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Vancouver Province: In order to ascertain whether the travelling public availed themselves of the privileges of reading the Bibles supplied by the Gideons, a guest at a Winnipeg hotel concealed a two dollar bill between the leaves of the volume in his room. Returning a few days later he found the Bible intact, but the bill missing. He is now satisfied that Biblical research is a popular study in that city.

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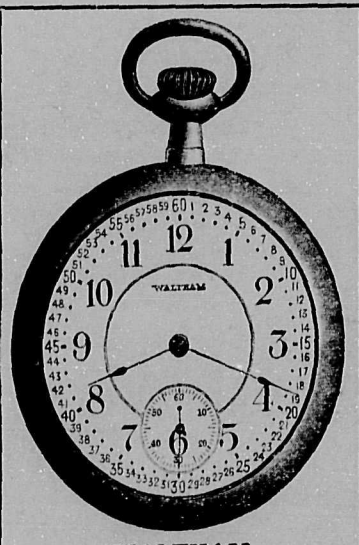

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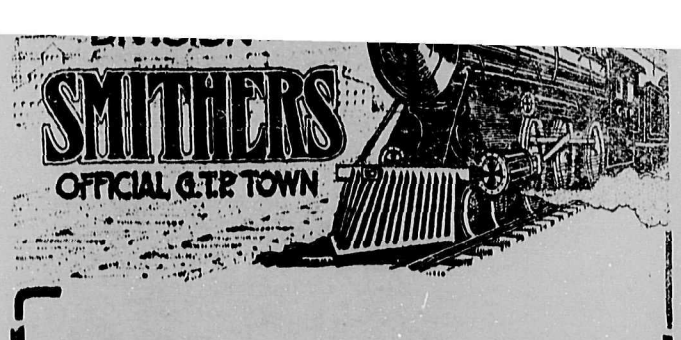


In 1901 Vancouver had a population of 27,000; today it has over 150,000. In 1903 its assessed property was $22,936,835. Today it is near $250,000,000. British Columbia had 178,657 people in 1901, today it has over 400,000.

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Smithers—named by the Grand Trunk Pacific after its highest official, Mr. Alfred Waldron Smithers, Chairman of its Board of Directors, is the railway's only division headquarters between Prince Rupert and Prince George, a distance of some 460 miles through one of the richest belts of Western Canada.

Smithers is the dominating centre of the famous Bulkley Valley, the first large agricultural area of the Grand Trunk Pacific east of Prince Rupert.

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Smithers was selected by the railway company for its freight and passenger divison headquarters and the town is owned by the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway. It is one of the only two such division points on the Grand Trunk Pacific in British Columbia, the other being Prince George.

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The railway company will spend upwards of $250,000 at Smithers for shops, round house and other terminal improvements and freight and passenger division point facilities in Smithers, besides employing over 200 men at this point.

Approximately $50,000 has already been spent in improvements at Smithers, clearing the site, grading streets, building sidewalks, etc.

Smithers is a hustling, busy community today. In June it had less than ten people, today it has over 450. It has a bank, a sawmill, two newspapers, a large number of stores and homes. Over seventy-five new, permanent buildings are under construction. Every train brings new people and new settlers.

Smithers will have an electric light plant and a modern water system. It will have railway shops and a railway payroll. It will be the distributing point for the entire Bulkley Valley.

Being the nearest large agricultural area to Prince Rupert, Bulkley Valley is bound to become that city's chief source of supply for its foodstuffs. Its products will come through its natural, logical centre—Smithers.

Central British Columbia is just entering a period of wonderful activity through the opening of the Grand Trunk Pacific.

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# Alamo Theatre and Nechaco General Stores Burned to the Ground

The worst fire in the Fort George district since the Northern Hotel blaze and the F. P. Burden disaster, broke out at 6:15 Sunday night in the Alamo theatre, corner of Central avenue and Hammond street, and in less than an hour and a half had completely destroyed the theatre and the Nechaco General Stores building, a loss of about $7500. The Alamo theatre, which was valued at $3000, was owned by John Boehner of South Fort George and C. A. Cutler of Fort George. Being a moving picture theatre there was no fire insurance on it, so it represents a total loss. The moving picture machine, the engine and dynamo were also burned, a loss of about $1000. C. A. Cutler owned the machine, while the engine and dynamo belonged to John Boehner. Fortunately he had moved his machine to South Fort George some weeks ago.

The building and fixtures of the Nechaco General Stores, Limited, were valued at $3500 and insured for $1000. The loss here comes on the stockholders, J. H. Johnson and C. C. Cutler. A loss of some $800 was sustained by Albert Dollenmayer. Frank Nay lost a $90 coffee urn which he had moved into the Nechaco store only a few days ago.

Through the energy and quick thought of F. P. Burden's office staff his entire lot of books and papers as well as his safe were carried out of the building to his house nearby, and the building saved by pouring water from his blue print tank down the walls and over the roof. Wet blankets were hung over the windows. The office of Roberts, Jones & Willson was saved by Tom Sullivan, who broke open the door and rolled out the safe. S. G. Lawrence, who poured water continually over the roof and N. C. Jorgensen, who helped in carrying out the papers. G. G. Baker's store was covered with wet blankets and protected by volunteer workers.

It is to the work of these volunteers that much of the credit is due for they kept the fire from spreading, while the fire brigade under the management of Captain Donnelly, confined their efforts to the two buildings already ablaze. When at one time the water tower seemed threatened from the west, Fred Shearer climbed to the top and threw bucket after bucket down the scorching side. F. J. Cutting, J. W. A. Gordon, Bert Ellis and Jock Hugh baled water into pails, while Scotty Ferguson, Roy Marshall, Harry Bontez, G. A. James, Harry Withers, Ole Boyd, R. D. Miller, Louis Forrest, Dougal Macdougall and W. Smith lent willing hands generally.

There are many theories as to the way the fire started, but the most plausible one, from the accounts of those who reached it first, is that the cresote which had collected in the long length of horizontal pipe running from the stove in the southwest corner to the chimney, caught fire from the great heat in the stove and caused the stovepipes to melt and telescope, falling to the floor. The first man to get inside the building said the stovepipes were all down and the flames were bursting out of the stove. In the afternoon C. W. Moore had put on a fire about 3:30 o'clock in order to have the theatre warm for night, when the Freethought society were to hold a meeting.. Later in the afternoon William Bell, who is also interested in the Freethought society, looked at the fire, finding it all right. It is thought that the stove became overheated later on and set the creosote ablaze..

People noticed flames coming out from the front of the building, and the fire bell was rung by D. A. Murray. In his efforts to ring it loud enough, however, he broke the wire. This little incident warned the people that in case of future fires the bell would not be efficient, so Albert Dollenmayer with characteristic generosity, has offered to loan the whistle from the steamer Robert C. Hammond, which will be put above the hotel and connected with the engine room to be used as a fire alarm. A pump will also be installed in the engine room of the hotel to pump water directly through the hose as the pressure from the tank was found insufficient to give very great force to the streams of water. There were only about 300 feet of hose on hand because the 1000 extra feet ordered some time ago by the fire committee is still on the road.

Fred Manahan, who was on duty at the telephone switchboard when the fire started, notified every house that had telephone connection, working long after closing hours. When the fire at one time threatened to turn south along Central avenue he tried to get South Fort George to summon their fire brigade to assist, but the office was closed. In case of future disasters a plan has been suggested of leaving the manager's house connected with both exchanges after closing hours. Other timely suggestions are that the fire brigade be supplied with double-headed axes, light ladders and lanterns.

The children's Christmas celebration was to have been held in the Alamo theatre next week. The only good floor for dancing in Fort George is now in the new annex to the Fort George hotel.

### Stefansson Purposely Deserted.

Ottawa, Dec. 15.—(Special.)—A report from the Arctic to Ottawa says that Stefansson, the explorer, was purposely deserted by his crew. Friction is said to have existed on the Karluk throughout the whole voyage.

### TEN THOUSAND KILLED

**Rebels Defeated in Mexico With Heavy Loss.**

Mexico City, Dec. 16.—(Special.)—The Mexican rebels were defeated in a two-day battle before Tampico. Ten thousand were killed.

## Temporary Bridge Begun

**The long-expected has at last come. Work was begun last Saturday on the temporary bridge across the Fraser river at the junction of the Nechaco and Fraser rivers, technically known as the fourth crossing. The contract for the timber bridge is in the hands of McPeak Bros., who have built the other temporary bridges along the G. T. P. It will take from three to four weeks to complete and will be all ready for the rails when they reach here—about the middle of January. They can then be laid directly into the terminal.**

**Meantime the Bates-Rogers Company can continue their work on the cement foundations for the big permanent bridge wthout in any way interfering with traffic on the railroad which comes to the bridge and then switches a little to one side and crosses the river on a temporary structure. The steel bridge may take a year to complete, yet the people of the district will be so well acquainted with trains by that time that they will have forgotten how they used to discuss the question whether the construction of the big bridge might not mean the coming of the railway for a long time. The contract for the superstructure on the permanent bridge will be handled by the Canadian Bridge Company.**

### CONSERVATIVES ELECTED

**Government Candidates Carry South Lanark and Macdonald.**

Ottawa, Dec. 16.—(Special.)—In the bye-election held in South Lanark, Ont., on Saturday last, Dr. Hanna of Perth, Conservative, was elected by a plurality of 135 over Colonel Balderson, Independent Conservative, of Smiths Falls. Arthur Hawkes, the "Canada First" candidate, lost his deposit, securing but seven votes.

In Macdonald, Man., bye-election Alexander Morrison of Carmen, Conservative, secured a majority of 784 over his opponent, Dr. Myles of Treherne.

### MONA LISA RECOVERED

**Famous Painting Stolen From the Louvre Found in Italy.**

Paris, Dec. 15.—(Special.)—Mona Lisa, the great painting stolen from the Louvre, Paris, two years ago, has bbeen recovered in Italy. The Italian in possession of the picture has been placed under arrest.

### POLITICAL LEADERS CONFER

**Endeavoring to Settle Home Rule Question.**

London, Dec. 15.—(Special.)—The prime minister, Rt. Hon. H. H. Asquith, and Andrew Bonar Law, leader of the Unionists, are in conference on the Ulster question. Meanwhile an appeal has been issued by English friends of Ulster for money to arm the volunteers. A consignment of arms from Germany was seized at Belfast today.

### CREATING EXCITEMENT

**Sylvia Pankhurst on "Sleep Strike"—Women Burn Lumberyard.**

London, Dec. 16.—(Special.)—Sylvia Pankhurst in an endeavor to force release from prison adds "No Sleep" strike in addition to refusing to take any food or drink. She is in a serious condition and will be released this evening.

Mrs. Pankhurst returned from France today and was promptly arrested. The Women's Social and Political Union made a direct appeal to the King for her release.

The women's campaign of revenge continues. Four hundred thousand dollars is the estimated damage done to a lumberyard at Davenport yesterday, while a large mansion near Bristol was fired this morning.

### Canada Takes First Honors.

Vancouver, Dec. 15.—(Special.)—Canada took first honors at the Chicago International Livestock Show the past week, a Brandon, Manitoba, steer being given the blue ribbon as grand champion of the show. James McGregor, owner, also won this prize last year. British Columbia horses took honors in competition with a strong showing, defeating entries by both Armour and Swift, the Chicago packers. The show this year is said by experts to have included the largest and best entries ever gathered at any live-stock competition.

### Finding New Market.

Vancouver, Dec. 15.—(Special.)—British Columbia shingles are finding a wider market in the United States since the new tariff law went into effect and shipments have much increased with benefit to the Canadian manufacturer. The demand across the line promises to grow largely in future.

### Apples Win Prizes.

Kamloops, Dec. 15.—(Special.)—British Columbia apples continue to win prizes abroad. During the past week they were awarded the gold medal at the Royal Horticultural Show. This followed the winning of honors at more than half a dozen British fruit shows by the same exhibit.

### To Carry No Intoxicants.

Ottawa, Dec. 16.—(Special.)—The postmaster-general announces that no intoxicants will be carried by parcel post in an order to that effect issued here today.

# SOCIAL CLUB TO BUILD

Work will begin early next month on a two-story structure which will become the home of the South Fort George Social Club. The exact location has not been chosen, but two are under consideration, one on the corner adjoining the present telephone office and the other on the corner situated diagonally opposite the Empress hotel.

The building will be 30x100 in size, handsomely finished and up-to-date in every particular. The basement will be fitted up as a gymnasium and will be equipped with the latest appliances. The main floor will be used for meetings, dances and banquets, while upstairs will be the reading room, smoking compartment, pool and billiard hall, etc.

Every detail in the construction will be made with a view of making for the comfort and convenience of the club members."

Tonight the Hayseed dance will be held in Birch's hall under the auspices of the club and arrangements are being made to accommodate a record number. Three "Hayseed" constables from Pumpkin Centre will be on hand to assist in the proceedings, and Barney Foulke will be the official judge.

Owing to the fact that a number of prominent townsmen have been out of town during the past month chartered member list open till Monit has been decided to leave the day next. After that the initiation fee will be $15. There are now 227 chartered members.

A specialty smoker for the benefit of the members will be held during the Christmas holidays, the exact date to be announced later.

### FOR AERIAL DEFENCE

**An Appeal by the British Committee for Ten Thousand Pounds.**

London, Dec. 16.—(Special.)—The appeal of the British committee with Lord Desborough at its head draws the attention of the empire to imperative need for aerial defence. The amount desired is ten thousand pounds.

### THE ORIENTAL QUESTION

**Wants Embargo on Immigrants to Include Chinese.**

Victoria Dec. 16.—(Special.)—Premier McBride, interviewed on the Oriental question, has expressed the opnion that if practicable the Dominion government embargo on immigration to British Columbia should include the Chinese.

### Track-laying Progressing.

Prince Rupert, Dec. 15.—(Special.)—The work of track-laying on the Grand Trunk Pacific railway's western division is going ahead at the eastern end of the Bulkley valley, and about thirty-five miles of rails will be put down before the track-laying machine stops for the winter. This will bring the track to the east end of Burns Lake.

### Mine at Dooryard.

Smithers, Dec. 15.—(Special.)—A mine of silver and copper in its dooryard is the distinction claimed by the new town of Smithers in northern British Columbia. The vein runs under the Grand Trunk Pacific freight yards in the town, and work of development has been begun not over 200 yards from the railway station.

### DENOUNCED PROSECUTION

**Noted Preacher Declares Mine Owners Provoked Riots.**

Vancouver, Dec. 16.—(Special.)—Rev. Dr. Fraser, preaching at the First Presbyterian church here last night, criticized the prosecution of the alleged Nanaimo rioters. He declared that the mine owners provoked riots by bringing in strike breakers and that it was they who should be in jail.

Judge Morrison, speaking from the bench at New Westminster today where the miners are on trial, declared Mr. Fraser's act unfair and distinctly against the law.

### HANGED AT KAMLOOPS

**Paul Spintlam Pays Penalty for Murder of Constable Kindness.**

Kamloops, Dec. 15.—(Special.)—Paul Spintlam, the Indian who shot Constable Kindness near Clinton on May 19, 1912, was hanged here this morning. He protested his innocence to the last, saying he was dying for the crime that another man had committed.

### INTERESTING COMPETITION

**Under Auspices of B. C. Dairymen's Association.**

Vancouver, Dec. 10.—(Special.)—Producers of milk and cream in the province will participate in an interesting competition at Chilliwack, February 5 and 6, when the British Columbia Dairymen's association will hold its annual convention and will offer five prizes for best milk and a like number for exhibits of cream. This year's convention will have many interesting features for dairymen.

## $60,000 Hotel for Prince George to be Built

**Brewster & Pelham, the local architects, make the announcement that a $60,000 hostelry, to be known as the Prince George Hotel, will be erected on the new townsite of Prince George at the corner of Second avenue and Dominion street. Operations have already commenced on this new hotel, which is to be the finest of its kind in Northern British Columbia.**

**The building will be built by a syndicate of local business men. A view of the plans, which are on exhibition in the real estate office of Ruggles & Winters, show a building of four stories, including the basement. The corridors are spacious and airy, while excellent sanitary, lighting and heating arrangements prevail throughout the whole building. There are two main entrances—one from Dominion street and the other off Second avenue—both of which lead into the main lobby from which a practically unobstructed view of the depot and whole townsite can be obtained. Down the lobby is a large pool and billiard room with smoking compartments, at the end of which is the washroom and toilets. On the left is the barber shop and sample room, while on the right is the large dining-room, 61x26, so arranged as to make a suitable hall or ballroom. Adjoining the dining-room to the rear is the kitchen, a model of sanitation and cleanliness. At the top of the main staircase is the ladies' parlor, which will be furnished with everything that goes to make to the comfort of the fair sex. The second and third floors contain approximately one hundred rooms, while separate baths and toilets for men and women will be found on each floor. There are also to be a number of suites on each of the upstair floors, each equipped with private baths. The basement will contain a stockroom, furnace-room, storeroom, pressorium and a laundry room with special drying apparatus constructed. No expense will be spared to make this hotel strictly up to date and modern in every respect and in keeping with the hustling and growing city of Prince George. The owners state that it is their intention to rush the construction so that the building will be ready for occupancy by April 1.**

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## BETTER FIRE PROTECTION NEEDED.

An interview with Fire Chief Campbell appears on another page of this issue in which he suggests certain improvements that might be made to further insure property in this town from loss by fire. The idea is a good one and will commend itself to every citizen having the interests of the community at heart. Six months ago the apparatus which we now have on hand was purchased, and at that time it was sufficient for the demand. So rapidly has the town grown since then, however, and as many new buildings have been erected with greatly increased property valuation, that more fire-fighting appliances becomes an imperative need. The addition of two badger engines and the installation of fire alarm boxes as suggested by the chief would not entail the expenditure of a very large sum of money while it would greatly reduce the danger of a serious conflagration.

We trust the citizens wil respond to the chief's appeal for funds in the same generous manner that has characterized their response to appeals in this matter heretofore.

## PARCEL POST SYSTEM TO BE INAUGURATED

### Details Concerning Postal Project Which Wil Come Into Operation Jan. 1.

The postoffice department is working out the details of the new or rather resurrected, parcel post system which will e inaugurated throughout the Dominion on the first day of the new year. The Hon. Mr. Pelletier, postmaster-general, has been studying the parcel post organizations in operation in Great Britain and the Un'ted States, and while the Canadian system will be modelled somewhat on the lines of both, it is understood that it will differ in several important respects from either. No official statmeent as to details or rates is yet available, but from information gathered from well-informed sources the following outline is given by way of forecast of what the new syste mwill be.

The British parcel post regulations provide for a unifor mrate all over the kingdom, but in the system inaugurated at the beginning of this year in the United States, owing to the greater distances to be covered, the rate is regulated by a series of zones. While the necessity of a varying rate is generally recognized in the States, it is also admitted that the zone system is a complicated one and difficult to handle.

In the new parcel post organization, now being worked out for Canada, the principle of a varying rate has had to be adopted, but it will be applied in much simpler form than it has been across the border. The two cases of Canada and the United States are not quite parallel in this consideration of distance, as the provincial chain from Nova Scotia to British Columbia is an easier proble mthan to provide facilities for the checked-board arrangement of the States. Broadly speaking, each province will have its own parcel post system, handled by the central postoffice, and charging a uniform rate for parcels carried within the limts of the province. In this sense, each province will be a separate zone, but instead of the limit being a geometrical it will be a geographical one. The rates from one province to the others will be on a graduated scale.

Beside the rate applying to the province, it is likely that there will be a twenty or thirty-mile circle within which a cheaper rate will be in force. Whether or not there will be a still cheaper rate for parcels carried by the postoffice within city limits is an open question. It is likely that the city rate will be the same as that within the twenty or thirty-mile zone.

Obviously, the inauguration of a popular parcel post system in Canada will involve a considerable addition to staff and equipment, as it has done in Great Britain and the United States. Letter carriers, many of whom now carry heavy loads, cannot be expected to deliver parcels in addition to the ordinary work, to cook for So that, in the cities at all in care of small baby. arate delivery, by par- Walters' store, Fourth Street, special vehicles, e parcel post light package delieries of the express companies.

The details of the system are still in the hands of the postmaster-general's office at Ottawa, and the local postmasters have not yet been instructed to commence upon the arrangements in their districts. So that it will be seen a great deal of work has to be done yet in the organization by January 1 of the parcel post system in Canada.

## SUFFRAGISTS WOULD AMEND CONSTITUTION

Washington, D. C., Dec. 1—"We demand an amendment to the United States constitution enfranchising women," was the theme of the formal opening of the 45th annual convention of the National American Suffrage Association at a mass meeting here today.

A three-hour meeting was held in a theatre packed to the doors with eager listeners. The speakers were Mrs. Helen Ring Robinson, member of the state senate of Colorado; Dr. Anna Howard Shaw, president of the association; Mary Anderson, a member of the I. W. W.; Margaret Hinckey, a laundry worker of New York who pleaded in behalf of "'the underpaid and underfed women industrial workers," and Rose Winslow, who argued for a living wage for women instead of a minimum one.

## LADY AS BARRISTER

### Proves Splendid Cross Examiner, But Has Meagre Knowledge of Law

Edmonton, Dec. 12.—Mrs. Amy H. Keane, author and poet and editor and publisher of a week-end journal in Edmonton, appeared in the supreme court of Alberta here in the role of a barrister to deny her liability for alleged debts amounting to $928, incurred in connection with the building of a residence in the southern part of the city. Two king's counsels appeared for the five plaintiffs. Mrs. Keane displayed more than ordinary ability as a questioner, but it was evident that her knowledge of court procedure is meagre. One of the plaintiffs was subjected to a gruelling cross examination. He appeared greatly relieved when Mr. Justice Beck, who presided, advised Mrs. Keane not to ask the witness any more questions, but to avail herself of the opportunity of giving testimony in her own behalf. The woman accepted the judge's advice

## LIQUOR ACT, 1910.

Notice is hereby given that on the Tenth day of January next, application will be made to the Superintendent of Provincial Police for the grant of a license for the sale of liquor by retail in and upon the premises known as The "Prince George" Hotel Co., situate at Prince George, British Columbia, upon the lands described as Lots 15 and 16, Block 43, Townsite of Prince George, District of Cariboo.

Dated this tenth day of December, 1913,

DONALD A. BREWSTER,
Applicant.

## CANCELLATION OF RESERVE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the reserve, notice of which appeared in the B. C. Gazette on the 29th day of August, 1907, is cancelled in so far as it relates to the East half of Lot 5316 and the West half of Lot 5314, Cariboo District, in order that the sale of same may be made to the Grand Trunk Pacific Development Company, Limited, for right of way purposes, etc.

R. A. RENWICK,
Deputy Minister of Lands.
Lands Department,
Victoria, B. C.,
25th November, 1913.
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Coal Act: Form of Notice
FORT FRASER LAND DISTRICT

TAKE notice that I, Philip Broke Freeland, of Vancouver, B. C., occupation Civil Engineer, intends to apply for a licence to prospect for Coal and Petroleum on the following described lands:—

Commencing at a post planted 160 chains south and 40 chains west of the South West corner of Governmehr reserve on Murray Lake. Thence south 80 chains; thence east 80 chains thence north 80 chains; thence west 80 chains more or less to point of beginning, containing 640 acres more or less.

PHILIP BROKE FREELAND
October 19th., 1913.
John Michell Rolston, agent.

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hearing occupied the [illegible], after which the court took the case under advisement.

### Will Dredge Mouth of Fraser.

Ottawa, Dec. 15.—A contract for dredging three hundred thousand cubic yards of sand at Sandheads, north of the Fraser river, was awarded today to the Navigation & Dredging Company at a price of $70,500.

Sealed Tenders addressed to the undersigned, and endorsed "Tender for Immigration Detention Hospital Building, Vancouver, B. C.," will be received at this office until 4.00 p. m., on Monday, December 29, 1913, for the erection of the above-named building.

Plans, specification and form of contract can be seen and forms of tender obtained at this department, at the office of W. Henderson, Esq., Resident Architect, Victoria, B.C., and on application to Mr. A. J. Chisholm, caretaker, Public Building, Vancouver, B. C.

Persons tendering are notified that tenders will not be considered unless made on the printed forms supplied, and signed with their actual signatures, stating their occupations and places of residence. In the case of firms, the actual signature, the nature of the occupation and place of residence of each member of the firm must be given.

Each tender must be accompanied by an accepted cheque on a chartered bank, payable to the order of the Honourable the Minister of Public Works, equal to ten per cent. (10 p. c.) of the amount of the tender, which will be forfeited if the person tendering decline to enter into a contract when called upon to do so, or fail to complete the work contracted for. If the tender be not accepted the cheque will be returned.

The Department does not bind itself to accept the lowest or any tender.

By order,
R. C. DESROCHERS,
Secretary.
Department of Public Works,
Ottawa, November 19, 1913.

Coal Act: Form of Notice
FORT FRASER LAND DISTRICT

TAKE notice that Herbert Michell Rolston of Bella Coola, B. C., occupation Real Estate Agent, intends to apply for a licence to prospect for Coal and Petroleum over the following described lands:—

Commencing at a post planted 160 chains south and 40 chains west of the South West corner of Government Reserve, Murray Lake, thence west 80 chains; thence north 80 chains; thence east 80 chains; thence south 80 chains more or less to point of beginning, containing 640 acres more or less.

HERBERT MICHELL ROLSTON
October 19th., 1913.
John Michell Rolston, agent.

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## WILL PURCHASE BOAT

**Will Be Operated by Imperial Express Company to Operate With Fort George**

Vancouver, Dec. 14 — Negotiations are under way for the purchase of a fast steamer to operate in connection with the new mail contract to Fort George, according to J. T. Robinson, mayor of Kamloops, who with James Shields controls the Imperial Express Company which, with the recent mail contract for the Cariboo district made with the Dominion postal department, becomes the largest stage and mail concern operated in a primitive way that there is on the American continent and probably in the world.

The new company obtained the contract September 26 and on four days' notice got their outfits ready to take over the business from the old B. X. company that was well known for years in handling the big contract with the government. For six weeks the Imperial company operated by automobile and motortruck. Then the ice prevented the use of the gasoline launches up the Fraser river to Fort George and the company now are operating with teams 83 miles to Fort George. There are relays at Miles 83, 100, 115, 132, 150, Lynne's ranch, Soda Creek, Choates' Australian ranch, Quesnel, West QQuesnel, Goose Lake, Blackwater, Round Lake and Fort George. The company still operates motors from Ashcroft to Soda Creek, and to Lillooet, Clinton to Dog Creek, from the 150-mile to Keethly Creek and to the Horsefly and Chilcotin countries. These latter four lines have been sublet.

According to Mr. Robinson, who is at the Hotel Vancouver, the company, on account of snow, soon will be compelled to operate altogether with teams. About an average of six tons of mail a week leaves Ashcroft, and a tri-weekly service is maintained to Fort George. It was estimated that last year the mileage covered by the government's Cariboo mail contract was about 121,470 miles. There are eight horses at every station and the company has some 124 horses working now and forty more head will soon be added.

Mr. Robinson says there is particularly heavy travel southward just at present, and, in fact, all travel is exceptionally heavy for this time of the year. Kamloops is growing in importance as a city and building operations the past year broke all records.

### HASTENING G. T. P.

**Vice-president Donaldson Says Work Will Continue This Season Later Than Usual.**

Winnipeg, Dec. 15.—Work on the main line of the G. T. P. will continue later than it has ever done before. The line will extend as far west as Prince George before the track-laying closes for the winter, according to the statement made on his return from the east by Morley Donaldson, vice-president and general manager of the line. Mr. Donaldson said that the work of construction was entirely satisfactory as regards the amount which had been accomplished this year.

### "EVERY REAL MAN HAS A MOUSTACHE."

Berlin, Dec. 15.—"Every real man wears a moustache,' is said to be the kaiser's remark on a subject of the latest fad of Germans, both officers and civilians, to shave the faces smooth in the American style. The emperor expressed the wish that army officers should continue to wear the moustaches. No order on the subject has yet been issued, but the kaiser's views have been communicated to the officers of his immediate entourage.

Edmonton, Dec. 12.—(Special)—J. J. McNarama was today elected mayor. He won out by 270 over Mayor Short. Mayor McNarama is pledged to introce commission government if the people endorse it at the plebiscite.

### DATE SET FOR OPENING PROVINCIAL LEGISLATURE

Victoria, Dec. 12.— (Special)—In a month the provincial legislature will hold its formal opening. The date set is January 15.

### Municipal Affairs

Edmonton, Dec. 12. — William Gariepy, K.C., of Edmonton, member of the provincial legislature for the Beaver river constituency, who has just taken over his duties as minister of municipal affiairs of Alberta, succeeds Hon. Charles Stewart, who has become minister of public works, vice Hon. C. R. Mitchell, chosen as provincial treasurer.

Mr. Gariepy is one of the ablest of the French-Canadian members of the legislature and is a brilliant speaker. He was a member of the city council of Edmonton in 1907 and 1908; president of the Alberta Union Municipalities in 1911, and meber of the school board of Edmonton since 1904. He was president of the Edmonton Liberal Club until recently. Mr. Mitchell has already held three portfolios in the Alberta cabinet: Attorney-general, minister of education and minister of public works, also acting as premier in the absence of Hon. A. L. Sifton. Mr. Stewart is a farmer at Killam.

### Mission of Foster.

Ottawa, Dec. 10.—When the Hon. George E. Foster goes to England in January to attend the Dominion's trade congress he will ask that body to take up the question of ocean freight rates at once instead of waiting till the meeting in Canada. The last imperial conference left the matter of ocean freight rates to the Dominion's trade congress.

### Ireland to Get B. C. Seeds.

Victoria, Dec. 15.—The land and forest department of Ireland desires seed of spruce and fir as grown in British Columbia for planting in the Emerald Isle. Chief McMillan has just received an inquiry from the board as to the possibility of purchasing these seeds here for reforestration purposes in Ireland.

**FORT GEORGE LAND DISTRICT**
District of Cariboo

TAKE notice that Thomas A. Foster, of Edson, Alta., ocrupation contractor, intends to apply for permission to lease the following described lands:—

Commencing at a post planted about 25 chains N.W. of S.E. corner of Lot 5332, thence west 20 chains; thence north 20 chains; thence east 20 chains; thence south 20 chains to point of commencement.

THOMAS A. FOSTER.
September 24th, 1913.
James R. McLennan, agent.

**FORT GEORGE LAND DISTRICT**
District of Cariboo

TAKE notice that James R. McLennan, of Edson, Alta., occupation prospector, intends to apply for permission to lease the following described lands:—

Commencing at a post planted 10 chains north of S.E. corner of Lot 5332 thence east 20 chains; thence south 20 chains; thence west 20 chains; thence north 20 chains to point of commencement.

JAMES R. McLENNAN
September 24, 1913.
James R. McLennan, agent.

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## MAPS AND BOOKLETS FOR PRE-EMPTORS

Vancouver, Dec. 12,—(Speciaal)—Maps for pre-emptors is the latest aid the province is giving to settlers. A special series is now being issued that will show lands open for pre-emption in central and northern British Columbia. The surveys branch of the department of lands is publishing the maps, which are eight in number and cover 75,000 square miles of territory.

They cover in detail the great unclaimed areas tributary to the new Grand Trunk Pacific line across British Columbia and the entire route of the Pacific Great Eastern as well. Lands open for pre-emption are colored red on the maps, so that intending settlers can tell at a glance just what can be had, as well as the lands that have been alienated.

In the past pre-emptors have been put to some trouble to find just what lands could be taken up in any one district. Instead of being forced to make a tedious enquiry along this line, the pre-emptor will now have this task performed for him by the government. The province will now display its lands before the eye of the settler and ask him to help himself. It is believed the assistance thus given will be of very great benefit and will result in the settlement of much vacant land.

By early spring it is expected to have three additional maps published, making in all, for the benefit of the pre-emptor, covering those portions of country thoroughly along the new railway lines, where settlement is expected to be heaviest.

In addition the lands department is pushing ahead its surveys as fast as posible in order to aid settlers in choosing locations and surveyed areas are shown on the pre-emptor's maps.

To accompany these maps for pre-emptors, which the provincial lands department is now beginning to issue, Hon. W. R. Ross, minister of lands, has authorized the publication of a series of descriptive booklets teling of the features and possibilities of various provincial land districts in the province. The first booklet of the series covers the Fort Fraser division. Another dealing with the Fort George district will shortly make its apearance, while a third will deal with the Skeena river district.

### LIFE OF SPAIN'S KING IN GRAVE DANGER

Madrid, Dec. 10.—(Special)—The life of King Alfonso, of Spain, is said to be ingrave danger from a disease of the ear, which has spread to the bone that connects with the brain. Specialists seem unable to help. The king is at present in Paris.

### RECORD IN TUNNEL CONSTRUCTION; TUNNEL HEADS ¾ INCH APART

Montreal, Dec. 10.—(Special) — The two heads of the Canadian Northern tunnel under Mount Royal met this morning. There was a difference in alignment of only three-quarters of an inch, which gives the record for tunnel construction in America to the C. N. R.

### EMBARGO ON IMMIGRATION

Otawa, Dec. 12.—(Special)—Following close on the heels of the recent heated discussions on Hindu immigration the Ottawa government today passed order-in-council declaring an embargo on all immigration to British Columbia until the end of March. The reason given out is that there is already a glut of labor and no work for more immigrants, but the real object is to keep out the Hindus.

This embargo, however, will not affect Chinese immigration, it is said, since they pay a head tax.

### END OF LARKINISM

London, Dec. 10.—(Special)—The proposal of Larkin that the British trades unions help Dublin by declaring a sympathetic strike was voted down by the trades union congress in London. At this congress there were present 600 delegates who represented 2,500,000 workers. A majority of nearly 2,000,000 voting against the strike. It is believed and hoped by many that this means an end of Larkinism. The British postmen decided today not to strike at Christmas.


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Ottawa, Dec. ..—The government has received resolutions passed by the Winnipeg board of control, the Toronto board of control and the Montreal city council by the executive of the Dominion trades and labor council asking that a royal commission be appointed to inquire into the question of the high cost of living.

It is said tonight that while the matter has been informally discussed in council no concrete proposal has yet been laid before the ministers for definite action. It is possible that the departure of Hon. Mr. Crothers for the Maritime provinces to study industrial conditions, may delay consideration of the question for a time. It may not, however, as the minister of labor is known to have pronounced himself definitely in favor of the appointment of a one-man commission to report upon the problem.

## ENGINEER WILL HELP THE SALMON

### John McHugh Appointed to Clear Obstructions on Upper Fraser.

New Westminster, Dec. 5.—The Dominion fisheries department, at the suggestion of Chief Inspector Cunningham, has appointed John McHugh, municipal engineer of Surrey, to look after the obstruction of the upper river which for some time and to a great extent has prevented salmon from reaching their spawning grounds. This new departure of the Dominion fisheries department has been decided upon after a thorough investigation of the situation, the department deeming it advisable to secure the services of a competent engineer in the matter.

Engineer McHugh, who has had thirteen years' experience, has done considerable construction work for the C. P. R., and was for a time engineer to North Vancouver. He will take over his new duties on December 15, and will make his headquarters in this city.

Yesterday the engineer, in company with Chief Inspector Cunningham, made a trip to North Bend, Hell's Gate and China Bar, where the greater obstruction at present exists.

## OPENING COAL FIELDS

### Copper River Country Has Rich Deposits of Coal and Iron

Smithers, Dec. 12.—Work will soon be started on a road to the coal properties of the National Finance Company, on Cool creek. The coal fields lie in the Copper river country, about 30 miles from Smithers, and were recently made the subject of a very favorable report by an expert brought from Chicago to examine the property.

The expert said the coal fields were so extensive and valuable that a thorough exploration with a diamond drill should be undertaken, and this will be the next step in their development. This is the property from which the coal was taken that won first prize in the recent exhibition at Prince Rupert, where coal from many of the best mines in the province was entered.

It is in this same district that the recent extensive deposit of bog iron was discovered. There is said to be a large mountain of iron ore, so located that it can be dug out with a steam shovel. The owners are contemplating the erection of a blast furnace and if this is done, coal of superior quality will be available right near the iron deposits.

## BETTER MAIL SERVICE

### Required Along the Line of the Grand Trunk Pacific Construction

Smithers, Dec. 12.—The post office department has been asked to consider the establishment of a mail service along the line of the Grand Trunk Pacific construction so that many delays now experienced will be eliminated.

An instance of present unsatisfactory conditions is seen east of Smithers. There is no mail service between Francois lake and Fort Fraser post offices, so that letters sent from one of these points to the other, only a few miles apart, must travel many hundred miles around by Vancouver and north again, in order to Some means will probably be found to fill this gap.

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of Vancouver, B. C., occupation Civil Engineer, intends to apply for a licence to prospect for Coal and Petroleum on the following described lands:—

Commencing at a post planted 160 chains south and 40 chains west of the South West corner of Government Reserve on Murray Lake; thence south 80 chains; thence west 80 chains; thence north 80 chains; thence east 80 chains more or less to point of beginning containing 640 acres more or less.

ROBERT LOWE
October 19th., 1913.
John Michell Rolston, agent.

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FORT GEORGE LAND DISTRICT
District of Cariboo

TAKE notice that Frank F. Burdett, of Edson, Alta., occupation Merchant, intends to apply for permission to lease the following described lands:—

Commencing at a post planted at S.E. corner of Lot 5332, thence west 20 chains; thence north 20 chains; thence east 20 chains; thence south 20 chains to point of commencement.

FRANK F. BURDETT.
September 24th, 1913.
James R. McLennan, agent.

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FORT GEORGE LAND DISTRICT
District of Cariboo

TAKE notice that George McCullagh, of Edson, Alta., occupation Jeweller, intends to apply for permission to lease the following described lands:—

Commencing at a post planted 20 chains east of S.E. corner of Lot 5332, thence east 20 chains; thence south 20 chains; thence west 20 chains; thence north 20 chains to point of commencement.

GEORGE McCULLAGH
September 24th, 1913.
James R. McLennan, agent.

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FORT GEORGE LAND DISTRICT
District of Cariboo

TAKE notice that James R. McLennan, of Edson, Alta., occupation Prospector, intends to apply for permission to lease the following described lands:—

Commencing at a post planted 10 chains north of S.E. corner of Lot 5332, thence north 30 chains; thence east 40 chains, to Door River, thence up-stream to point of commencement.

JAMES R. McLENNAN.
September 24th, 1913.
James R. McLennan, agent.

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Coal Act: Form of Notice
FORT FRASER LAND DISTRICT

TAKE notice that I, C. E. Cartwright, of Vancouver, B. C., occupation Civil Engineer, intends to apply for a licence to prospect for Coal and petroleum on the following described lands:—

Commencing at a post planted 80 hains south of intersection of south line of Government Reserve on Murray Lake with south shore of lake: hence north 80 chains; thence west 80 chains; thence south 80 chains; thence east 80 chains more or less to point of beginning, containing 640 acres more or less.

CONWAY EDWARD CARTWRIGHT
October 19th., 1913.
John Michell Rolston, agent.

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FORT FRASER LAND DISTRICT

TAKE notice that I, John M. Rolon, of Vancouver, B. C., occupatiob Civil Engineer, intends to apply for a licence to prospect for Coal and Petroleum on the followiog described lands:—

Commencing at a post planted 160 chains6south and 40 chains west of the South West corner of Government Reserve on Murray Lake, thence east 80 chains; thence north 80 chains; thence west 80 chains; thence south 80 chains more or less to point of beginning, containing 640 acres more or less.

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Schools close for Christmas holidays on Friday.

Wm. Cooke has gone to Quesnel on a ten-day business trip.

Come to the Hayseed dance. Don't forget the time, the place and the girl.

G. W. Gorman, Wm. Dobson and Ben Davies left town yesterday for Edmonton to spend their Christmas holidays.

G. C. Poulin, Dominion immigration agent, has been spending the past week in town.

F. L. Murdoff left yesterday for Vancouver where he will spend the Christmas holidays. His partner, C. M. Goething will return this week from an extended trip to the coast.

H. H. Seamen, manager of the Royal Bank, left Monday for a three months holiday to Eastern Canada. N. H. McLennan of Vancouver will be acting manager during Mr. Seamen's absence.

The appearance of John Boehner's theatre has been greatly mproved by the addition of an artistic drop curtain.

One of the tastefully arranged Christmas windows in town is that of O'Flaherty & Thorne, whose showing of confectionery is attracting the attention of passersby. To the person guessing the correct weight or nearest correct weight of a large candy cane which hangs in the window they will receive the same for their reward. A second, third and fourth prize of four, two and one pound boxes of chocolates will be awarded.

Fred Dregar while cutting ties at the tie camp at Mile 226 on Saturday last had the misfortune to cut his foot. He is at the hospital at Fort George and it will be after Christmas before he will be able to return to work.

Speaking to a Herald reporter today, Fire Chief Campbell declared he was highly pleased with the work of the brigade in the recent fire. We need two more Badger engines, declared the chief, one to be stationed on Hamilton avenue near the Empress and the other in the vicinity of the recent fire where a great many new dwellings have recently been erected. The cost would not amount to over $600 and they would furnish a very necessary addition to the present fire-fighting apparatus. Another thing I would like to suggest is the installation of fire alarm boxes. The cost of these boxes would not be great and they would prove to be of invaluable assistance to the firemen.

### *Only 28 More Days.*

Steel has now reached Mile 204 and is moving at the rate of a mile and a quarter a day, which should bring it to Fort George in 28 days. By that time the temporary bridge across the Fraser will be completed so the rails can be laid directly into Prince George.

### FIRST CHRISTMAS DINNER OVER THE RAILS TO SOUTH FORT GEORGE

A carload of turkeys, geese, ducks, chickens, fowl, seal-shipped oysters and mince-meat reached Mile 204, the present end of steel, last night. Since that is only 32 miles away they will be brought over the road to South Fort George in plenty of time for Christmas. George Milne, superintendent for P. Burns & Co. from Tete Jaune Cache west has teams at the end of steel ready to bring in the Christmas dinners.

## MASQUERADE BALL

**Prizes Go to Mrs. O'Flaherty and Mrs. Dunne.**

The last event ever held in the ill-fated Alamo theatre was the masked ball last Thursday night. It was a most picturesque affair, the costumes being clever and beautiful. Two of the prizes were carried off by South Fort George women, Mrs. F. O'Flaherty, who represented Fatima the Egyptian girl and easily took the first prize, a gold and pearl handled umbrella as the best dressed lady; and Mrs. E. W. Dunne, the lovely rose maid, whose dainty parasol, all of white roses with a border of pink, was most effective. Her prize for the most original costume, lady or gentleman, was a silver photo frame. The other prizes went to Mrs. Charles Albee, who acted Topsy inimitably; H. G. Perry, who came as a Mexican bullfighter, and William Golder, who was a delightful clown.

**BATHS**
**Porcelain tub. Hotel Robarts. . .**

those who attend the entertainment being held in the Fort George Theatre on Tuesday evening next. The programme will consist of songs and choruses to be given by the scholars under the leadership of Mrs. Dunne, exhibition of drill by the boys, and in addition Mrs. McElroy, Mrs. Foster, Messrs. Richmond, Hancock, Dunne and others will contribute to the evening's entertainment. At the conclusion of the programme the children will receive gifts from Santa Claus.

The proceeds are to be devoted to the purchase of a School Library.

## LOCAL HOCKEY ITEMS

At a meeting of the boys of South Fort George, held Monday night, which was presided over by Bud Groce, with Carl Johnson as secretary, it was decided to organize a junior hockey team, and after considerable discussion and careful selection the following lineup was chosen:

Centre, Frank West (captain); left wing, Bud Groce; right wing, Carl Johnson; point, Harper Borland; cover point, Terry Johnson; goal, Jack Yargeau; manager and trainer, Sydney R. Fay.

They hereby challenge any junior hockey team in the district, and would especially like to try conclusions with the boys of Fort George If Jupiter Pluvias permits the city league will start the season next week. Teams representing contractors, merchants, lumbermen, bankers and Hotel Robarts will play for the Ritchie & Clark trophy. Manager Leo Sulivan of the contractors claims the cup is as good as won. John Flynn, pioneer contractor of the Cariboo district, will play point for that team.

"Speed" O'Flaherty of the merchants has received the only Lunn skates in this district.

Robarts, the popular hotelman, is the only manager not boasting of his team, but it is rumored he has already purchased a cup case.

### Vancouver Wants Pitcher Henry.

Jack Henry, the pitcher on the South Fort George baseball team last year, has just received a letter from the Vancouver manager asking him to report for spring practice in the Northwestern League.

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## SPORTING NOTES

### Ritchie Making Money.

Geary Steffen was a chauffeur a couple of years ago. Willie Ritchie, Steffen's nom de fight, made $25,000 in his championship fight with Joe Rivers. Ritchie knocked out Rvers in eleven rounds—thirty-three minutes of actual fighting. Purse and picture royalties netted him $750 a minute for every sixty seconds he fought. For handing Leach Cross an artistic trimming before New York's partizan fans Ritchie received $10,750—$358 a minute.

### Clever as Elephants.

New York, Dec. 4.—In a 10-round bout last night as Madison Square Gardens, Jess Willard of Kansas defeated Carl Morris of Oklahoma. Willard had the better of eight of the ten rounds, one was fairly even, and the other, the third, went to Mossis. The bout was disappointing as both men were slow and there was a good deal of wrestling and hugging with very few clean blows. With the exception of the third round Willard outboxed his opponent, and Morris was cautioned frequently for holding. Both were clumsy, but Willard did the cleverer work. He used a right cross and a right uppercut, while Morris played for the body at close quarters. Morris floundered at times and seemed to have no judgment of distance. The crowd frequently jeered and booed.

### Vaise Anxious to Meet Bayley.

Victoria, Dec. 10.—Frenchy Vaise will come north and give Joe Bayley of Victoria a chance to win back the laurels he lost last summer, if the local promoters will make it worth while for the Canadian lightweight championship. Vaise wired Vic Rollins of the Granville Palace hotel to the effect that he was anxious to come up to Vancouver and meet Bayley in a title match, and he wanted to know the best offer the promoters would make.

### SENATOR ROOT RECEIVES NOBEL PEACE PRIZE

Washington, Dec. 11.—(Special) prize. He received the ... of his work in bringing about peace in the Philippines and in smoothing out American-Japanese troubles.

Montreal, Dec. 11.—(Special.) — At a banquet given last Tuesday to the Hon. Mr. Fielding, former Finance Minister in the Liberal government, Sir Wilfrid Laurier stated that he needed Mr. Fielding back in the House of Commons, and that a way could be found to bring this about in Montreal if it could not be done in Nova Scotia.

### ST. STEPHEN'S CHURCH
**Christmas Services.**

Dec. 24—First evensong, 7:30 p.m. Dec. 25, Christmas Day, Holy communion, 7:30 a. m. Morning prayer, 11 a.m. Dec. 26, St. Stephen (National Festival), Holy communion, 10 a.m.

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