten that a plebiscite be taken of the Gothenberg system of operating a bottle liquor licence in this city, namely that all proceeds above 5 per cent. be devoted to some public institution, as against an individual granted licence, was made the subject for an adjourned meeting which will be held on Friday afternoon at 4 o'clock. With the mayor in the chair, the full board Commissioner Biss and McKenzie, were present. The first application to be heard was that of Mr. Booth, who was represented by S. D. Schultz. The clerk reported that the petition containing the signatures was not in order and on the request of Mr. Schultz he was permitted to withdraw which gives him an opportunity of again petitioning this year's board for a licence.

Mr. J. B. Teevens was legally represented by Mr. McDonald. This petition, according to the clerk's report, was found to be in order. Objection was raised by Mr. Schultz that there was nothing to show that the petition was bona fide and also dates were not shown when some of the signatures were obtained. Mr. McDonald pointed out that the act presumed that the signatures are in order until absolute proof to the contrary is produced. Mr. C. N. Haney presented a petition bearing 243 signatures opposing the granting of the application. Mr. M. B. Martinson said that he had made a personal canvas of block 166 at the time it was canvassed by Mr. Teevens and he found that some of the wives of owners whose signatures appeared on the petition were not known in that block. Also, of the four women entitled to sign the petition on the south side of First street in block 166 two had signed and two had refused. Mr. Booth said he had been approached in the bar of the Palace hotel with this petition to sign.

Commissioner Biss declared that there seemed to be something mysterious about the petition, and when he supported a petition, for a bottle licence in this city he must be convinced that the application and the manner in which the petition was signed was straight and above board. He moved accordingly that the application be refused. It was seconded by Commissioner Mackenzie. Mr. Teeven's legal adviser said it appeared like a reflection on Mr. Teevens' character and he pointed out in the petition that 1702 people, as against 243 persons who had signed against the granting of this licence, had in affixing their signatures done so believing the applicant of good character. The board was asked to allow a withdrawal but this was also refused.

Mr. Macnaghten's proposal was then brought up and the mayor read Solicit or Reid's advice that under the act a bylaw could not be submitted except at the annual elections. The question then arose if the board could of its own right submit a plebiscite to the people to ascertain the popular feeling. The meeting was adjourned to Friday in order to obtain the city solicitor's advice.

Interesting Locals

Miss O'Sullivan is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Green of 17th street west for a few days.

The Misses West of 6th and Queensbury have left this city on holiday to northwest territory relatives.

Rev. C. R. Blunder, former minister of the First Baptist church in this city, will preach in the Baptist church on Sunday evening at 7.30.

The council last night accepted Evans Coleman and Evans' tender of $1.83 per foot for 5,000 feet of steel piping to be used for city waterworks purposes.

Ald. Irwin was last night appointed by the city council to the chairmanship of the finance committee in the stead of Ald. McRae, resigned. Ald. Irwin's seat on the committee has not been as yet filled.

Captain and Mrs. Smith of No. 2 fire hall, Cedar Cottage, are being congratulated by their friends on the birth of a daughter, who has the distinction of being the first to be born in a fire hall on the Pacific coast.

About thirty fowls were destroyed an Wednesday night by dogs. This wholesale massacre took place in the vicinity of 14th street and Lonsdale avenue. No clue has been discovered that will lead to the arrest of the canine of fenders.

Not only according to the advt., but according to all those competent to judge, there will be "laughs, long laughs" at the Horticultural hall to night, when the two comedies "Old Cronies" and "The Area Belle" are put on. The North Lonsdale orchestra will be in attendance and as the proceeds are for the organ fund of St. Thomas' church, it is only reasonable to expect a full house. It is certain to deserve one.

Mr. J. Stephen terminates his appointment as manager of the Bank of British North America in this city in ten days' time, when he leaves for West Toronto. In the manufacturing section of this great city Mr. Stephen is to take over the reins of manager ship of the B. N. A. branch. The good wishes of his North Vancouver friends will follow him east. He will be succeeded at the local branch by Mr. Robertson of Victoria.

George Karnopp, who was recently arrested on a charge of obtaining money on false pretences, was examined yesterday afternoon by Drs. Thomson and McMane as to his sanity, and was adjudged insane. He was taken over to the asylum in New Westminster last evening by Chief Lifton and Assistant Douglas. Karnopp, who is said to have a father a minister in Chicago and a brother a doctor in Calgary, was charged with issuing worthless cheques on the Imperial Bank of Vancouver. His case was adjourned to Friday to get witnesses, but since he was taken into custody he has shown symptoms of mental disintegration. His condition grew worse yesterday until it was found necessary to call in medical advice, with the result that he was taken to the asylum in an auto.

WESTON—SHERWOOD

On April 17th the wedding took place in St. John's church, North Vancouver, of William Walter Weston and Ellen Susan Sherwood. The Rev. J. H. Hooper officiated.

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"The clock wasn't right this morning," Jack was explaining to daddy.

"Very well," said daddy; "I'll have a look at it after you are in bed.

"It's a pity, though, that a little boy should not be as bright as Billy Porter's burro.

"Billy is a little boy who lives in Montclair, N. J., and he has a pet burro, as it is called. The burro is an American donkey.

"Billy's burro is named Daisy, and she is a nice, gentle animal who generally obeys her master and trots along good naturedly.

"Daisy takes Billy to school every day. When he goes in to his lessons the little boy ties her to the hitching post, and Daisy stands quietly until school is out, when her little master again mounts her back, and they trot home to luncheon.

"If the teacher is a bit late in letting the class out Daisy knows it. If Billy should be kept in, dear knows what would happen, for unless he comes promptly Daisy lifts up her voice and brays as only a burro can. It is a very harsh and unpleasant sound.

"In the mornings Daisy sees that Billy gets to school in time by braying loudly if she has to wait at the door.

"Not long ago Billy was sick and stayed home from school two days. Daisy didn't understand. She was puzzled and grieved, for Daisy likes to go to school. So she at last managed to escape from her stable and ambled off to school to wait until lessons were over.

"When Billy's schoolmates came out of school they found Daisy with her nose poked up against the hitching post and her bright eyes watching the door.

"At first the children laughed Then some of Billy's friends tried to start her home. But Daisy knew that it was her business to carry her little master home, and, believing him to be inside the schoolhouse, she would not move.

"Neither coaxing nor beating would make Daisy budge, and at last some one ran to Billy's home to tell about the burro.

"Not till one of Billy's folks came to lead Daisy home would she stir, and then she went very unwillingly and very slowly.

"When Billy was able to go to school again Daisy showed her joy in her pleased eyes and frisky trot. And she held her head right up to the hitching block to be tied to it as usual, although to the minds of most people it would seem scarcely necessary to be a burro who likes to go to school as well as Daisy does."

NORTH VANCOUVER PUBLICITY COMMISSIONER

Office to be on Esplanade West

Mr. Thos. Lawlor, the newly appointed publicity commissioner for this city, on Wednesday afternoon waited upon the joint civic advertising committee and on being formally presented, was accorded a hearty welcome to North Vancouver. Mr. Lawlor intimated to the committee that he was prepared to go ahead with his publicity work on May 6th. The question of an office was introduced and the premises now occupied by Mr. Alexander Philip were selected. These are situated on Esplanade west and possess, in addition to a front office a large hall in the rear capable of seating 150 persons. The rental to be paid is $30 per month.

WEST VANCOUVER ITEMS

The West Vancouver Conservative Association met last evening at the Clahan tea rooms.

In the absence of the president, Mr W. A. Thompson, Mr. J. Teare, vice president, very ably filled the position of chairman. A keen interest seemed to to be taken in things generally and as a plan has been launched which we believe will prove very successful in financing the hall. It is hoped before the winter is here again that a new building will be erected on the lot already purchased, one of which the district will be proud.

Mr. C. O. Hutchinson has commenced work on his contract of building a fine office at the corner of Nelson avenue and Marine Drive for Messrs. Gourlay & Selwood.

Mr. J. L. Cripps has rented his house and lot on Peel street and is moving to his new one on Marine Drive, Irwin Park.

A goodly number went from here to hear Mr. H. H. Stevens address the North Vancouver Board of Trade on Tuesday evening, and certainly were not disappointed. They came home feeling proud that they had such a capable man to represent them in the house of parliament at Ottawa.

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A Fool's Errand

Or an Unexpected Turn of Affairs

By CLARISSA MACKIE.

Hal Marcy watched his cousin from under lowering brows. Dick was standing in the sunny window, his mouth set in grim, obstinate lines.

"Well?" repeated Hal coolly.

"What is it?" growled Dick over his broad shoulder.

"Are you going down to Scarsdale *after what I've told you? Why, Alice* would only laugh in your face!"

Dick turned sharply. "Oh, no, she wouldn't—she's not that sort! She might feel like laughing, but she would hide it well," he ended bitterly.

"Why strain her courtesy, then?" persisted Hal.

"May I ask whether this is my affair or yours?" Dick Corning was white under his tanned skin.

"*It is mine in a measure,*" was Hal's insolent reply. He leisurely drew out a cigarette case and scratched a match on a gold box. He spoke between puffs of blue smoke that wreathed his dark, thin face: "You—know—when—you—mentioned—you—were—going—down to *Scarsdale today I asked you (puff)* if you were going down to see Alice Wilson—and you snapped out—yes—and I knew why by the look of you—there, there, Dicky, don't get hot. We all catch it sooner or later like measles and whooping cough. I had a good reason for advising you not to go down there. It's a fool's errand for you, Dicky, my boy."

"You mean that somebody else"—*Dick's voice choked into silence.*

"It comes pretty near being that," returned Hal somewhat vaguely. Then rather condescendingly he added, "I may as well drop you a hint, Dicky,

'ALICE!' HE GASPED.

boy—even though she may not be for you, you may be able to claim relationship with her some day—see?"

Dick Corning's eyes blazed menacingly, and his big hands clinched tightly. His lips writhed into a strange smile that was half a sneer.

"You mean that I may marry Alice's cousin May and thus become her cousin-in-law?" he asked.

Hal Marcy winced. "No, I didn't mean that, and you know it too. I meant that the relationship would be *on the other side of the house.*"

"Oh, you mean that you expect to marry May and we will be related to Alice Wilson in that manner. Shall I congratulate you, old man?" Dick's gray eyes pierced the veneer of good nature that had covered his cousin's attitude.

"Quit your fooling, Dick," snarled Hal, flinging away his cigarette and preparing another. "I can tell you one thing."

"You have told me so many this morning I am tempted to forego any further infringement on your"—

"If you go down to see Alice Wilson today you'll be making the mistake of your life. You'll be making a fool of *yourself.* Believe me that I have a good reason for saying this."

Dick picked up his hat, smoothed the creases in the soft brim and settled it on his fair head. "You've butted into my affairs today in an unpardonable manner. I have simply to say that I am quite willing to bear any mortification that my harmless actions may bring upon me."

As he closed the door he heard Hal's *impatient voice sending after him:*

"Fool's errand."

"I'll do it just the same," gritted Dick through his set teeth, and his keen eyes had a vision then of beautiful Alice Wilson telling him with tearful, pitying eyes that she loved his cousin Hal Marcy and that she would be a cousin to him forever.

"I'll be blanked if she will!" cried Dick as he drove through the crisp, cool air. "If she won't (and I know she won't have a duffer like me) I shall go around the world, and when I find a good place in which to forget her I'll stay there, only I know I'll never find such a place," he ended forlornly.

He was fiercely jealous of Hal Marcy. Hal was several years his senior and of a domineering character. Dick had fallen desperately in love with Alice Wilson the year before while Hal was in Europe, but Hal had suddenly returned three months ago and, with his customary overbearing manner, had hustled his cousin off the field and immediately laid open siege to Alice's heart. Dick, astonished and quite diffident in the presence of an *overpowering love, had allowed* himself to be pushed aside until now he found it almost impossible to regain the ground he had lost.

Alice treated him with sweet friendliness that was maddening as well as disheartening. All the sweet, gay intimacy of their friendship was gone. He seemed to be numbered among a host of unimportant admirers who worshiped Alice from afar, while the *intrepid Hal Marcy stepped boldly* forward and openly admitted that there was an "understanding" between Alice Wilson and himself. To all hints and innuendoes the lovely Alice turned the point of her wit to excellent effect.

Five weeks had elapsed since Dick had ventured near Scarsdale, where Alice lived. At his elaborately careless remark that he thought he would drive down that way his cousin had been quick to sting him with the remark that if he was going down to see Miss Wilson his errand would be in vain.

But Dick Corning's lips were set in that obstinate curve that few had ever seen and none had understood because there had been so few things in this world that he had had to fight for. Most everything had come to him easily, but now this greatest boon, the love of a good, fair woman, was to be denied him. She was to be Hal's, *and Hal was a bounder.*

Dick was going to put the question to her just the same. His attentions to her had been so marked in the past that he felt that he owed it to her to ask the all important question. That she would refuse him he had not the slightest doubt. It would be done gently, but convincingly, with perhaps a hint at some cousinly relationship in the future, after she should be married to Hal. He routed out a time table, and, with one hand on the steering wheel of the car, he studied the trains from town and mentally compared the running time with the departure of certain Pacific liners due to sail from San Francisco in six days.

"I'll get down there at 3, drink tea at 4 and, if she is alone, ask her! It will take her about ten minutes to turn me down, including the cousinly advice and all that. Then I can run back to town by 5:30, catch the 7:10 for the *west and connect with the Kamkatscha* at San Francisco on Saturday. No wedding bells for you, Dicky, my boy!"

His mind attuned to these gloomy reflections and with a drab future carefully outlined, Dick Corning was somewhat taken aback at Alice Wilson's greeting. She was a Dresden china sort of beauty, all pink and white, with soft blue eyes and hair the color of *ripe corn silk. She wore some little* soft, clinging gown of pale blue with a pink rose tucked in her breast, and all the pretty color faded from her cheeks as her hand was lost in Dick's big, warm grasp.

"Where is Hal?" she asked, as she sat down behind the tea table.

Dick's face clouded slightly. "I suppose he will be down later. I came by myself, on my own errand," he ended gruffly. He accepted a cup of tea and dropped lump after lump of sugar into its pale depths before he realized what he was doing.

"On your own errand?" repeated Alice, fussing among the teacups.

"Yes, a fool's errand," returned Dick *unhappily.*

"If it is a fool's errand, why do you come?" Alice's voice shook slightly and her long lashes were laid against the shell pink of her cheek.

"I had to—a fool and his errand are soon parted," Dick grinned miserably and replaced his untasted tea on the table. He leaned across the slender legged table, menacing the fragile china.

"Alice!" he gasped.

"Well?" Her eyes were downcast, and her fingers had ceased to flutter. She was very still and now very much like a sweet, sad little Dresden china shepherdess.

"I've got to say it, and then I'm going on a trip around the world. I love you, dear. I want to marry you. I know you won't have me, but I want to give you the chance to say no," stammered and stumbled unfortunate Dick, *saying more than he meant and* meaning more than he said.

"Yes?" murmured Alice softly.

"That's all," assured Dick.

"Yes; I'll marry you, Dick, the dearest and best boy in the world, only you did let Hal elbow you out of the way, and it served you right for awhile!" Alice's little hands found Dick's clumsy ones and crept into their warm grasp. One or two fragile cups were crushed under the weight of Dick's arms.

"What?" shouted Dick, unbelieving.

"You asked me to marry you. I will—only if you start on a trip around the world I shall go, too!" whispered Alice in his startled ears.

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At 6 o'clock Dick brought his car before the curbstone, and he ran up the steps of the bachelor apartments, where both he and his cousin had rooms. In the main corridor he ran into Hal, immaculate in evening dress, *on his way to keep a dinner engage*ment.

Hal smiled condescendingly up at his big cousin. "Been well trimmed, Dicky, boy?" he insinuated craftily. "I suppose you've got yours now."

"You bet!" crowed Dick happily. "I've been on a fool's errand and received a fool's reward!"

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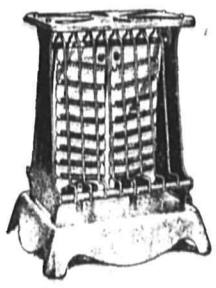

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The Canadian Highway will be an accomplished fact within the next few years, and the outside world will then know that in this broad Dominion there is a road more than 3,000 miles long over which an automobile can travel from coast to coast in safety and with comfort. The country that offers the wealthy tourist the splendid roads that Canada will have, the magnificent scenery and exceptional opportunities of investment, will reap a large harvest from its visitors.

This association was formed in New Westminster, B. C., last November and it was at this meeting that Mr. Kerr, *a wealthy resident of the coast and the* principal mover in the convention that resulted in the formation of the association, was elected president. Some time later the Governor-General of Canada, whose activity in the cause of good roads is well known to those interested in this work, was approached and requested to permit his name to be used as that of patron, the following resolution being forwarded to him after a meeting of the executive of the association:

Moved by President W. J. Kerr, seconded by vice-president A. E. Todd, "His Royal Highness the Duke of Connaught, Governor-General of Canada, having in many ways shown his interest in good roads, and more particularly by his speech from the throne at the *last formal opening of parliament*, be it therefore resolved that the secretary extend to His Royal Highness the thanks of the officers of the Canadian Highway Association for lending his influence to the cause of roads improvement, and further

"That the secretary respectfully informs His Royal Highness that it is the earnest desire of the members of this association that His Royal Highness should consent to become patron of the Canadian Highway Association."

The following reply was received a few days ago by W. P. Luce, secretary of the Association:

Government House,
Ottawa.

Dear Sir,

I am desired by the Governor-General to acknowledge receipt of your letter and to inform you in reply that His Royal Highness will be pleased to become Patron of the Canadian Highway Association as requested by your executive committee.

His Royal Highness is much interested in the subject of good roads, and wishes your association every success.

I am,

Yours faithfully,
Arthur F. Sladen,
Private Secretary.

The Duke of Connaught has long been interested in good roads and has shown in many ways that he is strongly in sympathy with any movement that will tend to better the transportation facilities of this or any other country. Travelled man as he is, and trained in observations of things that make for the public weal, His Royal Highness has put to practical use the knowledge gained in Canada, England, *on the continent, and in foreign countries*, and he believes he has acted wisely in allowing his name to become associated with the enterprise fathered by the Canadian Highway Association.

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A poor little slum child of about eleven developed a malady which demanded an instant operation. He was taken to Guy's hospital, where the great doctor who examined him had to tell him that there was just a fighting chance for his life.

The seats of the operating theatre, *rising tier above tier like the gallery* of a church, were filled with long rows of students, who had come to witness the *greatest surgeon* of his time, use the knife. The little patient was brought in and, during some preliminaries placed in a cushioned chair. Looking around at the great throng of men, he said timidly to one of the assistant doctors, "Please, sir, I should be very glad if one of you gentlemen would say just a little prayer for me."

There was a profound silence. Nobody moved, so the little slum child knelt down and said: "Dear Jesus, I'm only a poor, weak, little lad, but please help this kind gentleman so that he shall do his work right. Amen." Having said that the boy climbed on the table and lay back while a smile lighted up his face."

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"CANADA FOR THE PEOPLE"

National Ideal as Urged by Preacher

In the Metropolitan church, Regina, recently, a notable sermon on "The Need of a National Idea" was preached by Rev. Dr. Bland of Winnipeg.

What is Canada's national idea, the idea that fills and inspires Canadian from coast to coast? asked Dr. Bland. *He spoke of the spirit that was dividing* east and west, the sharp line of demarkation between the different religions of the country and the varied immigration—thousands of men pouring into the country every year who were not filled with love for our British traditions—all of which pointed to the need of a national idea to bind the east and the west, the Protestant and Catholic and the hosts coming yearly from every country in Europe into one people.

"Is the gaining of more territory to be the idea?"—and he pointed to the east unsettled stretches to show that there was no land hunger. "Is it more people?" and by comparing our immigration of last year with that of the United States in the greatest year in her history he pointed out that we received in proportion to our population four times as many as the States. Saskatchewan, he declared, would yet feed as many people as the whole German Empire, but if numbers was the only aim then we might just as well have 65,000 buffalo on the plain.

As an idea big enough to include all Canada and to serve her in all future ages of her history and one that should *bind all Canadians in one great brotherhood*, he suggested "Canada for the Common People." A hundred years ago the United States was in much the same position as Canada is today and if we continue to drift along without a national idea that will prevent us from falling into her mistakes, less than a hundred years will find us where the United States is today, he said, and added a description of the worst features of the American system; the amassing of wealth undreamed of in any former age and the ruthless destruction of her natural resources to enrich individuals or corporations.

The appointment of the Railway Commission a few years ago was, he said, a great step in the right direction and he noted as a sign that Canadian statesmen were taking the matter up *that the commission was not appointed* in imitation of that of any other country but was the first of its kind in the world. He praised the work they had done and expressed the hope that they would be given broader powers to deal with matters that oppressed the public. The Conservation Commission, too, he felt, had a great work to do as men who had no love for the public were ever reaching in the dark or while the people slept to snatch their heritage from them before they realized its value and he thought that the commission might even go so far as to prevent silly cities or municipalities from giving away public rights.

The men who massed wealth in this country were able to take care of themselves anywhere and would get along in any country, but the poor man and the crowd needed to be cared for and this he said would be the object of the slogan he proposed—to lift men so that there would be no poor or ignorant. He dreaded to think of the day if it ever should come when Regina and Winnipeg would have palaces and slums as they had in Liverpool and London and he added that he would dread more the coming of the palace than of the slums for while the hardship and privation of the poor might be endured and might even be of benefit to those who survived, the wickedness and licentiousness of the idle wealthy was a real danger to the life stream of the nation as it tainted all below it.

In closing, Dr. Bland made an earnest appeal that his hearers, particularly the young men who would have a share in the moulding of the future of the nation, would bear in mind as their national idea "Canada for the Common people."

Nothing is more uncertain than the result of any one throw; few things more certain than the result of many throws.

If there be one thing upon this earth *that mankind love and admire better* than another, it is a brave man—it is a man who dare look the devil in the the face, and tell him he is a devil.

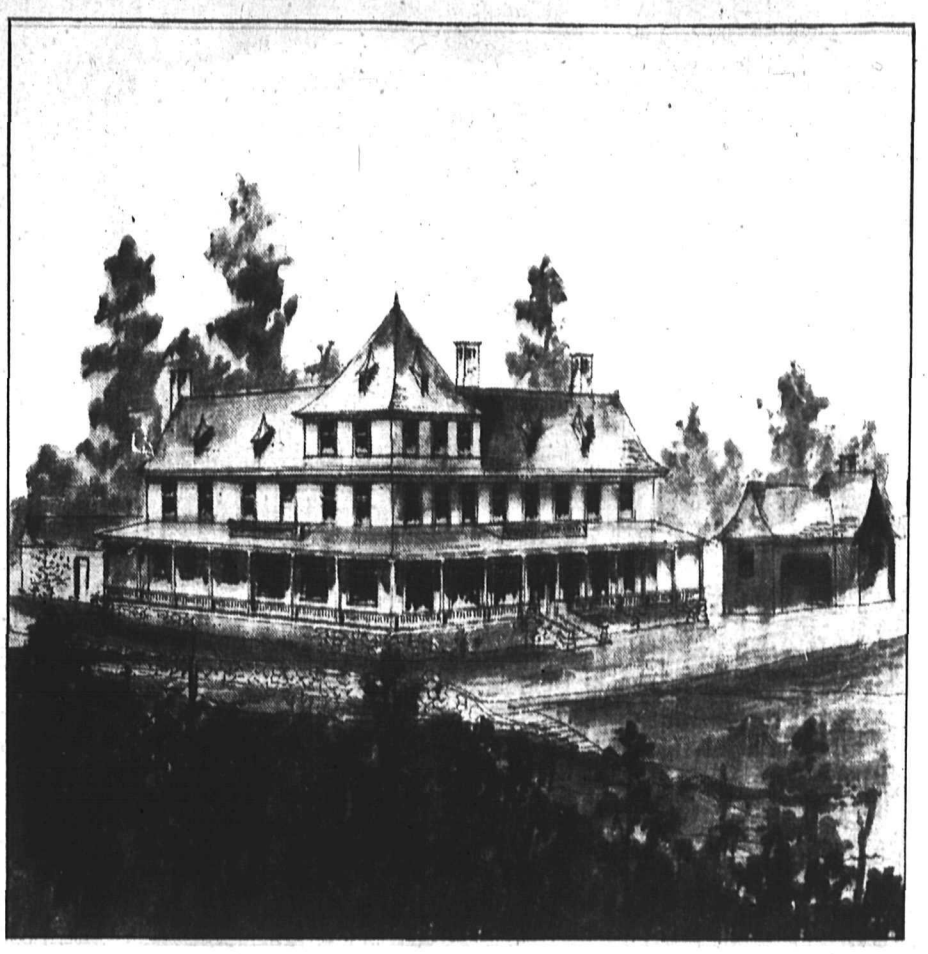
NEW HOTEL FOR LYNN VALLEY

The above cut gives an excellent idea of the new structure which it is proposed to build for tourist hotel purposes at Lynn Valley. The site chosen consists of five acres of land, near the new bridge on the Rice Lake road, so situated as to overlook the canyons and park. The venture is promoted by Messrs. W. C. Kennedy and J. A. Seabold and the object in view is to establish a tourist hotel on much the same plan as Canyon View hotel at the Capilano canyon.

The building itself will be a two-story structure with a frontage of 82 feet and a depth of 65 feet, having 25 bedrooms in all. The ground floor will be occupied by a spacious landing parlor, a diningroom 29 by 37 feet, a hall 20 by 30 feet, fitted with a large open fireplace, a smoke room 15 by 19 feet, an office 10 by 12 feet, bath room, lavatories, etc. There will also be a second dining room of smaller proportions than the main dining hall. The stairway will have a separate entrance and will terminate on a spacious corridor running the full length of the building on the first story. The upper floor will contain 25 bedrooms of liberal dimensions and will be fitted with toilets, lavatories, etc. The building will be steam heated throughout and outside will be characterized by broad verandahs on three sides totalling 150 feet in length. There will be a stable and garage in connection with the hotel.

The grounds will be laid out in an attractive manner in part as a Japanese tea garden, while elsewhere will be found a bowling green, tennis courts, croquet lawns, etc.

The architect of the building is Mr. J. S. Pearce of Vancouver, who designed Canyon View Hotel.



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The estimated cost of the work is $40,000 of which .....is to be provided out of the general funds of the Municipality.

THOMAS SHEPHERD,
City Clerk.

North Vancouver, B. C.
April 26th, 1912.

SUCCESSFUL CONCERT

The parish hall of St John's church was on Tuesday evening the scene of an entirely successful concert arranged under the auspices of the Girls' Auxiliary of which Mrs. A. E. Anders is the superintendent. The program was prefaced by a sale of work, the display of wares being eloquent of recent industry and the receipts together with a minimum admission fee total well over $50. Musical and dramatic fare of exceptional interest was provided by an aggregation of very capable artistes, Miss M. Burrows opening the program with an effective pianoforte solo. A comedietta entitled "The Piano Tuner" proved a laughable outlet for the histrionic talents of Misses Vickers Adamson and Wheatland, and Messrs. Diplock, Adamson and Anders, while Mr. T. E. Rowe contributed very amusing recitals. Miss Doris Anders made her first appearance as a monologuist and was warmly encored for her recitation to piano accompaniment. Two clever costume items, excerpts from "San Toy" were rendered by Mr. and Miss Adamson, while a Diplock-Anders interlude on humorous lines was an immediate success. The concert closed with keyboard pyrotechnics and other Hilliamesque contributions.

City Clerk Resigns

Mr. Shepherd Verbally Informs Council of Wish to Resign Office—Council Requests Written Intimation

At the close of last night's session of the city council—immediately prior to a motion of adjournment—Mr. Thos. Shepherd, the city clerk, intimated verbally his wish to resign that office. Mr. Shepherd, in so doing, apparently sprung a surprise on the council. No reason was given for this action. The council did not accept the resignation but expressed a wish that it should be put into writing. It is generally hoped that Mr. Shepherd will reconsider the matter. He informed a representative of the Express this morning that it was in any case his intention to continue in office for at all events two months and see the city through its present financial undertakings.

Lynn Valley Notes

The Orpheus Male Choir of Vancouver gave a very successful concert in the Institute Hall on Tuesday evening to a large audience in aid of the new Methodist church funds. The program was classical and humorous. The repeated encores proved the appreciation of singers, individually and collectively. Mr. F. Underwood of Lynn Valley road is given the credit of getting the choir to the valley and the financial committee were satisfied with the success of the concert.

All members of the institute and their friends and all intending to become members, are invited by the trustees to join in a May Day dance on Wednesday the 1st of May, in the Institute Hall, from eight o'clock to midnight. An opportunity for all and others to join the Institute will be offered. The secretary, Coun. Westover, will be on hand to enroll new members, and all membership cards issued on this date will entitle the owner to free admission to the dance. A large turnout is expected and hoped for.

The district police force has been giving its active attention to a public nuisance which for some little time has sadly required a nipping in the bud. Under the erroneous belief that they were tuff tuft tuffing through a deserted region, motorists have developed the habit of negotiating the dangerous corners on the Capilano road without giving the necessary toot of warning. So that pedestrians shall receive proper and timely intimation when to make the usual springbok leap to the road side, Chief Lifton introduced several offenders to Reeve May on Saturday morning, and Mr. May deemed it fitting to impose the minimum fine in each instance. Messrs. E. E. Walsh of New Westminster, W. Kilroy of Vancouver and the Russel Motor Car Co. of Vancouver, were the delinquent parties. In Mr. Kilroy's case it was discovered that his automobile licence had not been renewed since its expiration last year. He was, therefore, deprived of an additional $5.

West Vancouver District Council

Site Chosen for Municipal Hall—Ferry Steamers to be Purchased

The site for the municipal headquarters of the district of West Vancouver was chosen at the meeting of the council on Tuesday and building will be proceeded with at once. The site chosen is one offered by Mr. John Lawson and comprises a full half block at the northwest corner of Taylor road, according to a plan of subdivision submitted by Mr. Lawson. The site is two blocks or about 700 feet north of Keith road on the road which leads from the ferry landing and is 230 feet by 130 feet in area. Mr. Lawson gives the district a free deed of the property and the council agrees to erect thereon, a building to be used as a municipal hall for at least three years, after which the property becomes the possession of the district for any public purposes for which it may be required.

In making the motion to the above effect Councillor Mathers stated that the council felt that in the various sites submitted, they had been privileged to choose between the very best sites which the district afforded. In selecting the site decided upon, the council thought that it was the most accessible for the present centre of population and that at the end of three years the council would be in a position to decide more satisfactorily upon the permanent site for the municipal centre.

In submitting the resolution Reeve Nelson stated that the council had traversed the district before choosing the site. They had visited every site offered and had given the matter most careful consideration. While he had not agreed with the decision of the committee, he bowed willingly to the opinion of the majority of the council.

A unanimous vote of thanks was passed to all who had submitted sites for the consideration of the council. In connection with which the reeve remarked that the ratepayers who had offered sites free, had set a striking example to those property owners who wished to make the district pay the last dollar for each piece of property which might be required for roadways or for other municipal purposes.

Dealing with transportation matters, Councillor Mathers moved that inasmuch as no suitable boat had thus far been offered for charter, the transportation committee be empowered to advertise for suitable boats for purchase and also to take options on any boats which they might wish to secure.

Under the report of the finance committee, it was resolved that the Bank of B. N. A. be appointed bankers for the district and that a bylaw be passed authorizing the borrowing of $40,000 for municipal purposes. The first Temporary Loan By-law of West Vancouver district was then introduced and read twice. The rules were then suspended and the by-law was read a third time. Its terms were in accord with the above resolution.

Under communications, the letter of North Shore Press Limited re their special edition was referred to the finance committee, as was also one from Mr. Jessop with reference to publicity matters. It was decided to defer the appointment of representatives on the Joint Civic Advertising Committee. The application of W. M. Harman for a road to D. L. 815 was referred to the Board of Works. Several letters with reference to Liability Insurance, fire apparatus and other similar matters were referred to the appropriate committees. The offer of John Peers to give gravel from his property for constructing a road along Creek View avenue was accepted. The application of Charles Appleton for a road to lot 28, block 23, D. L. 237, was referred to the Board of Works. The finance committee was empowered to act in the purchase of four lots in D. L. 1064, for roadway.

A plan of subdivision for the west half of D. L. 1090 was passed as were also a plan for subdivision of the south half of D. L. 1083 and lots A10 and A15, D. L. 555, subject to the approval of the engineer.

On motion of Councillor Merrick Mr. W. B. Lees will be asked to meet the council with reference to extending the Marine Drive through his property.

On motion the clerk was instructed to write the West Vancouver Transportation company as to whether they have any proposition to submit with reference to their ferry service.

On motion of Coun. Hay, the engineer was empowered to procure plans for a municipal hall to be built at a cost of not more than $3,000.

Councillor Gintzburger, referring to subdivision plans stated that the council would not consider plans of property lying back from the waterfront which showed less than 66 feet in width.

"Scotland" by Rev. J. A. Gillam on Monday next in the North Lonsdale Presbyterian church, cor. 27th and Chesterfield. 25 cents.

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