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South Vancouver Will Have Her Own Representative in Dominion Parliament for First Time—South Vancouver and Point Grey Will Now Form Riding of Vancouver South

Redistribution Splits Vancouver City into two Ridings and Places Burnaby in New Westminster Riding---South Vancouver Gets Fair Deal and New Order Will Lend Zest to The Political Life of the Community

Much interest has been aroused throughout South Vancouver over the Redistribution Bill, which is to be brought down in the House of Commons.

In the re-subdivision of British Columbia for Dominion electoral purposes, South Vancouver, with Point Grey, has been designated as the constituency of Vancouver, South.

This will mean that at the next election for the House of Commons, the people of South Vancouver will have the privilege of electing a member of their own.

Vancouver will henceforth have two seats—Vancouver and Burrard. It is said that there was a great fight between the Liberals and Conservatives on this point. Mr. H. H. Stevens, M. P., wanted Vancouver to have two members to be elected at large, and it was only after very strenuous fighting that the city was finally cut in two.

British Columbia will henceforth have thirteen members in the House of Commons in place of seven of days gone by. The representation of the province will, doubtless, be materially changed as a result of this redistribution.

Though Point Grey is combined in the new riding of Vancouver, South, the population of South Vancouver being three or four times as great as that of Point Grey, the new order of things will mean that South Vancouver will have the balance of power, and in the next parliament will have her own representative in Ottawa to fight for a square deal for the municipality from the Dominion treasury.

Just who this representative is likely to be cannot very well be guessed at from present conditions. That the Conservatives have a strong hold on South Vancouver is well known, but the fact that South Vancouver is largely a working man's constituency will mean that the Liberals or the Radicals will be heard from in no uncertain tones.

When the next election comes around there will be no scarcity of candidates in any of the parties. At the present moment, Mr. R. C. Hodgson looms large in the Conservative ranks. As for the Liberals—a prominent Liberal said, upon hearing the news of the redistribution, that there were so many strong men in the Liberal party at this time that it would be difficult to say just who would likely turn up in the event of an election being brought on.

The fact that South Vancouver has come into her own, so far as the Dominion Parliament is concerned, will lend a zest to the political life of the district. It will also mean that the Provincial authorities will have to bring on a redistribution before the next provincial election, when South Vancouver, on the basis of population, should have two or three representatives at Victoria.

At present South Vancouver makes up a small part of the riding of Richmond, which is larger in area, it is said, than the whole of England, some parts of the riding not yet having been explored.

Following are the divisions which have been made on the Lower Mainland:

1.—The electoral district of New Westminster, comprising the provincial electoral districts of New Westminster city and Delta and all that portion of the provincial district of Richmond lying south of Burrard Inlet, excepting the municipalities of Vancouver city, South Vancouver and Point Grey.

2.—The electoral district of Westminster, comprising the provincial electoral districts of Dewdney and Chilliwack, and all that portion of the provincial electoral district of Yale, adjoining the provincial electoral districts of Chilliwack and Dewdney, bounded by a line commencing at the southeast corner of the provincial electoral district of Chilliwack, thence easterly along the international boundary to its point of intersection with the westerly boundary of the provincial electoral district of Similkameen, thence northerly following said last mentioned boundary to the northwest corner of the said provincial electoral district of Similkameen, thence in a straight line westerly to a point on the north bank of the Fraser River, one mile east of the village of Yale, thence following a straight line to the northwest corner of the provincial electoral district of Dewdney.

Vancouver's Divisions.

3.—The electoral district of Vancouver centre comprising Ward One of the city of Vancouver together with Stanley Park and Wards Two, Three and Four of the said city of Vancouver.

4.—The electoral district of Burrard, comprising Wards Five, Six, Seven and Eight of the city of Vancouver and that portion of the electoral district of Richmond, which lies within the following described limits:

Commencing at the northwest corner of the provincial electoral district of Dewdney, thence in a southwesterly direction along the easterly shore of Howe Sound to Burrard Inlet, thence in an easterly direction along the western shore of the north arm of the said Burrard Inlet to the northerly extremity of the said north arm and northerly to the point of commencement.

Takes in Point Grey.

5.—The electoral district of Vancouver south, comprising the municipalities of South Vancouver and Point Grey.

Mr. H. C. Brewster, leader of the Liberal party in B. C., Kalenberg Hall, June 19.

Women Voters.

The South Vancouver Women Voters' League will hold their regular monthly business meeting at the home of Mrs. M. C. Thompson, 761 Thirteenth Avenue East, on Tuesday, June 25, at 3 o'clock. This meeting will be preceeded by an executive meeting at 2 o'clock.

Liberal Meeting.

About one hundred and fifty people were present at the Liberal meeting held in Ash Hall, Fraser Avenue, on June 6, under the auspices of the Liberal Association of Ward VIII. Mr. Heath presided. Addresses were made by Mrs. W. A. McConkey, Mr. John Oliver, who spoke on "Land and Its Relation to Industry," and Mr. G. M. Murray.

Under the auspices of the Womens' Auxiliary of St. Peter's Church, a garden party will be held on the grounds of Mrs. Draper, on Wilson Road or Forty-third Avenue, just west of the Municipal Hall, from 3 to 5 o'clock. This will be followed, in the evening, by a social from 7 to 10 o'clock. Strawberries and ice cream will be served during the afternoon and evening.

To Celebrate the Birth of Vancouver South, Leading Liberals Will Hold Mass Meeting

Kalenberg Hall Chosen for Event, Which will Take Place Friday Evening, June 19—Leader Brewster Will Speak as well As Honest John Oliver and Mr. M. A. Macdonald

To celebrate the birth of the new constituency, Vancouver South, Liberals from far and wide will gather at Kalenberg Hall, Friday evening, June 19, when the Liberal leader, Mr. H. C. Brewster, Honest John Oliver and Mr. Malcolm Archibald Macdonald will be the chief speakers.

South Hill Liberal Association, Main Street Liberal Associations and the various other organizations throughout the municipality will join together to make the event a great success.

While it is likely that the order will be slightly better, the expectations of the committee in charge believe that there will be a bigger crowd on hand than ever attended the most exciting Gold meeting of the past few elections.

Reeve Kerr has been asked to take the chair and there will be a programme of music.

Mr. Brewster will deal generally with the political situation in British Columbia, basing his remarks on a thorough investigation of affairs in all quarters of the province.

Mr. Oliver will confine himself to the Land Question, with which he is very familiar, and he will show how ten years of McBride administration has brought about a deplorable condition of affairs in this province, a condition which has not its parallel anywhere else on the North American continent.

Mr. Macdonald will likely touch upon Federal affairs.

The meeting promises to be one which will warrant the attention of all ratepayers in South Vancouver and Point Grey.

It will be of particular interest in view of the recent formation of South Vancouver and Point Grey into a Federal electoral district. Mr. Frank Henderson, prominent in the Main Street Liberal Club, has arrangements for the meeting well in hand, and it is expected that the event will close a very active season of Liberal organization on the Fraser slope.

Local Items of Interest

Work on the erection of wharves on South Vancouver's portion of the North Arm is being proceeded with by the North Fraser Harbor Commission.

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Reeve Kerr promises to take up forthwith an investigation of the plan to have all vacant property in South Vancouver cleared at the expense of the municipality, the cost of same to be financed by a levy upon those benefitting.

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Mr. W. J. Allen has returned from a trip to Calgary and American cities throughout the Northwest. "They are all headed for Vancouver," he said, in an interview with the Chinook. "Every business man I met in my journey assured me that just so soon as he could sell out his business and retire, he would come to South Vancouver to live." Mr. Allen says that the money tightness is general, but that Vancouver stands very high in the opinion of the business men of the Northwest.

Willard Lodge.

At the annual meeting of the Willard Lodge, established by the W. C. T. U., which took place at the newly-established home, 937 Burrard Street, on Friday afternoon, Mrs. Esselmont of South Vancouver was re-elected president, Mrs. W. J. Hall, vice-president; Mrs. H. G. Barber, recording secretary; Mrs. F. Patterson, corresponding secretary, and Mrs. A. G. MacMillan, treasurer.

The formal opening of the new Willard Lodge takes place on Thursday evening, June 25.

In connection with the Pageant a pictorial record will be published, photographs having been taken of all floats. This pictorial record will be on sale at the various news agents and can be obtained at the Chinook Office. This will be a permanent memento of what Vancouver did in the Pageant.

South Vancouver Has Done Nobly

Led by Marshall John Mouat, the South Vancouver section of the great pageant of Vancouver, was undoubtedly the most striking in the seven-mile procession which passed through the streets of Vancouver Friday. South Vancouver's showing was generally commented upon, and the public-spirited citizens who máde the event possible have the satisfaction of knowing that they have succeeded in giving South Vancouver the best advertisement she has ever had. Among the gentlemen who are responsible for the part South Vancouver played in the pageant are: President Hodgson, of the Board of Trade; Reeve Kerr, Councillors Rutledge, George Stevens, Rowlings, Twiddy, Thomas, Winram and Millar; Messrs. W. J. Prowse, J. C. Wright, Thomas Prentice, Clerk J. B. Springford, Assessor Thompson, Donald Burgess, C. Bruce and the Coast Lumber and Fuel Company, Mr. Harvey of the Dominion Creosoting Company, Dr. Giles B. Murphy, Chief Lester and his men, Chief Bramwell and his men, the gentlemen of the Municipal Hall staff, and many citizens who generously placed their cars at the service of the municipality. South Vancouver has never lacked in public spirit, but the showing made this week, has widely been regarded as splendid in every sense of the word.

CHARLES THOMSON AS HENRY V.

Mr. Chas. Thomson will impersonate the Hero of "Agincourt" in the great Pageant and also in the Horse Show Building Concert on Thursday, June 11th, at the head of a troupe of knights in armour. He will meet the "Queen of the May" of New Westminster at Mount Pleasant on Pageant Day, Friday, June 12th. People of Mount Pleasant should look for this unique meeting.

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FROM THE HEART OF SOUTH VANCOUVER

The Week's Budget from CEDAR COTTAGE

The Junior League of the Robson Memorial Church held the first picnic of the season at Buffalo Park on Saturday afternoon of last week, at which there were 45 in attendance. The young people were chaperoned by Mrs. Cowan, Mrs. George Whelan and Mrs. Harry Whelan. There were games and refreshments and the afternoon spent in a most happy manner.

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One of the first of a series of June weddings to occur in Cedar Cottage was that of Miss Catherine Travis and Mr. John Andrew, who were married in St. Margaret's Church, June 3rd, by Rev. William Bell. The bride, who was attended by her sister, Miss Mabel Travis, looked charming, gowned in soft silk crepe de chine and wearing the bridal veil and orange blossoms. The happy couple left immediately following the ceremony for their honeymoon trip, and upon their return will reside at 5075 Highgate Street.

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Mr. and Mrs. Buntain, of Victoria Road, are rejoicing over the advent of a new boy in their home.

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At the regular monthly meeting of the Cedar Cottage Branch of the B.C. Political Equality League, held on the first Monday in June, at the home of Mrs. Kidd, the following ladies were appointed as delegates to the Annual Convention. Mrs. McIntyre, Mrs. Craig, Mrs. Jackson, Mrs. Wiggins and Mrs. Coulter. The Convention will be held June 19th in the First Congregational Church, Vancouver, and it is expected that every member of the Cedar Cottage branch will be in attendance, both at the business meetings during the day and at the public meeting and banquet in the evening.

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On Tuesday evening of last week the Sunshine Mission Circle held their monthly meeing at the home of Mrs. Read on Thyne Road. In addition to the regular routine business transacted, Miss Hilda Manuel gave to the Circle her report of the Chilliwack Convention, which was of much interest to the members, and indicated that the various cirlcles of the Province were doing much good work. This busy little Society will hold their next meeting in Buffalo Park.

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The Epworth League of the Robson Memorial Church was represented by a delegation of 49 at the annual meeting of the Christian Endeavor Society at New Westminster last week. The young people went in a special car on Tuesday evening, and had a pleasant and profitable time, many noted speakers and splendid music making the programme of more than ordinary interest.

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Little four-year-old Spracklin Whelan met with an unfortunate accident last week when he fell and broke his arm.

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Mrs. Butchart, of Bruce Street, has gone to Toronto to visit a sister who is ill.

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Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Bryson of the Lakeview Apartments, are receiving congratulations on the birth of a little daughter.

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The Robson Memorial W.M.S. held their regular monthly meeting in the church on Tuesday afternoon. Mrs. Whelan had charge of the devotional services and Mrs. Cowan gave an intresting report of the recent Chilliwack Convention.

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Mr. and Mrs. S. D. Wolhampter, former residents of Woodstock, Ontario, who have spent the last year with their daughter, Mrs. (Dr.) Hunter, and have made many friends in Cedar Cottage, have bought a place at Jubilee Station, and are now enjoying country life, and all the pleasures that pertain to gardening and chichen raising in "Burnaby the beautiful.'

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At the monthly meeting of the W. C. T. M., held last week in the Robson Memorial Church, Mrs. Turnbull gave a most excellent address on the care and training of girls, which all mothers present thoroughly appreciated. Mrs. Fred. Holmes was selected as delegate to the Annual W. C. T. U. Convention to be held in Victoria on June 18th.

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On Friday evening Dr. and Mrs. Kinney of Commercial Street entertained at dinner, Dr. Drier and his wife, also Mrs. Drier's parents, Rev. Read and his wife, who have recetly attended the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church of the United States, held in Chicago, and are now en route to their home in Washington State.

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Snapshots of Local Interest

Mrs. J. W. Litch will be at home on Thursday afternoon, June 18, at her residence, 739 Twenty-ninth Avenue East.

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Mrs. Lonsbury, Mrs. Cleather and Mrs. Reid read interesting papers on "Burmah" at the Ladies Missionary Circle, which met in the Ruth Morton Memorial Church on Tuesday.

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Mr. and Mrs. John McDowell were recent visitors at the home of their son, Mr. F. McDowell, 4244 Ontario Street. They are accompanied by their daughter Miss Perlee McDowell. The party are on their way to their home in Truro, N. S., after spending several years visiting the coast cities. They are very much pleased with the country and may shortly return to the west.

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Rev. Mr. Litch goes to North Vancouver on Sunday morning where he will preach in the First Baptist church.

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The graduating exercises of the primary class of the Ruth Morton Sunday School will be held on Sunday morning, June 21, when this class will enter the senior class. This will be "Children's Day" in the church.

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Mr. W. W. James arrived from Whaletown last week and completed the sale of his place on Forty-sixth avenue east while here to Mr. Albert Ladouceur of Vancouver, who intends shortly to take up his residence there. Mrs. James and children will leave for Whaletown at the close of the school year.

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The Mothers' Meeting of the Ruth Morton Church will be held on Friday, June 19.

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Mr. Bradbery, of 136 Forty-fourth Avenue West, spent last week in Victoria. Mrs. Bradbery spent the week end with her sister in Nanaimo.

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Rev. T. Clinton Parker will preach at the morning service of the Ruth Morton Church on Sunday.

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Mr. and Mrs. Hadley of Fortieth Avenue and Prince Edward Street were made the happy parents of a daughter on Friday of last week.

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Councillor and Mrs. Thomas spent the week end at Langley.

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Mr. and Mrs. Butler and little girl have moved into a home on Forty-second Avenue.

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Rev. H. C. Lewis Hooper will take charge of the evening service at St. Peter's Church on Sunday and Rev. Mr. G. C. F. Caffin will preach at All Saints Church.

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Mr. Allen, who has been in Calgary for several weeks looking over the oil situation, returned on Monday.

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Messrs. W. G. Armstrong, W. Armstrong, and G. Hamilton were delegates to the Anglican Synod of New Westminster diocese which met at St. Paul's Church, city, this week.

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Rev. Mr. Freeman opened his pastorate in the Ferdis Road Church on Sunday last.

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Miss M. E. Lindsay, who has pupils in Sauth Vancouver, gave a musical for her class in her apartments at the Granville Palace on Wednesday evening.

The most ideal thing on a hot day in summer is to step out of the blazing sun into a modern, cool ice cream parlor and listen to nice music and the soughing of the electric fan while you eat ice cream and high class confectionery or drink wholesome refreshing iced drinks. All these things may be had at the Chinook Ice Cream Parlor, 4521 Main Street. Drink some of their nice buttermilk out of polished crystal glasses.

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Tyne Street Improvement Association

With the object of widening and paving the Tyne roadway from Kingsway to the Fraser River, under the local improvement plan, about forty ratepayers of Tyne Street have formed an Association and elected Mr. J. B. Todrick, president, and Mr. Hillis, secretary.

Band Concert Postponed

The band concert by the South Vancouver Citizen's Band which was to be given last Sunday at Wilson Park was postponed on account of the weather.

Reeve Kerr Entertained

Reeve Kerr was entertained by the American Club at the "Round Table" luncheon, on Saturday last at the Yorkshire Building. He spoke to the club of the great future of Vancouver, citing the great resources of the province and the benefit of the Panama Canal. Dr. W. J. Briggs responded for the club.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Cross, "The Burn," River Road, left last week for a six months' visit to Great Britain and the continent. En route they expect to spend several days with their daughter in Toronto.

Teachers' Association Picnic

The Annual Picnic of the Teachers' Association was held on Saturday at Bowen Island. About fifty teachers and friends left the Vancouver wharf on the SS. Bowena, returning in the evening.

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Liberal Association Picnic

The Liberal Association is arranging for a picnic to Bowen Island, to be held during the second week of July.

Gossip from Victoria Heights

Several large owners of vacant property on Victoria Road seem adverse to the paving, or rather expense of paving. Five hundred thousand looks a large amount on top of what has already been spent, or wasted on this road, but any one who watched the fire autos going over the planks to the two fires we had this week must have realized the necessity of something being done to avoid accident and loss of life.

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Two fires, the first on 47th, near Nanaimo, at Mr. McInnes' house, was caused by boiling tar on the kitchen range. The effect was a fright and the warning an inside coating of black soot. The brigade arrived six minutes after the alarm was rung in.

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The second fire left Messrs. Gregory and Clarke on 53rd Avenue homeless. The fire had gained too great a hold before it was discovered.

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Owners of vacant property should notify the insurance company of the fact, if they wish to be protected. Read your policies.

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Two more Swedes have sold out their schaakes and taken pre-emptions near the P.G.E. Railway, above Clinton. This makes six who have gone up there from here. They were occupied as land clearers and municipal workers, but have wisely gone where there is suitable work and land to be had. There may be a dearth of casual labor here yet, but unless there is work, next winter will be harder than last for the unemployed. Shingle-bolts and cord wood helped out last year but this means of livelihood has nearly all gone now, and the disappearance of ugly and dangerous stumps has improved the look of the municipality.

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The Women's Guild of the St. Columba Presbyterian Church, Victoria Drive, were at home to their friends of the congregation on Monday evening last. The church hall was tastefully arranged with small tables, decorated with roses, carnations, etc., which lent a home-like atmosphere to the room. Tea and cake was served by the ladies to their guests after which an excellent programme of songs was enjoyed. During the evening each member of the guild told her experiences in making the talent of $1.00 given to her three months to bear interest. These experiences as they were recited caused mirth and amusement to the company. The winner of the prize of a gold armlet, presented by the guild, was won by Mrs. Bestwitherick. Towards the close of the programme Mrs. Crosbie, on behalf of the company present, extended to Miss Emslie, the president of the women's guild, their heartiest wishes for an enjoyable holiday and a safe return. Miss Emslie is leaving for the East this week. Those contributing to the success of the evening were Mrs. Crosbie, Mrs Johnstone, Mrs. Michie.

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Last Saturday afternoon the Tennis Club of St. Columba Church were At Home to the tennis club of the First Presbyterian Church. Some very close and exciting games took place between the members of the clubs. The court, kindly lent by Mr. Robinson, was in splendid condition for a fast game. Tea was served during the afternoon, the St. Columba Club acting as hosts.

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Nurse Potter has returned from the Northern Sea Port, where she was called to await the arrival of some little Prince and Princess Rupertians.

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St. Columba Church—Services for June 7

Morning service at 11 a.m. Subject—Malachi. Anthem—Pilot of Galilee.

Evening service at 7.30 p.m. Memorial service. Anthem—Father Omnipotent. Solos by Miss Menzies and Mrs. Crosbie.

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Talent Money

A ladies experience:

I know for certain that I lost a lot of sleep thinking how to make my "talent" bear interest. However after great thought and one or two wakeful nights, I decided to make children's clothes, which I found no difficulty in selling. I made a baby's detachable hat, which was to come to pieces for washing. The baby soon proved it was detachable for in about one hour he had it all to pieces. However I had better success with other garments and in all I made my talent bear four hundred fold.

The Talent

The church in which my lot I've cast
Is some financially embarrassed,
And if we would our coffers fill
We'll have to work some miracle.
The ladies' guild have got a plan,
From a parable of the Son of Man,
In a chapter of St. Matthew's book,
We each of us a talent took
(Like the good servant of whom we're told)
To multiply a hundred fold.
For weeks I thought of every thing
That would to me a profit bring.
I asked a friend what I would do
To make one dollar into two.
A cooked chicken I sought to can,
And tried some samples on my man
With no results to cause alarm.
Well, says I, where is the harm,
I'll make something that's fit to eat,
And so I made some potted meat.
Pieces that cost about a dime
I sold for fifteen cents a time,
So in this way I did contrive
To make one dollar thirty-five.

Wedding—Napier-Oliver

On Friday evening, June 5, a pretty house wedding took place at the home of the groom's parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Oliver, 4260 John Street, when Miss Margaret Campbell Napier, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Napier of Dunfermline, Scotland, and Mr. Alexander Dunlop Oliver, were married in the presence of a large number of friends and relatives.

Miss Moir, of Duff Street, acted as bridesmaid, and Mr. John Oliver, brother of the groom, was best man. Rev. George D. Ireland performed the ceremony. After the marriage the guests sat down to the wedding supper. Mr. and Mrs. Oliver left Saturday for their new home at Agammenon Bay.

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The C.N.R. and the Creek

It is over a year now since the bylaws were submited to the people handing over the bed of False Creek to the Canadian Northern Railway.

Quite a strenuous campaign was carried on and the upholders of the agreement dwelt very strongly on the immediate benefits that would come to Vancouver—and, of course, to the workers especially—if the bylaw was carried.

The point that seemed to carry most weight, and which was enlarged upon at all times by those in favor of the agreement, was that the big undertaking of erecting a modern station would give employment to thousands of Vancouver men.

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FROM THE HEART OF SOUTH VANCOUVER

The Week's Budget from CEDAR COTTAGE

The Junior League of the Robson Memorial Church held the first picnic of the season at Buffalo Park on Saturday afternoon of last week, at which there were 45 in attendance. The young people were chaperoned by Mrs. Cowan, Mrs. George Whelan and Mrs. Harry Whelan. There were games and refreshments and the afternoon spent in a most happy manner.

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One of the first of a series of June weddings to occur in Cedar Cottage was that of Miss Catherine Travis and Mr. John Andrew, who were married in St. Margaret's Church, June 3rd, by Rev. William Bell. The bride, who was attended by her sister, Miss Mabel Travis, looked charming, gowned in soft silk crepe de chine and wearing the bridal veil and orange blossoms. The happy couple left immediately following the ceremony for their honeymoon trip, and upon their return will reside at 5075 Highgate Street.

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Mr. and Mrs. Buntain, of Victoria Road, are rejoicing over the advent of a new boy in their home.

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At the regular monthly meeting of the Cedar Cottage Branch of the B.C. Political Equality League, held on the first Monday in June, at the home of Mrs. Kidd, the following ladies were appointed as delegates to the Annual Convention. Mrs. McIntyre, Mrs. Craig, Mrs. Jackson, Mrs. Wiggins and Mrs. Coulter. The Convention will be held June 19th in the First Congregational Church, Vancouver, and it is expected that every member of the Cedar Cottage branch will be in attendance, both at the business meetings during the day and at the public meeting and banquet in the evening.

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On Tuesday evening of last week the Sunshine Mission Circle held their monthly meeing at the home of Mrs. Read on Thyne Road. In addition to the regular routine business transacted, Miss Hilda Manuel gave to the Circle her report of the Chilliwack Convention, which was of much interest to the members, and indicated that the various cirlcles of the Province were doing much good work. This busy little Society will hold their next meeting in Buffalo Park.

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The Epworth League of the Robson Memorial Church was represented by a delegation of 49 at the annual meeting of the Christian Endeavor Society at New Westminster last week. The young people went in a special car on Tuesday evening, and had a pleasant and profitable time, many noted speakers and splendid music making the programme of more than ordinary interest.

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Little four-year-old Spracklin Whelan met with an unfortunate accident last week when he fell and broke his arm.

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Mrs. Butchart, of Bruce Street, has gone to Toronto to visit a sister who is ill.

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Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Bryson of the Lakeview Apartments, are receiving congratulations on the birth of a little daughter.

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The Robson Memorial W.M.S. held their regular monthly meeting in the church on Tuesday afternoon. Mrs. Whelan had charge of the devotional services and Mrs. Cowan gave an intresting report of the recent Chilliwack Convention.

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Mr. and Mrs. S. D. Wolhampter, former residents of Woodstock, Ontario, who have spent the last year with their daughter, Mrs. (Dr.) Hunter, and have made many friends in Cedar Cottage, have bought a place at Jubilee Station, and are now enjoying country life, and all the pleasures that pertain to gardening and chichen raising in "Burnaby the beautiful.'

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At the monthly meeting of the W. C. T. M., held last week in the Robson Memorial Church, Mrs. Turnbull gave a most excellent address on the care and training of girls, which all mothers present thoroughly appreciated. Mrs. Fred. Holmes was selected as delegate to the Annual W. C. T. U. Convention to be held in Victoria on June 18th.

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On Friday evening Dr. and Mrs. Kinney of Commercial Street entertained at dinner, Dr. Drier and his wife, also Mrs. Drier's parents, Rev. Read and his wife, who have recetly attended the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church of the United States, held in Chicago, and are now en route to their home in Washington State.

Snapshots of Local Interest

Mrs. J. W. Litch will be at home on Thursday afternoon, June 18, at her residence, 739 Twenty-ninth Avenue East.

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Mrs. Lonsbury, Mrs. Cleather and Mrs. Reid read interesting papers on "Burmah" at the Ladies Missionary Circle, which met in the Ruth Morton Memorial Church on Tuesday.

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Mr. and Mrs. John McDowell were recent visitors at the home of their son, Mr. F. McDowell, 4244 Ontario Street. They are accompanied by their daughter Miss Perlee McDowell. The party are on their way to their home in Truro, N. S., after spending several years visiting the coast cities. They are very much pleased with the country and may shortly return to the west.

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Rev. Mr. Litch goes to North Vancouver on Sunday morning where he will preach in the First Baptist church.

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The graduating exercises of the primary class of the Ruth Morton Sunday School will be held on Sunday morning, June 21, when this class will enter the senior class. This will be "Children's Day" in the church.

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Mr. W. W. James arrived from Whaletown last week and completed the sale of his place on Forty-sixth avenue east while here to Mr. Albert Ladouceur of Vancouver, who intends shortly to take up his residence there. Mrs. James and children will leave for Whaletown at the close of the school year.

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The Mothers' Meeting of the Ruth Morton Church will be held on Friday, June 19.

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Mr. Bradbery, of 136 Forty-fourth Avenue West, spent last week in Victoria. Mrs. Bradbery spent the week end with her sister in Nanaimo.

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Rev. T. Clinton Parker will preach at the morning service of the Ruth Morton Church on Sunday.

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Mr. and Mrs. Hadley of Fortieth Avenue and Prince Edward Street were made the happy parents of a daughter on Friday of last week.

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Councillor and Mrs. Thomas spent the week end at Langley.

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Mr. and Mrs. Butler and little girl have moved into a home on Forty-second Avenue.

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Rev. H. C. Lewis Hooper will take charge of the evening service at St. Peter's Church on Sunday and Rev. Mr. G. C. F. Caffin will preach at All Saints Church.

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Mr. Allen, who has been in Calgary for several weeks looking over the oil situation, returned on Monday.

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Messrs. W. G. Armstrong, W. Armstrong, and G. Hamilton were delegates to the Anglican Synod of New Westminster diocese which met at St. Paul's Church, city, this week.

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Rev. Mr. Freeman opened his pastorate in the Ferdis Road Church on Sunday last.

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Miss M. E. Lindsay, who has pupils in Sauth Vancouver, gave a musical for her class in her apartments at the Granville Palace on Wednesday evening.

The most ideal thing on a hot day in summer is to step out of the blazing sun into a modern, cool ice cream parlor and listen to nice music and the soughing of the electric fan while you eat ice cream and high class confectionery or drink wholesome refreshing iced drinks. All these things may be had at the Chinook Ice Cream Parlor, 4521 Main Street. Drink some of their nice buttermilk out of polished crystal glasses.

Feed Store

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Tyne Street Improvement Association

With the object of widening and paving the Tyne roadway from Kingsway to the Fraser River, under the local improvement plan, about forty ratepayers of Tyne Street have formed an Association and elected Mr. J. B. Todrick, president, and Mr. Hillis, secretary.

Band Concert Postponed

The band concert by the South Vancouver Citizen's Band which was to be given last Sunday at Wilson Park was postponed on account of the weather.

Reeve Kerr Entertained

Reeve Kerr was entertained by the American Club at the "Round Table" luncheon, on Saturday last at the Yorkshire Building. He spoke to the club of the great future of Vancouver, citing the great resources of the province and the benefit of the Panama Canal. Dr. W. J. Briggs responded for the club.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Cross, "The Burn," River Road, left last week for a six months' visit to Great Britain and the continent. En route they expect to spend several days with their daughter in Toronto.

Teachers' Association Picnic

The Annual Picnic of the Teachers' Association was held on Saturday at Bowen Island. About fifty teachers and friends left the Vancouver wharf on the SS. Bowena, returning in the evening.

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Liberal Association Picnic

The Liberal Association is arranging for a picnic to Bowen Island, to be held during the second week of July.

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Gossip from Victoria Heights

Several large owners of vacant property on Victoria Road seem adverse to the paving, or rather expense of paving. Five hundred thousand looks a large amount on top of what has already been spent, or wasted on this road, but any one who watched the fire autos going over the planks to the two fires we had this week must have realized the necessity of something being done to avoid accident and loss of life.

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Two fires, the first on 47th, near Nanaimo, at Mr. McInnes' house, was caused by boiling tar on the kitchen range. The effect was a fright and the warning an inside coating of black soot. The brigade arrived six minutes after the alarm was rung in.

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The second fire left Messrs. Gregory and Clarke on 53rd Avenue homeless. The fire had gained too great a hold before it was discovered.

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Owners of vacant property should notify the insurance company of the fact, if they wish to be protected. Read your policies.

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Two more Swedes have sold out their schaakes and taken pre-emptions near the P.G.E. Railway, above Clinton. This makes six who have gone up there from here. They were occupied as land clearers and municipal workers, but have wisely gone where there is suitable work and land to be had. There may be a dearth of casual labor here yet, but unless there is work, next winter will be harder than last for the unemployed. Shingle-bolts and cord wood helped out last year but this means of livelihood has nearly all gone now, and the disappearance of ugly and dangerous stumps has improved the look of the municipality.

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The Women's Guild of the St. Columba Presbyterian Church, Victoria Drive, were at home to their friends of the congregation on Monday evening last. The church hall was tastefully arranged with small tables, decorated with roses, carnations, etc., which lent a home-like atmosphere to the room. Tea and cake was served by the ladies to their guests after which an excellent programme of songs was enjoyed. During the evening each member of the guild told her experiences in making the talent of $1.00 given to her three months to bear interest. These experiences as they were recited caused mirth and amusement to the company. The winner of the prize of a gold armlet, presented by the guild, was won by Mrs. Bestwitherick. Towards the close of the programme Mrs. Crosbie, on behalf of the company present, extended to Miss Emslie, the president of the women's guild, their heartiest wishes for an enjoyable holiday and a safe return. Miss Emslie is leaving for the East this week. Those contributing to the success of the evening were Mrs. Crosbie, Mrs Johnstone, Mrs. Michie.

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Last Saturday afternoon the Tennis Club of St. Columba Church were At Home to the tennis club of the First Presbyterian Church. Some very close and exciting games took place between the members of the clubs. The court, kindly lent by Mr. Robinson, was in splendid condition for a fast game. Tea was served during the afternoon, the St. Columba Club acting as hosts.

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Nurse Potter has returned from the Northern Sea Port, where she was called to await the arrival of some little Prince and Princess Rupertians.

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St. Columba Church—Services for June 7

Morning service at 11 a.m. Subject—Malachi. Anthem—Pilot of Galilee.

Evening service at 7.30 p.m. Memorial service. Anthem—Father Omnipotent. Solos by Miss Menzies and Mrs. Crosbie.

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Talent Money

A ladies experience:

I know for certain that I lost a lot of sleep thinking how to make my "talent" bear interest. However after great thought and one or two wakeful nights, I decided to make children's clothes, which I found no difficulty in selling. I made a baby's detachable hat, which was to come to pieces for washing. The baby soon proved it was detachable for in about one hour he had it all to pieces. However I had better success with other garments and in all I made my talent bear four hundred fold.

The Talent

The church in which my lot I've cast
Is some financially embarrassed,
And if we would our coffers fill
We'll have to work some miracle.
The ladies' guild have got a plan,
From a parable of the Son of Man,
In a chapter of St. Matthew's book,
We each of us a talent took
(Like the good servant of whom we're told)
To multiply a hundred fold.
For weeks I thought of every thing
That would to me a profit bring,
I asked a friend what I would do
To make one dollar into two.
A cooked chicken I sought to can,
And tried some samples on my man
With no results to cause alarm.
Well, says I, where is the harm,
I'il make something that's fit to eat,
And so I made some potted meat.
Pieces that cost about a dime
I sold for fifteen cents a time,
So in this way I did contrive
To make one dollar thirty-five.

Wedding—Napier-Oliver

On Friday evening, June 5, a pretty house wedding took place at the home of the groom's parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Oliver, 4260 John Street, when Miss Margaret Campbell Napier, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Napier of Dunfermline, Scotland, and Mr. Alexander Dunlop Oliver, were married in the presence of a large number of friends and relatives.

Miss Moir, of Duff Street, acted as bridesmaid, and Mr. John Oliver, brother of the groom, was best man. Rev. George D. Ireland performed the ceremony. After the marriage the guests sat down to the wedding supper. Mr. and Mrs. Oliver left Saturday for their new home at Agammenon Bay.

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South Vancouver School Board

Delegates from the South Vancouver Temperance and Moral Reform Association waited on the School Board at their meeting on Tuesday evening, requesting that the teaching of sex hygiene be introduced into the schools. Chairman Whelpton informed the deputation that the matter would have to be taken up with the Education Department.

At the meeting Carleton, Moberly, and Wolfe schools were selected as the centre schools for domestic science, and Carleton, Tecumseh, Selkirk, Moberly and Wolfe as needle work centres. The report of the school bank showed that $376.80 had been deposited by pupils during the month of May, making a total of $1,847.35.

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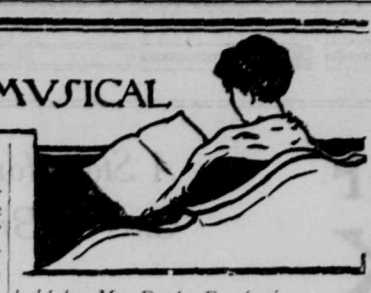

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In the present dearth of high-class dramatic entertainment, the presentation of such a play as "Man and Superman," with such an artiste as Nance O'Neill heading the cast is an attraction extraordinary.

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With each new production of a Shaw play, the wonder grows why managers persisted so long in declaring his work to be unactable. His technique is admirable, his development of his subject as straight and direct in comedy as is Ibsen's in tragedy, and while to some there may be a paucity of action, the dialogue is so brilliant, and witty paradox follows epigram in such swift succession, that one is kept laughing uproariously from rise of first curtain to fall of last.

The story of the play relates the relentless pursuit of an eligible young man, by a scheming, mendacious, audacious young woman, who finally corners and captures him.

There is much beside Shaw dialogue and amazements to entertain in the play; delightful climaxes, automobile chatter, pretty scenes, frocks and banter.

Miss O'Neill will have the role of Ann Whitefield; it is in a somewhat lighter vein than the roles in which she has thus far appeared but is equally exacting.

The entire company will appear in the support, with Mr. Hickman in the role of John Tanner, originally played by Robert Loraine.

But few opportunities now remain for witnessing Miss O'Neill's wonderful portrayal of Dumas' heroine, "Camille."

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But while conceding to Miss O'Neill the stellar honors she richly deserves, the production in its entirety likewise merits high praise.

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Successful Teacher of Music

We have much pleasure in announcing that at the musical examination held by Mr. D. A. Perrin in connection with McGill College, on May 27 and 28, ten of Mr. Thomas Shankie's pupils were entered and all passed, four of them with distinction, which indicates 130 marks or more, out of a possible 150. Four of these entered for "theory" in April and three passed, making in all 13 passes out of 14 entries. The names of the pupils are as follows: theory, Miss Maud Brown, fifth grade, Mr. John Boyd, fourth grade, and Mr. Robert Bryson, fifth grade; practical piano, Miss Bessie Dunsmuir, with distinction, Miss Minora Higgins, with distinction, Mr. John Boyd, with distinction, Miss Mary McNeil and Miss Myrtle McLennan, passed; violin, Mr. Robert Bryson, with distinction, Miss Maud Brown and Masters Charles Moore, James Pitcairn, Randolph Hayes, passed.

It may be mentioned that Mr. Shankie, along with his brother, Mr. D. H. Shankie, who is employed with the B.C. Gas Co., intends leaving for Scotland about the middle of next month to be present at the celebration of their fathers and mother's golden wedding which takes place on the 12th of August. Mr. Shankie will return early in September, when he expects to again resume his work.

Mr Shankie has been in Canada nine years, four of which he spent in Winnipeg, a short time in the Okanagan and the last four in Vancouver. During his time here his record for pupils returned for exams. is as follows: 1911, one pupil entered with two exams., theory and piano, passed in both; 1912, three pupils entered, two passed; 1913, six pupils, ten exams., eight passed, among whom were Miss Elsie Naumann (13 years), first prize winner, Vancouver Eistedfod (Opera House), May 23, 1912. For this there were nineteen entries. 1914, ten pupils, 14 exams., 13 passes. Total for four years, 20 pupils, 19 passed, 30 exams., 25 passes.

Mr. Shankie has also given two pupils recitals, held in St. Andrew's Church, Sunday School Hall. He has entered one pupil, Master Randolph Hayes, violin contest at Lynn Valley on the 15th of this month. This boy is nine years of age and has passed two exams. (one last year and one this year), with McGill College and also taken prizes in Columbia Theatre at the amateur night performances.

A Progressive Company

In its article on the telephone and telautograph equipment of the new Hotel Vancouver and of the telephone switchboard of the new CP.R. depot, "Telephone Talk" in the current issue points out that nothing better could show the strength and possibilities of British Columbia than that this large railway company should make such provision for telephone service in two of its largest institutions. In each, records for installation are made, and they serve to show what further development is expected on the Pacific Coast of Canada.

"Telephone Talk," besdes giving considerable news of the B.C. Telephone Company, by which firm it is published monthly, has an interesting article on the towns of the Slocan, a district which silver is bringing into prominence. In an article on transmission, it is pointed out that the very latest devices for improving the telephone service are already in use by the B. C. Telephone Company, an indication of the alertness of the company to efficiently fulfil its duty as a public service corporation.

Central Park and Collingwood

The lawn social held by the Women's Auxiliary of St. John's Church, Central Park, on Thursday afternoon and evening last week, at the home of Miss Lister, Aberdeen Street, was a very enjoyable affair and resulted in the augmentation of the funds of the Society.

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The cricket match on Saturday beween the Central Park team and the Bank of British North America, which took place on the Agricultural Grounds at Central Park, resulted in favor of the local team, the score being 103 to 37.

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On Friday last, Mrs. Alan Orr of Toronto arrived on a visit to her daughters, Mrs. A. MacDonald and Miss M. Orr, cor. Kingsway and Park Avenue. This was quite a family reunion as Mrs. MacDonald had not seen her mother for about 29 years.

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The arrangements have been made for the holding of a Garden Party on June 17th in the grounds of Phillip Oben, Kingsway and Ormidale Avenue, in aid of the relief funds of the Kingsway Auxiliary of the Victorian Order of Nurses. An admission fee of ten cents will be charged and refreshments will be on sale in the grounds. Special efforts are being made to make this a unique entertainment. As the object is a worthy one, it is hoped by those who have the matter in hand that the affair will be well patronized.

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The local Orange Lodge, to the number of about thirty, attended divine service in the Collingwood Methodist Church on Sunday evening. Rev. Mr. Morgan preached on the occasion.

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Mr. Philip Scott, Collingwood East, who has been quite ill, is now recovering from his indisposition.

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Last week we stated that there would be no more meetings of the W.A. of St. John's Church till September. We have since found that this is a mistake as quite another branch was meant by our informant and we wish to correct the error as some ladies may be prevented from attending if they have happened to notice the article.

QUID NUNC.

South Vancouver's Representation at the Greater Vancouver Pageant

Marshall—Mr. J. Mouat. Time of line-up, Friday, June 12, at 11.30 a.m., at Corner Kingsway and Fraser St.

1—Two mounted police.
2—One Float, "Citizens' Band."
3—Five cars decorated, "Municipal Council."
4—Ten cars decorated, South Vancouver Board of Trade.
5—Three cars decorated, South Vancouver Board of School Trustees.
6—Two South Vancouver Fire Cars.
7—One Float South Vancouver Water Works.
8—One Float, South Vancouver Homes.
9—Four one-horse carts, decorated.
10—Eighteen wagons, "Industries."
11—Miscellaneous Autos, decorated.

Total lineal feet in parade, 2,500.

The committee offered a $5.00 prize to the most humorous fancy dressed pedestrian to accompany South Vancouver parade.

Reeve Kerr declared Friday a civic holiday with the request that business men in the municipality regard it as such.

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Main Street Improvement Association

This association met on Monday evening in the Old School House, and after talking over many matters of interest, appointed Messrs. A. Crocker, A. Frederickson and Mr. H. N. Hallberg a committee to find the feasibility of procuring the deeds for lanes at the rear end of Main Street lots in Ward Four where the blocks have no lanes, for sewer purposes.

Strawberry Social.

On Tuesday, June 16th, a Strawberry Tea will be given by the Mountain View Methodist Church. Supper will be from 6 to 8 o'clock in the banquet room. The programme will start from 8 to 10 o'clock.

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Tenders are called for the raising of six frame buildings on Main Street, at 29th Avenue. Specifications can be obtained at the Engineer's Office. Tenders to be in the hands of the undersigned by 5 p.m., the 15th inst., and a marked cheque of 5 per cent. of tender must accompany same.

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THE BOARD OF TRADE HAS SPOKEN!

SINCE the Vancouver Board of Trade has discovered that it is not safe to deal in Calgary Oil shares, there's not the slightest doubt in the world but that the Dingman well will promptly go on the blink and the bottom will fall out of the Western Canadian oil business.

Dear old Vancouver Bowd of Trade. How could we get along without you? Of course the boys with long pants will still be able to buy an odd share of oil stock.

Some of the fathers of our city who make up the Vancouver Board of Trade were particularly prominent here a few years back when the biggest wildcats in the country were pulled off—but not prominent as guardians of the interests of the investors.

Any fake that is precipitated inside of British Columbia brings forth no word of warning from the Vancouver Board of Trade, it seems. Let the Calgary people start some excitement and watch how conservative, and careful, and hypocritical will become the utterances of some of thes semi-public organizations.

Did the Board of Trade of Vancouver open its mouth when the working-men of this city and the territory surrounding were bled by the Canadian Home Investment Company? How many of these high-browed Board of Trade members were associated with the Canadian Home Investment Company?

THE GREAT PAGEANT

THIS is the week of the Pageant. Vancouver is enjoying the biggest fete in her history. Too much credit cannot be given the self-sacrificing men and women who have spent weeks in arranging the various departments of the celebration.

South Vancouver figures more prominently in the Pageant than any of the municipalities surrounding the parent city. This is an encouraging sign.

We have had hard times on the coast—at least hard times as compared with conditions here during the first twelve years of the century. In the Talmud it is stated that sicknesses are really blessings, being sent from above to warn and protect men and women. If this is true as regards individuals, it is also true as applied to communities. The business sickness from which Greater Vancouver is recovering has not been without salutary results. It has had the effect of developing a community spirit in Greater Vancouver which cannot be better typified than in the proceedings of the great Pageant.

Mr. R. W. Holland, vice chairman of the Pageant committee, expressed the feelings of all public souled citizens when he wrote:

"If Vancouver is to take her rightful place among the cities of the Pacific Coast as a great tourist centre and as one of the Great Convention Cities of the American Continent, then the establishment of a Summer Festival to centralize and focalize her advertising is an absolute necessity.

"The Pageant idea is a splendid one, mainly because of its antiquity and because of the fact that it is a British institution. It fits in with the true Englishman's dislike of doing anything that is undignified or likely to make him feel he is making himself ridiculous. We Canadians are peculiarly English in this characteristic; therefore, the Pageant suit us.

"We often envy our cousins to the south who can lose all consciousness of self and take their pleasures with the abandon and happiness of children. Some day we also acquire this gift, but until we do, the Pageant will suit us much better than "The Mar-De-Gras," "The Potlatch" or "The Rose Carnival." With a spectacular and distinctive Summer Festival at the beginning of the Summer season and a great Fair and Exposition at the end, carried on from year to year as special attractions to thousands of visitors, we will build up a permanent and lasting advertisement of our city that will repay our citizens a thousand fold for all the effort and money they may invest in them.

"This 'Pageant of Vancouver' is our first effort. Be charitable in your judgment; we will gain experience and enthusiasm as we proceed. It has been a very great pleasure to me to give any assistance that I could towards the inception and carrying out of this our First Summer Festival."

CLEAN SOUTH VANCOUVER UP!

THE attention of the reeve and councillors is directed to a plan which is being set forth by leading ratepayers to clean up all the wild lands in South Vancouver.

While the outlook is good for the working men of the community for the summer months, labor conditions in Greater Vancouver during the coming winter are bound not to be good unless some radical policy is outlined by the civic authorities.

It is pointed out that there are hundreds of acres of land in South Vancouver which have not yet been cleared. It is proposed that the municipal council undertake to clear all this land, financing the work by levying upon the property affected.

There would be a two-fold good from such an undertaking. The district would be beautified and improved and made tenable for the thousands of people who may be expected to pour into South Vancouver during the next few years and the men of the district would be given employment which would tide them over a difficult period in the development of South Vancouver.

The plan appeals to the Canadian Pacific Railway, who are owners of large areas of property on the peninsula, and who have today many squads of land clearers at work preparing the property for the developments bound to take place in the future.

The municipality could do the work cheaper than the individual owners and with greater expedition. It is up to the reeve and councillors to investigate the plan thoroughly.

THE B. C. LAND QUESTION

IT is a commonplace for men in British Columbia today to state that they are "land poor." If the land of British Columbia could speak, there is little doubt but that its first complaint would be, "I am poor."

All intelligent men will agree that the great obstacle which stands between British Columbia and permanent prosperity is a matter of many millions of acres of farm lands which are at present held by speculative interests.

Mr. John Oliver states on the platform that thirty miles from Fort George, in no man's land, areas which might be suitable for farming purposes are held at the rate of forty dollars an acre. One would have to travel several days' journey from Vancouver to find a piece of property purchasable under one thousand to two hundred dollars an acre.

It would seem that the policy of the Provincial government has been to retard the development of farm lands rather than assist the people towards a point where the people of British Columbia might grow enough foodstuffs to feed the people of British Columbia.

If the government of British Columbia were interested in the formation of a land policy, the members of that body of statesmen might look up Canadian history and turn the pages back to 1829.

Eighty-five years ago, the government of Upper Canada had a land policy and it was a more useful and vigorous one than ever was heard promulgated by the present government of British Columbia. It must have worked successfully for, than the Province of Ontario today, there is no more bountiful combination of communities in the British Empire.

In the Canadian "News," of London, England, a curious old document has been reprinted in fac simile, which was issued in 1829 from the office of His Majesty's resident agent for the superintendence of settlers and emigrants in the "Canadas," at Quebec in 1829. There, in the opening paragraph, is stated emphatically that lands "will be granted on very easy terms to industrious families who are possessed of means of bringing them under cultivation."

"His Excellency, the Governor-General," runs the proclamation, "has been pleased to order to be reserved the township of Opps, in the District of Newcastle, Upper Canada, for the reception of industrious emigrants who may arrive from the United Kingdom, during the present season, and who may be disposed to settle in the Province; the price fixed for these Crown lands to actual settlers is 4s., Halifax currency, per acre, payable in five years."

Furthermore, the proclamation states that tickets would be supplied from Quebec to the land bein thrown open and concludes, "These lands are distant from Quebec about thirty-six to forty miles on the south side of the St. Lawrence, with a good road nearly all the way. New roads are being opened into the land which will afford employment to settlers. The climate is exceedingly healthy. Many Scotch, English and Irish are already located in this part of the country."

Eighty-five years ago, the government of Upper Canada was wise, as we say, to the land speculator. They wanted only bona fide settlers in those times.

In the reign of George IV, nearly half a century before Sir Richard McBride was born, it was possible for the Canadian Provinces to outline a land settlement policy which was identical in many ways to the splendid colonization system at present being conducted by the Canadian Pacific Railway.

British Columbia doesn't need a land policy. We can afford to send $30,000,000 out of the country every year for food stuffs.

A MARKET WORTH HAVING

THE latest figures show that the population of the United States, aside from the island possessions, stands at almost 100,000,000. An increase of slightly more than one million will bring the population to this figure, an increase which will be gained in a year if the present rate of growth continues. Moreover, a large part of the population is made of city dwellers who are food consumers and not food producers.

This is the market which the Liberals sought to open to the Canadian producers in 1911. It is a market dotted with cities which must bring their food supplies from varying distances. It is dotted with such cities as New York, with a population of more than five millions; Chicago, with two millions and a half; Philadelphia with upwards of a million and a half; Boston and Cleveland with something like seven or eight hundred thousand; Buffalo, Milwaukee and Minneapolis approaching the half million mark; and several score of others with populations running into the hundreds of thousands—all consuming tremendous quantities of food supplies and all bringing their supplies from considerable distances.

Of the cities in the Eastern States many are closer to Ontario farms than they are to the American districts from which they have drawn their food supplies. Boston and the smaller cities of New England are within comparatively easy reach of the Maritime Provinces. Western American cities are not far distant from the farm lands of Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta. And the population of all these cities mounts steadily and rapidly upwards.

Under the Wilson-Underwood tariff the Canadian producers may now send some of their products into the United States duty free. The great increase in the shipments of Canadian cattle and Canadian hogs across the line since the new American tariff came into effect testifies to the value of the southern market to the farmers of this country. Premier Borden and his trade restrictionist colleagues, however, denied Canadians access to this market by their fight agaainst reciprocity in 1911, and today they still refuse to take any action which would gain for our people the privilege of free entry for wheat, potatoes and other products to the United States.

On the other hand, the Liberals continue steadfast in the belief that Canadians should enjoy the opportunity of selling their natural products in the profitable market which exists across the border. At the present session of Parliament they offered resolutions calling for action which would increase the selling opportunities of our people. At the nod of Premier Borden the government's supporters in parliament voted down the resolutions and denied the Canadian producers the advantages which the Liberals sought to obtain for them.

Thus it is that Canadian producers are barred from opportunities which would increase their individual prosperity and the prosperity of the country.

SOCIAL AND FINANCIAL EFFECTS OF TAXATION OF LAND VALUES

IT is claimed by the advocates of the taxation of land land values in Great Britain that the advantages of this reform will be:

(1) To take the burden of rates off dwelling-houses, factories, mills, workshops, shops, warehouses, offices, and all industrial and business premises, and all farm buildngs, drainage, fencing and other agricultural improvements.

(2) To break down the barriers which land monopoly now opposes to municipal, industrial and agricultural development and enterprise, and thus to cause the land everywhere to be used in ways more advantageous to the workers.

(3) To make it possible for more, better and cheaper dwellings to be provided in towns and villages, to make small holdings and allotments obtainable on fair terms, and generally to free industry of all kinds—agricultural, mining, forestry, building, manufacturing, engineering, public works, transport, distribution—form burdens and restrictions, and extend the field for the remunerative employment of labor and capital in town, suburb, and country.

(4) To secure for the agricultural industry a genuine measure of relief.

(5) To make national service a national burden, and thus give effective relief to rural districts from the excessive burden of rates which now falls on them in providing for what are largely national requirements.

(6) To cheapen the cost of living for the mass of the people, and take away the only plausible argument for tariff mongering and the pretence that protective taxes can be imposed which will not increase the cost of living.

A WINNIPEG REFERENCE

BRITISH COLUMBIA, the Pacific province of Canada, is relatively to her area, as well endowed as any province in the Dominion. Blessed with a fertile soil, which in many parts of the south is peculiarly suited for the raising of valuable crops as fruit, her mineral wealth is also alone sufficient to ensure her a great economic future. To crown all, British Columbia possesses the finest stand of virgin timber now existing, within the same area, on the North American continent. The potential value of this asset, as soon as the Panama Canal is opened, it would be difficult to estimate. It is a significant fact that fully one-half—some authorities think more than one-half—of British Columbia's commercial timber is held by American speculators, who must have locked up a very large amount of capital in the standing forests of the province. Like other parts of Western Canada, British Columbia has suffered during the past eighteen months from the financial stringency, which has to some extent checked building and other work that might have been undertaken with advantage. The position in this respect, however, has sensibly improved during the past three months, and already applications for building permits in Vancouver and other important centres in this province are showing a remarkable increase.—Winnipeg Post.

BY THE WAY

THE BOOK OF THE PAGEANT is a work which should be in the hands of every citizen who has any pride in the community. It remained for a South Vancouver man, Mr. J. Francis Bursill, to superintend the compilation of the book and to prepare many of the most interesting features, both prose and poetry, contained within its covers. The book was printed by the Linguistic Press with an accuracy, balance and artistic finish which reflects creditably upon that progressive firm.

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THE SOUTH VANCOUVER School Board has advised Inspector Graham to admonish the children attending the schools not to break windows in vacant houses. Any warning the inspector may give the youngsters will doubtless receive their serous consideration.

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WHEN EX-COUNCILLOR GOLD has given the reverend editors a run through the thistle-strewn paths of the law courts, he may be expected to turn upon them and say: "Oh death, where is thy sting?"

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WHEN A WINDSTORM sweeps the country, it is the weakened trees, those with rotten hearts, that fall.

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THE ROAD TO destruction is broad and pleasant, while the way of Life is narrow and difficult. There are two roads, and two roads only, along which humanity can march in the working of its eternal destiny. The first is the path of repression which leads to Tyranny; the other is the way of freedom which ends in Liberty. There is no middle course; no compromise is possible. Whichever way we turn, in whatever direction we attempt to advance, we are bound to come to this parting of the ways. The history of the English people is the record of a slow and toilsome march along the road of freedom. There have been magnificent victories on the way; there have also been momentary checks and protracted halts. The barons forcing King John to sign Magna Charta; Wat Tyler striking the tax-gatherer with his hammer; John Hampden refusing to pay ship-money; Latimer and Ridley perishing at the stake; Cobden and Bright denouncing the Corn Laws—what are all these but episodes in the eternal struggle for individual liberty?—Douglas P. Boatman, in "Land Values."

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THERE SHALL BE elections and rumours of elections, but the end is not yet—according to Ex-Councillor Edward Gold.

The Highgraders' Corner

Mr. Ewart and the Governor-General's hips
Toronto News

Mr. John S. Ewart, K.C., thinks that a Canadian should be eligible for the office of Governor-General. Maybe Mr. Ewart, being a modest man, hesitates to mention the name of the gentleman he has in mind.

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Ought to Raise a Howl.
Montreal Mail.

A Belgian police dog bound for western Canada passed through Montreal on Wednesday. Why import foreign dogs, when so many Canadian dogs are idle? Our dogs ought to raise a howl over this.

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A Made-to-Order Avalanche.
London Times.

Moving-picture men are going to have an avalanche made to order in the Alps. Electric mines will be placed under huge masses of snow, and when the operators are in position, the mines will be discharged to start the avalanche.

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Prefer the Langour of the Southern Seas.
New York Sun.

History is repeated in the discovery of the crew of the wrecked French bark, La Tour de Vergune, safe on a desert island and unwilling to leave their dusky wives. For a lazy man there are worse things than being ship-wrecked on a tropical island where the banana and the cocoa-nut flourish.

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The Way it is Worked at Ottawa.
Toronto Star.

The way a scientific hobby is worked is this: A few cute members are induced to take an interest in the case; then other members are made to think that the leaders of the party want and will support what the lobbyists want. Then the leaders of the party are made to think that the members are red-hot advocates of what is wanted and that the leaders must get into line.

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As to Standing Children in a Corner.
Toronto Globe.

A learned paper in Munich now sets forth the news that to make a child stand in the corner as punishment is all wrong, because it tends to faulty posture through the weariness produced by standing in one spot, and consequently may result in flat-foot, knock-knees, curvature of the spine and all sorts of similar things. The rod having been ruled out already, discipline grows to be an increasoingly serious problem.

THE LEGEND OF CHINOOK

A Story for the Boys and Girls of British Columbia

BY

GEORGE M. MURRAY

In the days of the long, long ago, before the birds brought the first seeds from which grew the giant cedars of Stanley Park, there were no islands along British Columbia's coast and save in the far north there were no mountain ranges.

The land sloped down to the sea and there were many hundreds of miles of sunny, sandy beaches. It was summer, in those days, all the year round in British Columbia.

One day, on the white, clean sands of the sea-shore sat a calm, kind-hearted mother, and tripping nimbly about, now paddling in the warm, shallow waters, now running as though playing tag with her shadow, was a dark-eyed lassie, dimpled and gentle, most beautiful of all children.

From above, the Sun looked down upon the pair. He seemed proud and his face was radiant and smiling. He caressed the woman and now and then he caught the maiden in his arms and kissed her on the cheeks and stroked her jet black tresses.

In those days, my children, British Columbia was the home of the Sun The woman on the sea shore was his wife and they called her the South Wind. The child was their daughter, whom the Sun loved dearly, and for whom he always took home from his regular marches out over the Pacific gifts from strange and far away lands.

Sometimes the South Wind made great journeys with her mighty husband, and the little daughter sometimes went with her parents. This day the Sun would go alone and the South Wind and her happy, loving offspring were to stay to make the apple orchards of the British Columbia of those days bloom, and to warm the hearts of the rosebuds and to tan the cheeks of the babies.

Bidding a tender good-bye to his wife and daughter, the Sun mounted on high and started off over the blue sea on his long journey. Out on the horizon, before passing to the other side of the world, he paused, as though to take one more look at his dear ones. The mother waved him a final farewell and the daughter threw kisses at her kind old dad as with light feet and lighter heart she continued her games on the sands.

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Far beyond the mountains of the north there lived an evil one, whose name was the North Wind. He held power over an icy empire and he lived in a big castle and had working for him many wicked men, who would coax people into the northern fastnesses and into the castle of the North Wind, from whence none ever returned.

Sometimes the evil North Wind would come forth, dressed in mighty armor with a breast plate, the points of which were made from the shafts of the northern lights. One look from his cruel eyes would cause the flowers to wither and fade and he had but to blow his awful breath to main and mark and sometimes kill his victims.

So good and kind was the Sun that his people loved him and so strong and powerful was he that the North Wind, his great enemy, feared him and kept away from the land of the Sun. The North Wind ruled by force over his country; the Sun by kindness. The North Wind was loved by none and he was jealous of the Sun and his gentle, kind wife and loving daughter.

From a great hill the North Wind oftimes spied upon the family of the Sun. His envy finally knew no bounds. He could not fight against the Sun, as man to man, but in his evil mind a plot was formed and he swore that he would humble the Sun. He would take to his great, cold castle a wife—and that wife would be the Sun's own daughter!

For many days the North Wind watched. Finally he made up his mind that when the Sun would start out alone on his long journey over the Pacific, he would wait until his neighbor was well out of sight, then he would thunder down upon the happy home and carry out his evil plot.

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Evening was falling upon the Pacific and the South Wind took her daughter by the hand and together they turned from their play ground by the sea. Suddenly a terrific sound smote upon their ears. The earth seemed to quake under foot and behind them the sea was lashed into a fury. The South Wind caught up her daughter. Fear took hold of them. In a moment the cruel, ugly North Wind was upon them.

Madly the North Wind tried to strike down the mother. The daughter cried out as the South Wind tried in vain to fight off the wicked one. But this battle was short. Leaving the mother wounded on the sands, the North Wind grabbed into his arms the helpless girl and made off with her towards the wild, wicked north.

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Bound homeward from a sea-faring trip who should meet the Sun that afternoon, just as he had passed beyond the sight of his dear ones, but the West Wind—the happy, smiling, strong West Wind who would rather fight than eat and who would rather fight for fair women than for any other cause. The Sun had always been a friend of the West Wind and plans were made on that ocean meeting that the West Wind should make a visit to the home of the Sun.

The cries of the daughter had reached the sharp ears of the good West Wind far out on the Pacific. He felt there was danger and full speed, he rushed to the coast. He spied the South Wind fallen as in a faint; he saw the North Wind with his crying captive. Like a shot from a cannon he sped after the North Wind, overtook him, and bade him combat.

The murderous North Wind struck at the youth and tried to escape with his victim. The West Wind had courage. He blocked the way of the Northern robber and jumped upon him.

There took place then a great battle, a battle of giants. Up and down the shore it raged and so fierce was it that the earth trembled and shook and broke into pieces along the coast.

On the land and in the sea the battle continued. The smooth, even coast line was broken by the heels of the combatants and from the huge clods of earth which were dashed about the islands of the present British Columbia coast were formed and from the wrestling and rolling over and over of these giants in their awful fight, the earth was dug up and furrowed and the mountain ranges of today are the result and the white peaks are links of the coat of mail lost by the North Wind in that fight.

On the morning of the first day the Sun came home and when he saw the bleeding form of the South Wind as she sat by the raging sea, and found the land broken and scattered, he was much angered; when he found that his daughter had been stolen away, his heart was sad. And he took the South Wind by the hand and led her away to another land.

Ever since that time the South Wind has pined for her lost baby and she mourns for her every year. And so she comes to the land which is now British Columbia, where once upon a time she was so happy, and she weeps for her little, lost lassie. And her tears form the winter rains of this land which was once the home of the Sun.

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After many days the battle of the North Wind and the West Wind was decided. It was a cruel fight; but a fight where the good defeated evil. Battered and bleeding, the North Wind was finally overcome and he slunk off to his barren wilds, and as he limped over the broken earth his wounds gushed forth blood, And for this blood men and women fight today, my children, for it has been transformed through the ages into gold and so the streams and hills of the Yukon and Alaska and British Columbia, in the land where that great fight was fought, lure gold seekers from all parts of the earth.

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Blinded and torn, the West Wind found the maiden whose mother was the South Wind and whose father was the Sun, and he raised her up gently and nursed her. And the West Wind builded her a great castle and gave her food and clothing and servants.

Travellers may see the place on their way through the Canadian Rockies and they call it Castle Mountain. There the West Wind placed her and there, the Indians say, she has her home today.

Out from her rugged castle walls the blind maiden walks in the evening time. Where her foot falls flowers spring up, and where she waves her slender hand gardens and orchards flourish, and she causes the birds to sing wherever she goes and the grasses to grow rich and green for the cattle. And when she steps out on the prairies in the cold winter, the snows disappear and the wheat grows strong and rugged and heavy headed.

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HISTORICAL SKETCH OF REV. JOHN PYE

And the Ferris Road Methodist Church, which was dedicated when only a few homes dotted the landscape.

Rev. John Pye, late pastor of Ferris Road Methodist Church, was born in England in 1860. At the age of 6 the father died and left three boys to the care of a widowed mother, who in the fear of God sought to bring up her children in the nurture and admonition of the Lord.

In those days the school master was not abroad, educational advantages were few, but the few that were available were made the best of. In the year 1883 he became a local preacher in the Wath-on-Dearne circuit. He lived in the village of Wombwell and had charge of the Netherwood Hall flour mill, run by Messrs. Shaife Bros., kindly men, whose memory is precious. Early in 1886 he received the appointment as hired local preacher in the Pontypridd circuit, South Wales. The Rev. John Havelock Thompson, had charge of the little Rhonda Valley, and in his home he resided. For eighteen months he was under the care of this excellent minister, who directed his studies and gave valuable assistance. In August 1887 he set sail for Newfoundland and was accepted as a candidate for the ministry in the Newfoundland conference. Was ordained in 1891 and married Miss Halfyard, who has been, and is, a most valuable helpmeet. There is living one daughter, Annetta. For 13 years he labored in Newfoundland, making many friends. In 1900 he was transferred to British Columbia and was stationed in Trail, another year spent in Sandon, then four years in the Nicola Valley, four years in Salmon Arm and four years in Ferris Road.

Some measure of success has attended his labors as is evidenced by the many who have expressed appreciation. He is of retiring disposition, does not seek publicity, is content to do the work of a pastor, and finds great joy in the noble work to which he has devoted time and strength.

Ferris Road Methodist Church

In South Hill services were first held in the home of Mrs. M. A. Green on 47th Ave. East by the Rev. Mr. Whittaker, who was at that time stationed at Mountain View. In 1909 the late Rev. J. F. Betts and the sites committee of the Vancouver Extension Society secured three lots at the corner of Ferris Road (51st Ave.) and George Street. In 1910 plans were made for a church and the contract to build the same was awarded to Mr. J. T. Reid. The cost of the building alone was nearly 2000 dollars not including the furnishings; the building is 28x50 with a large basement which is at present used as a Sunday school room.

The church was dedicated on the first Sunday in May 1910 by the President of the Conference, Rev. James Colvert, B.D. At that time this neighborhood was mostly bush with a few houses, but men had faith in the district, which since then has grown very rapidly.

The first Sunday in June 1910 the Rev. John Pye came from Salmon Arm and took charge of the church. Immediately a Sunday School was organized, with Mr. W. H. Eburne, superintendent, and Mr. Chester Green, secretary, and a quarterly Official Board was organized with Mr. Chester Green as recording steward, W. H. Eburne, treasurer and Mrs M. A. Green, president of the Ladies' Aid and Mr. T. Coltart, choir master.

Steadily under the watchful care of the pastor and the faithful work of the officers and friends the church has grown, and today is in a prosperous condition. Shortly afterward an Epworth League was organized with Mr. Frank Harford as first president. The league is still alive and is in for active service, Miss M. Manuel is the president.

In 1911 a contract for building a parsonage was let to Mr. George L. Greenlay, and was finished in August of the same year. The building is a 7-room structure not over large, but fairly so, and very comfortable and cost nearly $2300. The property is in good shape, 3 lots, church and parsonage, and a debt upon it of $2700.

The membership at present is 100, the enrolment of the Sunday school over 250, Mr. J. T. Reid is the superintendent.

There is a very live Junior Epworth League, with an average attendance of 48, under the presidency of Mr. Leonard Ward, and Miss Ida Howard, secretary, and Mrs. Jacques, superintendent.

The choir is under the charge of Mr. D. Gavet, and is loyally and faithfully helping to make the church services interesting and profitable. The late leader of the choir, Mr. T. Coltart, did splendidly and his work was much appreciated.

The Ladies' Aid is well officered, having Mr. D. Gavet president, Mrs. M. F. Finlay, secretary, and Mrs. J. D. Millar, treasurer. Meetings are held regularly on the first Wednesday in the month.

The officers of the church are all true men who work loyally with the minister. Mr. W. A. Ward is the financial secretary; Mr. Caleb Manuel, recording steward; Mr. H. J. Philp and Mr. I. C. Freen, efficient local preachers.

There are two adult bible classes, a senior and a junior, under the presidency of Mr. John Cuthbert, and Mr. Harry Penn.

The finances for the past year were very satisfactory considering the many members of the church out of employment. The total amount raised was approximately $2000.00.

Outline of Farewell Sermon of Pastor

Hebrews 6, chap. 11, v.

The expressed desire. Paul, in writing to the Romans, gave expression to a desire "that Israel might be saved." This is the seat of any activity that is for the good of the race. A man sees conditions that are intolerable, unjust, etc., immediately the thought or desires born to attend to those things that need attention. This is the starting point and its importance is apparent upon reflection. Ministers of the gospel, christian people, and Christian parents do well to get upon their heart the great need of the spiritual good of the people. A desire that they might show diligence in that which is for their higher good. Men generally do not need exhorting to show diligence in advancing their temporal interests, but the higher concerns of mind and spirit are too often neglected and the constant need of exhortation to attend to these things is very real.

The true vocation of a minister of the gospel is to save souls and feed the flock of God. No work is of such magnitude and importance as this, and happy is the man who is not turned aside from this object by any other consideration.

Having said that, it does not follow that that is the only object of the minister's calling. Surely the physical needs, and the mental needs of the people call for attention, but the supreme purpose of the minister's work is to persuade men to be reconciled to God. Here I wish to say that if I know anything of my own heart it is that steadily I have during the past four years of my pastorate here kept this object in view. I have sought you and not yours. What success has attended my efforts only eternity will reveal. My prayers and study in preparing for the Sabbath services, and in visitation have all tended in this direction. Many expressions of appreciation have been heard, for which I am grateful. What is success? That's the question. I know what is generally regarded as success, but what I regard as success is the real and permanent spiritual good that comes to the lives of men, the power of the Holy Spirit ennobling them to live godly lives, making them better citizens, directing the thoughts and lives of the little children ever toward those higher attainments which are within the reach of all.

The desire of the writer was that these Hebrew people might show the same diligence. The same as that manifested in the earlier period of their christian life. A subtle and very dangerous temptation besets every christian man, in fact every man, the getting used to a thing. Men get used to danger and risks and loose the sense of danger and risks. It is so in the christian life. It is always perilous to let out too much slack. The tension needs to be kept tight. It is possible to be too narrow, too particular, but generally the greater evil is in the other direction. Show diligence. Let it be in evidence that religion is a matter of business, and go about that business as though it meant something—as a matter of life or death. It was said of the early preacher that "these men turned the world upside down." Ministers and members do well to keep at it and always at it. May you so continue.

A change of pastors should not be an occasion for any one identified with this church to be less diligent in the work for which the church stands. A minister of the gospel cannot accomplish much single handed, but when he knows that he has the sympathetic co-operation of his people it is much easier for him. Pastors come and go but the churc hemains. God has called each one and said "Son, go work today in My vineyard." Shall we not heed the call and the command? So long as we are in the flesh we must be about our Master's business. "What I say unto one I say unto all, Watch." These are the words of our Lord and Master.

At a time like this there are many things one would like to say but we must forbear. These links of love and fellowship that bind us together will not be broken. Our bodies will separate but we are one in heart. Our prayers will ever ascend to God for his blessing to be upon you and yours, and upon the new pastor. Here I would like to express my gratitude to the officials of the church for their loyal and ready support in the different projects which we have had in view. Among us here there has been perfect harmony and while our viewpoint may have been different, our one aim has ever been "the good of the cause." To the members and adherents our wish and prayer is expressed in the words of the text. And now we go our way, our task here is done; we have sown the seed. May God give the increase.

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By Ruby M. Ayres

The girl in the blue cotton frock came out regularly as clockwork in the morning at a quarter to seven with a pail of water and cleaned the steps.

There was a lot of steps—two narrow ones at the front door and five wider ones reaching down to the gate and the road beyond.

The lanky young man with pale face who rented the two best rooms at No. 1 Hill Street, Bloomsbury, often came up the road in the early morning when the girl was cleaning the steps.

He marveled in a tired, impartial sort of way how it was that she could always manage to sing as she scrubbed and scoured and wrung out the wet flannel.

The lanky young man was a journalist—not a very successful one, so for—and he had a great deal of night work, which he hated.

He had never spoken to her beyond passing the time of day, until one bitter December morning when he heard her coughing.

She stopped in her work to cough as he walked up the road, and he noticed how pale she was—she generally had such a color.

He stopped on the bottom step.

"Aren't you well" he asked abruptly, for he missed her cheerful laconically, and the lanky journalist singing.

"It's only the cough," she said noticed for the first time that she had really beautiful eyes. He looked at the thin blue dress she wore.

"Why don't you wear warmer clothes?" he asked.

She flushed and laughed a little.

"Servants always have to wear print frocks," she said.

There was something mocking in her voice, and the lanky journalist went on his way into the house with a feeling of annoyance.

The morning following this comment about her cough he looked at her interestedly.

She was certainly a very good class girl for a servant; he noticed that she had small, well-kept hand and neat feet—hands that did not look as if they were used to hard or rough work—and yet he knew that she cleaned his boots as well as the steps, and that his boots were often coated with mud.

Things were quiet at the office that evening, and he came home to the dinner which he called "supper" because he ate it alone and generally in his shirt-sleeves.

He kicked off his wet boots while the girl was arranging the table and left them at right angles on the rug; the girl stooped and picked them up.

The lanky journalist watched her.

"What is your name?" he asked.

The girl hesitated, she looked somehow surprised.

"The call me Jane here," she said at length.

The girl looked at him and then down at the foot-gear which she held still.

"It's time you had some new boots," she said coolly.

The lanky journalist stared; then he lost his temper and told her to mind her own business.

But he bought a pair of new boots—a nice pair, with glace tops and patent leather toe-caps, and he paid a guinea for them.

The first time he wore them he watched Jane from behind his newspaper when she brought his supper, for the boots were standing side by side in all their new smartness, like children in their party frocks, waiting to be admired; but she whisked them up and carried them away without comment.

The lanky journalist felt absurdly disappointed; it seemed somehow like a guinea wasted.

At the end of the week, when he paid his bill, he fancied that the landlady eyed him rather anxiously; she walked to the door, hesitated, and then came back.

"I hope, Mr. Gordon," she said hesitatingly, "that there are no complaints.

"Complaints!" the lanky journalist was genuinely surprised; he had lived at No. 1 for two years, and could not remember that he had ever once found fault with the menage.

Mrs. Gribb looked apologetic.

"Mr. Smithson has been complaining," she explained unctously. "In fact, he's given in his notice; so I thought perhaps—" she broke off plaintively.

Mrs Gribb closed the door and came nearer.

"It's owing to Jane," she said confidentially.

"Jane!" the lanky journalist was interested now.

"Yes, Mr. Gordon. Mr. Smithson complained that she was impertinent to him. I spoke to Jane about it, and she said that she would leave if he did not, and she's such a good girl. I may she's an absolute treasure; so I told Mr. Smithson I would accept his notice. I can always get guests in my house, I am glad to say, but nowadays servants are not so plentiful."

"Ah!" said the lanky journalist absently.

"So I thought I'd better mention it to you, Mr. Gordon," Mrs. Gribb continued impressively. "The girl is young, and if she's ever been impertinent to you—"

"Good Lord, no! She never speaks to me."

Mrs. Gribb beamed.

"That takes a great worry off my mind," she said, mollified. "I should be very sorry if there was to be any unpleasantness with you after all these years, Mr. Gordon."

She retired with a great creaking of resoled shoes.

The lanky journalist looked at Jane curiously the next time she came into his room.

She carried her head a trifle higher than usual, he thought, but when their eyes met as she set the tray down there was just a suspicion of a smile in hers.

The lanky journalist plucked up courage.

"So Mr. Smithson's leaving, is he?" he said.

"Yes." She straightened a knife on the cloth. "I boxed his ears," she added calmly; then she laughed. "I never saw a man look so surprised."

The lanky journalist flushed. Smithson was red-faced and fat, with greasy black hair, and a wide mouth; the lanky journalist thought it consummate cheek on his part to have dared merit a box on the ears.

"He tried to kiss you, of course," he submitted.

"He suggested it," she said. "So I asked him if he could not distinguish between a woman of his own class and mine. He seems to imagine that because I clean the steps and his boots—" she broke off distastefully. I"t's not worth discussing," she added as she walked out of the room.

"I always thought the man was a cad," said the lanky journalist, but it is doubtful whether she heard him.

A few nights later the lanky journalist had a couple of tickets for a theater given to him. He brought them home when he came in for his tea and stuck them up on the shelf.

The lanky journalist was fed-up with theaters, he had been to so many; so when Jane brought in his tea he asked if she would care to have them.

He asked hesitatingly, because he was really rather afraid of Jane; but she took the offer very well.

"Thank you," she said, "but I have no one to go with, and I do not care to go myself."

The lanky journalist looked at her, and then—metaphorically—he looked over the work waiting for him to do; he took a deep breath and decided that the work could wati.

"If you will allow me to go with you," he said; "I should be only too pleased."

She stared; for quite ten seconds she looked at him in such absolute silence that he began to get red; then she gave him a little langh.

"You would not be pleased if I were to take you at your word," she said.

He rose to his feet; he looked angry now and more lanky than usual as he stood there in the cheery firelit room, glowering down at her.

"That 's an undeserved sneer,' 'he said hotly. "My offer was quie genuine. I am not a cad—like Smithson."

"I have never compared you with Mr. Smithson—not even in my mind—and I am quite sure that if I went enjoys ourselves very much. It would be tomorrow when you will probably see me cleaning the steps again that you would wonder why on earth you were so foolish!'

"Oh, it isn't only you!" she broke out as he would have spoken: 'But all men! You take a woman out on the spur of the moment and everything is alright until perhaps you with you tonight we should probably meet your mother or sister, and then—"

"I have no mother or sister to meet, and if I had—"

"If you had you would be the same as every other man and hope they wouldn't see you," she retorted with hightened color.

The lanky journalist tried to be dignified.

"It's useless to argue with a woman; they are as obstinate as mules. I might as well save myself the trouble."

"Yes," she said; "you might."

She walked out of the room, and the lanky journalist swore softly as he threw the theatre tickets into the fire.

Half an hour later she brought him a telegram.

The lanky journalist was sitting in an armchair with his feet stuck up on another; he had made a roaring fire and mixed himself hot toddy.

When he saw the telegram he scowled; he knew what it meant—leaving the armchair and the fire and struggling again into the guinea boots and an overcoat.

He read the message and threw it into the grate.

"No answer,' he growled.

He laced up the new boots and swore because they pinched him; he hauled himself into his greatcoat and swore again because there was a button off, and he had not remembered to ask Jane to sew it on for him.

When he reached the office he was not in the best of tempers.

Quite a lot of things were agog at the office; a well-konwn and much-discussed statesman had had a stroke and was not expected to last many hours; there had been a bad railway smash, and a certain sporting earl had filed a petition for divorce.

Reporters and journalists flitted hither and thither, gathering their meager harvest of "exclusive' news, and writing it up into lengthy and exaggerated accounts; an office-boy bore down upon Gordon.

"The chief wants you—important."

The lanky journalist obeyed the summons leisurely; he did not particularly care for his chief; privately, he thought he could have filled the editorial chair occupied by that august person for more capably

The chief was a man of few words; when Gordon entered he pushed some papers across the table toward him.

"Find out what you can about this case," he said. "There's more behind it than appears. The notes are all there—two columns for the morning paper."

The lanky journalist gathered up the loose sheets and walked out of the room, glancing through them as he went.

He had known similar cases before—a woman of position and title missing from home—loss of memory feared.

Inquiries had been instituted for the past three weeks by relatives who hoped to keep the whole affair from the public, but something of the story had leaked out, as such stories invariably do, and more than one newspaper was already hot on the trail.

Women and their doing bored the lanky journalist; he considered the whole sex hysterical and irresponsible; he read the name of the missing girl with a little moue of contempt—Evelyn St. Clair Masterman, only daughter of Sir William Masterman description: height five feet eight, fair hair, grey eyes, wearing a tailored suit of blue cloth and black fox furs the morning she left home—and so on—so on—

He flicked over the papers disinterestedly—what a coup to bring a man out on a bitter, wintry night! What a—the lanky journalist stood suddenly still in the bare passage.

A flaring gas-jet above his head revealed his face, startled, interested! He held the papers he carried closer to the gas; pasted on to one of them was the unmounted photograph of a young woman — a young woman whose face was familiar to him, and yet—

The lanky journalist gave a sudden, stifled exclamation; his jaw fell in utter amazement, for the girl in the portrait was no other than Jane—the "treasure" who cleaned the steps of Mrs. Gribb at No. 1!

The lanky journalist tok a taxi to Bloomsbury; the extravagance seemed warranted in the face of such a discovery.

Either Jane was the double of Lady Evelyn St. Clair or she was the missing girl herself!

The lanky jorunalist went up the stairs to his room two at a time and rang the bell furiously.

It was answered by the kitchen maid with a smut on her nose and a loose sole to her slipper that flapped at every step.

The lanky journalist said swear under his breath before he asked for a jug of water. There was already one on the table, but the kitchen maid departed willingly to fetch another.

When she came back she volunteered the information that Jane was out.

"Her evening's when she likes," she grumbled. "Mrs. Gribb daren't say nothink to her for fear she'd leave."

"You don't like Jane?" asked the lanky journalist casually

"No, I don't; and that's a fact—too stuck up by 'alf, that she is!"

"Humph!" He eyed her thoughtfully. "Why do you think she is stuck up?" he asked.

The girl tossed her tousled head.

"Lots of reasons," she said ambiguously. "She's got all 'er clothes marked for one—such underclothes, you never see the like!—all lace; and even 'er 'andkerchiefs!"

"I should like to see one," said the lanky journalist quickly.

The girl grinned.

"I'll show yer!" she said. She creaked away, to return a moment later with something screwed in the grimy palm of her hand.

"There y'are!" she said.

The lanky journalist took the dainty trifle she held toward him—it seemed mostly lace, with a muslin square in the middle.

In one corner were some initials; he made them out slowly—E. St. C. M.

A flash of triumph lit his thin face; with apparent indifference he thrust the little handkerchief into his pocket.

From below stair Mrs. Gribb's pompous voice called with just a suspicion of shrewishness.

"Amelia!"

The little drudge started guiltily; she made for the door; the lanky journalist called after her.

"Wait a moment!" He crossed the room and pressed half-a-crown into her grimy and astounded paw; then he went back to his seat by the fire.

He was very pleased with himself.; he thought he had done a clever thing.

There was no shadow of doubt now that "Jane" and Lady Evelyn St. Clair Masterman were one and the same; and yet, why in the name of goodness, was she parading as an ordinary servant in a Bloomsbury boarding-house?

He took out the papers he had brought from the office and arranged them before him.

He stared at the portrait with hard critical eyes. There was no doubt as to the identity of Jane. Dress her as the pictured woman was dressed, in a low-cut gown and pearls, and the two were identical!

What a triumph for him to be able to go to Sir William and tell him of the whereabouts of his daughter!

Some boorish isntinct made the lanky journalist long to humble the pride of the woman who cleaned his boots and the flight of steps. He would give a great deal to pay her out for her undeserved snub with regard to the theatres.

He put the papers carefully away in his coat pocket; he waited by the fire till he heard the jangling area-bell ring; then he thought it might be Jane and went out and slowly down the stairs.

He met her in the hall below.

She was dressed still in her walking clothes, very plainly, in a blue serge costume and small dark hat and a colored knitted scarf twisted about her throat.

The lanky journalist said "Good-evening!" then produced the little handkerchief from his pocket.

"Do you know whose this is?" he asked carelessly. "I found it in my room."

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Mr. Stanleigh North as gentleman-in-waiting to Katherine of France in the group of Henry V and his court. Mr. Stanleigh North was on the Pageant staff and rendered the committee good service.

Building Inspector's Report.

In his report to the council, Building Inspector Hubbard said in referring to the issuing of a building permit to a Hindu for a milk dairy at 5193 Thirty-seventh avenue without the consent of the council, that the application complied with the requirements of the Provincial Act and the local bylaws then in his possession. "I had no knowledge whatever at that time, April 28," stated the inspector, "that any amended bylaws dealing with such cases were in existence. Moreover it was over two weeks afterwards when I accidentally learned of such." Mr. Hubbard contended that copies of any amendments to bylaws should have been given to him on his appointment in March, when he would have acted in accordance with the amended bylaws.

In regard to the building of a dancing platform at Cedar Cottage, Inspector Hubbard stated that the roller coaster company was working entirely on a permit issued on July 7, 1913, valued at $10,000, of which $6000 had been spent, and he pointed out that according to the bylaws building permits expire "if active work is not commenced within a period of six months from the date of its issue." Mr. Hubbard also stated that the previous day he was informed by the owner that a dancing license had been granted for three months' service, to be used on completion of the platform. The report of the building inspector was laid over for further consideration.

Wedding—Obsborne-Wilton

The marriage of Miss Rose Wilton of Collingwood to Mr. Herbert Obsborne, also of Collingwood, took place on Monday evening, June 8, in the Methodist Parsonage at Collingwood East, Rev. E. Morgan officiating. The bride was attended by her sister, Mrs. Davies of Vancouver and Mr. Alfred Daly of Collingwood acted as groomsman.

Poultry Association

The quarterly meeting of the Central Park Poultry and Co-operative Association took place on Thursday night in the Central Park Public Hall. Mr. J. J. Miller, president of the Vancouver Exhibition Association, addressed the meeting.

On Tuesday evening the formation of a County Lodge was formed in Oddfellows' Hall, Thirtieth Avenue and Main Street. The following were elected officers: County Master, R. B. Hetherington; deputy county master, J. H. Tyreman; county chaplain, Rev. W. Boulton; County recording secretary, W. H Brett; county financial secretary, W. H. Hilton; county treasurer, W. J. James; county D. of C., H. McKinney; county lecturers, G. R. Turner, G H Pound and G. A. Moreside. The name of the newly formed lodge will be South Vancouver County Lodge, with jurisdiction over the whole of the lodges in the municipality.

Successful Social.

The Strawberry Social held in Westminster Church on Tuesday evening was enjoyed by all those present who enjoyed a nice social evening. The strawberries and cream were pronounced No. 1 and a short programme finished a variety of interest. Mary Lyon gave a recitation and Mrs. Cleland a solo.

Juvenile Court

The committee of executive of the Social and Moral Reform Council of South Vancouver expect to meet the members of the council as soon as a date can be arranged, to go into the subject of a Juvenile Court for South Vancouver.

Main Street Grades in Ward Four.

Councillor Thomas, chairman of the board of works; Councillor Winram and Rutledge and Municipal Engineer Bennett were appointed a committee at a special meeting of the Council, Tuesday afternoon, to look into the matter of grades on Main Street in Ward Four, with reference to their relation to buildings.

A somewhat serious fire occurred on Fifty-third Avenue on Saturday, one house being burned to the ground and the next house suffering considerable damage. An overheated chimney is believed to be the cause of the fire.

The congregation of Wilson Heights Methodist Church held a reception on Wednesday evening, June 10th, in honor of their new pastor and his wife, Rev. Mr. and Mrs. Ewing.

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COUNCIL NOTES

South Vancouver council have just received plans from Ottawa and the right-of-way over the Eburne and New Westminster railway line at the foot of Main Street. Application for this was made some months ago.

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A committee has been appointed by the council for the purpose of interviewing the Greater Vancouver Sewerage Commission with reference to sewering the southern slope, including districts of Fraser and Main Streets.

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The council on Tuesday decided to go on with the fencing of the cemetery grounds on Thirty-eighth Avenue, at a cost of about $200. This is in accordance with their agreement with the City Council some time ago.

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It is evident that Councillor Stevens would have South Vancouver forge ahead. He suggested, after the report of Councillor Rutledge of the pageant committee, that the matter of arranging for a South Vancouver pageant some time in the future be considered.

SCHOOL BOARD NOTES.

The School Board have accepted the resignations of Misses E. L. Madden, E. J. Bushfield and H. S. Currie of the teaching staff.

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With the exception of one case of scarlet fever, two cases of mumps and a few cases of chicken pox, the pupils attending South Vancouver schools during May were free from contagious diseases, according to the report of Dr. Hunter, medical inspector of schools.

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Several teachers have accepted positions on the staff; High School, Miss F. Moule; domestic science, Miss E. J. Lightbody and Miss B. N. Allan.

Calgary Oil Excitement Continues at Fever Pitch

Newspaperman Writes Typical Development Story Touching Upon Black Diamond Prospects

Calgary, June 10.—Writing a descriptive story of the Black Diamond well, J. M. D. Ritchie, a well-known newspaperman, has a lot to say of this property which has been the subject of many remarkable rumors. Mr. Ritchie writes as follows:

The sight sent a chill through the small group of beholders, and when due consideration is given to the fact that the latter were newspapermen men—accustomed to coming into close contact daily with the tragedies that sadden human existence—then it will be admitted without question that the vision was one of dreadful portent.

And so, for the moment, it seemed. Deep down in the bowels of the earth there glared a baleful light of a malignity so intense as to conjure up within the imagination a fancy that the evil one himself was gazing upwards in wrath at the mortals who had dared to peer into the domain where the powers of darkness are said to hold eternal sway.

But the situation in reality lacked those essentials which go towards the formation of a piece of news calculated to staagger humanity. Though the setting was dramatic, it contained no blood-curdling mystery, and therefore comes under the category of things prosaic and easy of understanding.

For the baleful eye, apparently suffused with deadly venom of a capacity infinite, was nothing but a common piece of waste that for a few brief moments had been engulfed in a brilliant bluish flame, and had now become shorn of its splendor and was rapidly sinking into invisibility in the saturnine depths of the Black Diamond well.

THE BIG TREES IN STANLEY PARK.

An exhibition of work done by manual training pupils of the South Vancouver schools will be held in the following centres at the time mentioned: Carleton, centre, June 15th, 7 to 9 p.m.; McKenzie centre, June 16th, 7 to 9 p.m.; Selkirk centre, June 17th, 7 to 9 p.m.; Brock centre, June 18th, 7 to 9 p.m.; Tecumseh centre, June 19th, 7 to 9 p.m.

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A summary of the attendance of the first five months of the year reads: January, 4389; February, 4361; March, 4370; April, 4498; May, 4453.

Nos. 2 and 3 firehalls were called out Tuesday to a fire at the residence of Mr. E. Bradbury, 1623 Twenty-second avenue. Little damage was done.

Westminster Church.

A congregational meeting took place in Westminster Church on Wednesday evening, when Mr. J. T. Johnstone of Nineteenth Avenue East and Mr. A. C. Hunter of Twenty-second Avenue and Main Street were elected to the board of management of the church in the place of Mr. J. E. Knight and Mr. George A. Heath, who have resigned.

The Ladies' Aid of Westminster Church will meet on Wednesday, June 17, at 2.30 o'clock, at the home of Mrs. Crawford, 631 Twenty-third Avenue East. Please notice the changed date.

The incident occurred in the bright sunshine and served to prove beyond question the assertion that has been made for some time by the directors of the company that there was a huge volume of gas emanating from the well.

And in writing this little story of my trip to the Black Diamond property yesterday it is scarcely necessary for me to mention what is well known to the citizens of Calgary, that assertions regarding this well have been about as numerous as the sands of the seashore. Stories—some of them of colossal absurdity—have been circulated about the Black Diamond well. Personally, within the bast month, I have been informed by men whom society never expects to send to Ponoka, that the Black Diamond company was not drilling a well; that it never intended to drill a well; that when the first load of lumber arrived on the property there was a woman there with a gun at the persuasive point of which she forced the intruders to remove to another part of the universe because the mineral rights actually belonged to her; and to crown all, that the said woman had been paid by the Black Diamond company to play this dramatic role because the board of management wanted an excuse for not drilling.

Relic of Waterloo

These and other tales of a similar character recalled themselves to mind as the car in which I journeyed rapidly covered the distance separating the city of Calgary from what all confidently expect will develop into the richest oil fields in the known history of the world.

I did not expect to be held up by a man with a gun or dogs endowed with the lust for human flesh, because I was aware of the fact that the property had been thrown open to the public by the directorate. However, it may not be amiss to note among the things I first observed on entering upon the property were the sleeping forms of four dogs that had evidently enjoyed a hearty dinner—a discovery which I must confess created a considerable feeling of assurance. Then on stepping inside the wooden structure at the base of the derrick I beheld suspended by a hook on the wall near the door a gun of patriarchal design. Later in the day one of the visitors soberly informed me that the gun referred to was the one from which had been fired a bullet that had narrowly missed sending the great Napoleon to his death on the fatal field of Waterloo.

As to whether or not this story is worthy of a place on the white summit of the mountain of veracity, I cannot state, and the only comment that seems advisable is that it possesses the flavor characteristic of the vast majority of the stories that have passed from mouth to mouth respecting the Black Diamond well.

The bald truth regarding this well can be summed up briefly. Up to date no strike of oil has been made at the well, which has now reached a depth of 1,625 feet. However, I was shown by Mr. George E. Buck, managing director of the company, a large can containing black oil which had been skimmed from off the top of the contents of the baler on various occasions since the Dakota sands were reached, 1,380 feet below the surface. Neither the drill nor the baler were in operation yesterday, but I, personally, have no dubiety as to the honesty of the statement made by Mr. Buck, which was corroborated by Mr. J. W. Hayes, chief driller, and several other employes. Moreover, an inspection of the dumping ground where the dark-hued sands lay piled revealed evidence of the presence of oil.

Many members of the public will doubtless have wondered why it is that since striking the Dakota sands the drill of the Black Diamond has not gone down at a greater rate of speed, and probably the majority are in blissful ignorance of the fact that the Dakota sands form the hardest strata through which the drill has to pass. Indeed the first 200 feet of these sands proved about as hard as granite. Some idea of the texture of this strata may be gathered from the statement that frequently it has occurred that the well has been deepened by only two feet after twelve hours of continuous pounding by the drill. However, the sands are beginning to display less resistance to the progress of the drill. Night and day shifts commenced to run on Saturday, and it is believed that from now on the well will be deepened by at least 10 feet daily.

Volume of Gas

As for the manifestations of the presence of oil in the well, I witnessed along with several other newspaper men what happened when two pices of lighted waste were thrown into the well. There followed instantly a huge flame that was accompanied by a startling explosive sound far down in the hole, and it was after one of these that the assembled company risked falling off the wooden platform which stands 12 feet above the orifice in order that they might look down into the well, and catch a glimpse of the flaming waste as it descended to the bottom.

Indeed there is so much gas in the well that Driller Hayes expressed the opinion that he thought considerable risk of serious damage to the derrick was involved by the dropping of waste into it. The idea was strengthened when a few minutes later about 30 persons who had made the trip down to the property surrounded the well, and the waste demonstration was again given. On this occasion the explosion was of such a character as the well. it is not difficult to under- to greatly alarm the spectators, and two men rushed backwards so hurriedly from the opening that they stumbled and fell over a piece of piping.

Driller Interviewed

I had a very interesting conversation with Driller Hayes. He impressed me as being a man both modest and sincere. Mr. Hayes has had over thirty years' experience in the oil fields of the United States, and has been engaged in connection with the drilling of many hundreds of wells. He stated that from present indications he was satisfied that a body of crude oil would be struck at Black Diamond, and that the strike would be made before the drill had penetrated a depth of 2,000 feet. He had never seen in all his experience black oil of the character which had been obtained from the well, but he felt that when the main body was reached the oil would be lighter.

The same spirit of optimism prevailed among the other five employees on the property, and as they are all personally interested in the success of stand that they will put forth every effort to read the fluid which they firmly believe lies somewhere beneath the point of the drill.

The Black Diamond property is picturesquely situated on the banks of Sheep Creek. The derrick stands on an eminence, while down below in a miniature valley sheltered from every wind that blows is the camp, which is easily the most inviting in appearance on the oil fields at the present moment, and in this respect at any rate Black Diamond leads all its competitors.

I cannot conclude this article on Black Diamond without reiterating in a sentence the tenor of all that has gone before. The Black Diamond company is doing everything humanly possible to reach the oil, and their prospects of doing so are as fair and hopeful as looked the camp yesterday, when it lay bathed in the light of the summer sun, bounded on one side by the river, with its several little homes sheltered and shaded by the surrounding hills and the green foliage of the trees.

Women Take Up Oil Stock In New Field

Calgary, June 10.—The fair members of the Calgary Women's Press Club firmly believe that a great future awaits the oil fields and as proof of their optimism, it is of interest to note that at a meeting of the club held it was decided to invest $50 in oil stock. Just what companies this money will be invested in is a matter that may require the holding of several extraordinary meetings of the club, but it may be taken for granted that the prospectuses of the various companies will undergo a most scrupulous examination before the funds of the press club are entrusted to their keeping.

A committee has been appointed to handle this matter and the fact that the convenership of this committee is held by Miss Hutton, who is herself a broker, warrants the opinion that if there is any money to be made from the oil fields the members of the Calgary Women's Press Club will get their full share.

Another organization composed of members of the gentler sex has seen fit to take a flutter in oil, is the Mothers' Club of Connaught School. This club is in the happy position of having funds in excess, and the mothers have shown themselves to be possessed of sufficient enterprise to invest $50 in United Oils. The profits that may accrue from this source are to be devoted to the purchase of a Victor-Victrola for the school.

Banquet.

The Maple Leaf Chapter of the Order of Eastern Star Lodge last night entertained the Maple Leaf Masonic Lodge and their friends to a social evening, followed by a banquet, in Oddfellows' Hall. A large number were present and had a most enjoyable evening. On the entertainment was a musical programme, cards and dancing. Addresses were given by members of the Maple Leaf Masonic Lodge. The hall was decorated for the occasion with flags, bunting, maple leaves and cut flowers.

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