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The First Evening Session of Council is Largely Attended by Ratepayers—

Big Crop of Lawyers' Letters a Big Legacy That Is Not Appreciated

Report of Various Committees Are Read---Grant of $2,500 to the Victorian Order of Nurses is Passed---Bylaw for $300,000 Temporary Loan from the Canadian Bank of Commerce Receives Necessary Readings

The first evening session of South Vancouver Council last Thursday week marked a new departure in the public transaction of civic business. It afforded an opportunity for many ratepayers to hear and see for themselves in what manner the new reeve and councillors were likely to run the show. That seven o'clock is a trifle too early to commence the proceedings was evident from the fact that it was nearly half past seven before a start was made.

A full muster of members faced a crowded chamber of ratepayers, among whom several ladies graced the occasion. The meeting was not a prolonged one. Nor did any of the councillors contribute much eloquence to the deliberations of the council. It was, in fact, a very quiet, if not subdued affair altogether. Possibly it is more correct to say that it was a very business-like meeting.

Certainly Reeve Dickie gave the general impression of being a very business-like chairman. Clear, concise and considerate, the reeve showed no lack of decision in his handling of the business of the evening. He acted in truth "to the manner born," as if he had been reeve of South Vancouver all his life.

Councillor Gold, perhaps, disappointed some of the audience, agreeably or otherwise. For the redoubtable councillor, who was so much in the limelight during the late elections was extremely restrained and quiet in the few remarks he saw fit to make. Perhaps the opportunity was lacking. Or it may be that the responsibilities of office are having the usual moderating influence. Be that as it may, Councillor Gold as chairman of the finance committee, has probably the most exacting position on the council next to that of the reeve.

It was a joy to many to see the old war-horse, Councillor Thomas, back in his favorite arena. Smiling and debonair, the councillor seemed quite in his native element. As the father of the council, his experience and knowledge of past municipal work must exercise considerable weight. If he is not the "Prince Rupert of debate," he may be justly termed the "Solomon" of the council.

The greater part of the evening's proceedings were devoted to the reading of the reports of the business done by the various committees during the previous week or so. Several communications were read of a legal kind, upon which Reeve Dickie exclaimed deprecatingly, "What more lawyers' letters." But Councillor Gold is not afraid of writs. When the solicitors for the Dominion Creosoting Company wrote asking for payment of a cheque for certain work done and threatening proceedings otherwise, Councillor Gold wanted to move that the letter be not considered at all. The contractors, declared Councillor Gold, had received no written instructions from the municipal engineer to proceed with the work. "Nor, from anyone else," corroborated Reeve Dickie.

A letter, however, from lawyers representing a South Vancouver lady who claimed $2000 damages for alleged injuries received in crossing Main Street, received quite anxious consideration by the reeve and councillors. There were ratepayers present and any one of them might at some time or other break a leg or dislocate an ankle in crossing a defective part of some road in the municipality with resultant law suits. It was affirmed, however, by Councillor Thomas, whose knowledge of past civic affairs is "extensive and peculiar," that the late council had come to the conclusion that the municipality was not liable, the crossing in question being in the same condition as others in South Vancouver.

One amendment was made to the report of the Finance Committee by which the sum of $2,500 was granted to the South Vancouver branch of the Victorian Order of Nurses, and it met with general approval.

The most important business of the evening was the necessary reading of a bylaw for a temporary loan of $300,000 arranged with the Canadian Bank of Commerce, in anticipation of the municipality's receipts for 1914, at not more than 6 per cent. interest. This is to enable the necessary business of the council to be carried on through the coming months.

One or two deputations were heard by the council, and a numerously signed petition from residents of South Vancouver praying for a direct car service through Main Street to the city was laid upon the table. Since then the reeve and several councillors have interviewed the B. C. E. R. on this matter of transportation and it is now under the consideration of the company.

CAPTAIN J. B. HOLDEN

Has been elected President of the Provincial Progressive Club. Captain Holden is one of the ablest Liberal leaders in the province and promises to make his mark in the political arena of Greater Vancouver. He was formerly a member of the Provincial Legislature of Alberta.

The Week's Spade Work of South Vancouver Council

Reeve Dickie Vetoes Water Wells Investigation but is Out-voted—Encroachment Claims are Considered—Claim for Damages is Repudiated—Council Delegation Leaves for Victoria

During the week several committee meetings of South Vancouver council have been held and further investigations have been made into the working of the various departments. There are reports of additional changes in organization which have not, however, been definitely announced.

Encroachment Claims

At a meeting of the board of works on Monday several claims for encroachment were discussed. In some of the cases the municipal solicitor was instructed to make the best terms possible with the applicants, and committees were appointed to further consider the other claims.

Damages Claimed

The case of a South Vancouver lady who claimed, through her lawyers, $2000 damages for injuries alleged to have been caused by a fall while crossing Main Street at Sixty-third Avenue, was considered, Councillor Rutledge having inspected the scene of the accident. It was finally decided to decline liability on the part of South Vancouver.

The Municipal Act

A communication from Mr. Charles Harrison, formerly secretary of South Vancouver Board of Trade, was read in which he suggested that in view of the proposed amendment to the Municipal Act, with special reference to finance, direct representation of South Vancouver in the Legislative Assembly at Victoria was desirable. The letter also suggested that the committee of the council which leaves for Victoria this week to watch over the interests of South Vancouver, should take up the matter with the government. The letter was referred to the committee which consists of Reeve Dickie, Councillors Thomas, Rutledge, Stevens, Twiddy and Municipal Solicitor Clarke.

Ward Expenditures

Acting Engineer Cradock was instructed by the council to submit a report to the next meeting of the board of works showing the total expenditure in each ward up to February 17, with the actual position of each ward with respect to the contingency funds allotted. The engineer was also instructed to submit estimates on work already recommended to an equal amount for each ward, not to exceed a total of $14,000 for the seven wards.

Water Wells Investigation

Reeve Dickie vetoed a resolution of the council authorizing a committee previously appointed to ascertain the depth of the municipal water wells before continuing the work, the cost not to exceed $300, and that the water superintendent be authorized to supply the necessary equipment for the work.

In explaining his position on the matter, the reeve stated that he did not think the proposed expenditure was warranted by the results so far obtained by the committee, and that as the chief official concerned had already been given notice of dismissal, no good purpose would be served by further investigation. Notwithstanding this protest, however, the council decided to continue the investigation.

Procedure Bylaw

The 1914 procedure bylaw, governing the precedence of the reeve and council was read a first and second time, after being amended to bring it into uniformity with the decision of the council to amalgamate the plumbing, wiring and building departments.

Street Name Plates

The municipal engineer has been authorized to arrange for the street name plates now on hand to be erected in the different wards forthwith.

Visit to Victoria

On Tuesday the members of the council appointed as a committee, left South Vancouver for Victoria where they will watch the interests of the municipality in connection with the new municipal act now being considered in the legislature.

Collingwood Ratepayers

At a recent meeting of the Collingwood Ratepayers Association the following officers were elected for 1914: President, C. F. Williams; vice-president, H. B. Connecher; secretary, R. C. Pierce; executive, W. Graddon, J. Brinnen, W. Karr, E. Higham and A. Wilson; hon. president, A. E. Almas. There are now 57 members of the association.

It was announced that Councillor Rutledge had agreed to address the association twice a month, on the Friday following the evening sessions of South Vancouver council.

A NEW ELECTION POSSIBLE

Technicalities have been discovered, enemies of Reeve Dickie and the present South Vancouver civic administration claim, which will force a new election on the municipality.

For some weeks, it has been learned, a leading Vancouver lawyer has been reviewing certain circumstances in connection with the recent contest. Facts which had been gathered, coupled with the startling development in the municipality of Langley where the reeve was unseated because of the names of companies appearing on the voters' list instead of the names of individuals, give the situation a serious aspect.

It has been discovered that one man on Main Street, on election day, voted half a dozen times—as a representative of as many different companies whose names appeared on the Voters' List. This man's name appeared but once on the roll and he bore to the polling booths powers of attorney from the several corporations.

In Cedar Cottage, it is further stated, one man voted twice—once on his own property, and once on property owned by a partnership of which he was a member, upon which property his partner is also alleged to have voted.

Scores of companies, limited and otherwise, are the registered owners of South Vancouver property. During the last election all these corporations were represented at the polls by private individuals who carried powers of attorney.

The recent judicial decision in regard to the Langley case is declared to have a direct bearing on the South Vancouver situation and the probabilities are that a strong effort will be made to bring about the disqualification of the present council and a new election.

MASS MEETING CONVENED

On Monday evening, February 16, a mass meeting of the property owners on Fraser Street has been convened to take place at the Municipal Hall to discuss the question of paving Fraser Street, the extension of the car service to Woodward's Landing to connect with the Ladner Ferry service and other civic matters. The meeting will be held under the auspices of the Fraser Street Improvement Association.

Parcels Post Inaugurated

The parcels post system came into operation in Canada on Tuesday, February 10, notification being sent by the post office department in Ottawa to the Vancouver and South Vancouver post offices to that effect. Mr. George P. Findlay, postmaster of City Heights, South Vancouver, received the intimation on Tuesday, and although it is impossible to give any exact forecast now as to its effects on local post office business, he thinks the new service is likely to be largely patronized.

Liberal Club Smoker

The next smoking concert of the South Vancouver Liberal Club will be held on February 19. Mr. John Macdonald Mowat will be the principal speaker and others, who are expected to address the gathering will be Mr. Donald Burgess, president of the South Hill Liberal Association and Mr. J. J. Cachion, of Cedar Cottage. An excellent programme is being prepared, including some good local talent in song and recitation.

Lecture on Charles Dickens

An interesting lecture on "The London of Charles Dickens and the London of Today" was delivered by Mr. J. Francis Bursill (Felix Penne) in the Britannia High School on Friday of last week. The lecture, which was well attended, was illustrated by over 100 stereopticon slides secured by Mr. Bursill, who was a personal friend of Charles Green, George Cruickshank, S. E. Hall and other illustrators of Dickens' works. The speaker described the character of the author of "Boz," showing that all his writings had a tendency towards uplifting humanity.

Mr. Thomas Brough, principal of the school presided, and the school choir added to the enjoyment of the evening with musical selections.

BOARD OF TRADE BALL ATTRACTS LARGE GATHERING

Dancing and Orchestral Music in Gaily Decorated Kalenberg Hall was this Week's Great Social Event in South Vancouver.

Amid a glow of color, surrounded by the gay decorations of flags, pennants and streamers, with the sweet strains of a fine orchestra setting the pace to the "light, fantastic feet," the fourth annual ball of South Vancouver Board of Trade drew a brilliant assemblage to Kalenberg Hall on Wednesday night. As the social event this month of South Vancouver the whole affair passed off with eclat.

The ball presented a bright and inspiring scene. Pennants of all the provinces of the Dominion covered the walls, and near the orchestra was the banner with the strange device—"Welcome to our guests." Flags of all the nations hung harmoniously from the roof and there were Union Jacks and Canadian flags galore. Over the centre of the platform was suspended a pennant of the "British Empire" and elsewhere were to be seen emblems of South Vancouver, Vancouver and the principal cities of Canada. The whole scheme of decoration was most tastefully arranged, and reflected credit on those responsible for the planning thereof.

From South Vancouver there were present a number of the prominent residents, with their wives or lady friends in costumes, an adequate description of which is beyond the ordinary powers of a mere man. A large number of members of South Vancouver Board of Trade attended, including Mr. R. C. Hodgson, Pres., Mr. K. Lamond, secretary, Mr. W. J. Prowse, chairman of the hall committee and Messrs. C. W. Feast, W. J. Allen and H. N. Halberg, with their lady friends.

Among those who received invitations to attend the ball were: Mr. H. H. Stevens, M.P., and Mr. J. D. Taylor, M.P., for the Dominion Government; the six local members of the provincial legislature; the mayors of Vancouver, New Westminster and North Vancouver; the reeves of South Vancouver, Burnaby, Point Grey and Richmond; and the presidents of the boards of trade of New Westminster, Vancouver, North Vancouver, Point Grey and Richmond, with their wives or lady friends.

In the course of the evening light refreshments were served on tables beautifully decorated with yellow daffodils and ferns, presenting a very pretty one-color scheme. For the excellence of the repast much credit is due to Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Prowse who undertook the responsibilities of catering.

The musical part of the programme was most efficiently provided by Harper's Orchestra, of Vancouver, one of the finest organizations of the kind on the coast.

Excellent arrangements were made as regards car service, the B. C. E. R. running special cars from the city to the hall, and from South Vancouver to the city at 2 a.m. Many residents of Vancouver who attended the ball were thus able to avail themselves of an additional car service.

In the wee, sma' hours of the morning the guests began to disperse to their homes, after enjoying one of the most successful balls ever given by the South Vancouver Board of Trade.

Among the local guests present were members of South Vancouver council and school board and a number of municipal officials. Several letters of regret for inability to be present were read by Mr. W. J. Prowse, including one from Sir Richard McBride and one from Mayor Baxter, of Vancouver.

LOCAL BOARD OF TRADE OFFICERS AGAIN ELECTED

Mr. R. C. Hodgson is Re-elected President and Mr. W. J. Prowse as Vice-President---Council of Fifteen Members Nominated for Election in Two Weeks' Time

A largely attended meeting of South Vancouver Board of Trade was held on Monday evening. The principle business of the evening was the election of officers of the board and the nomination of members of the executive council for election at another later meeting.

Mr. R. C. Hodgson, who is also South Vancouver's representative on the North Fraser Harbor Commission was unanimously re-elected president of the board. The re-election of Mr. R. C. Hodgson will meet with general approval throughout the municipality. He has for several years closely identified himself with the interests of South Vancouver and has been one of the most active presidents of any board of trade in Greater Vancouver.

The unanimous choice of the meeting was also extended to Mr. W. J. Prowse as vice-president, and Mr. Kenneth Lamond was re-elected secretary-treasurer. Mr. Prowse has been connected with the board for several years and Mr. Lamond succeeded the late secretary, Mr. Charles Harrison.

The following members of the executive council were placed in nomination for election:

Messrs. Vogel, Feast, Stein, Harrison, Hill, Bruce, Peach, Murray, Allen, Whelpton, Alcock, McArthur, Kerr, Pound, Neelands, Burgess, Kent, Campbell, McGibbon, Bamber, Jackson, Rawden and Halberg.

The annual meeting of the board will be held on Monday, February 23, when among other business to be transacted the fifteen members of the executive will be duly elected.

Public Schools' Shooting

In the fortnightly shoot of the Vancouver Schools' Rifle League the Kitsilano School heads the list with 232. The following are the scores of the South Vancouver, Mount Pleasant and Fairview schools:

Laura Secord School—A. Hillcote 16, A. Pippet 24, S. Rintoul 9, G. Foley 21, C. Waterson 18, O. Ebert 6, J. Kerr (capt.) 30, M. Quinn 30; total 154.

Mount Pleasant School—W. Turnbull 25, A. Stedham 21, B. Fisher 26, L. Dixon 23, C. McCartney 27, S. Harris 27, H. Heal 30, H. Hallander (capt.) 31; total 210. S. Mowat, spare, 18.

Fairview School—C. Foss 27, G. Jarvis (capt.) 28, P. Laidlaw 21, H. Tupper 22, A. Dodge 22, G. Adler 20, V. Smith 14, R. Ford 30; total 184.

The General Gordon school cadets fired their first match in the Canadian Rifle League, making a total of 406, or an average of 51 per boy, as follows:

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THE LABOR WORLD

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There has been considerable controversy over the amount of unemployed workers in the city. The one party for political purposes has been trying to minimise the number and the other party for the same reason have been trying to give the real facts.

Recently a free labor agency was started in the city and the organizer stated that some two or three thousand had registered in one day. Mayor Baxter took the trouble to tell one of the daily press reporters that these men were mostly from outside the city, belonging to Point Grey, Burnaby and South Vancouver.

Greater Vancouver sounds all right sometimes, but at other times is best forgotten from the Mayor's view of the case.

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After a long debate the labor conference sitting in Pretoria, South Africa, adopted by 30 votes to 12, a motion providing for the acceptance of colored people into the party provided they agree to the party's policy of upholding and advancing the white man's standards. Pending the report of a committee on the definition of "colored people," the latter are defined as persons other than white, including Malays, but excluding African natives and Asiatics. A resolution was also adopted calling upon the government to take immediate steps to induce the repatriation of Indians (Hindoos) under adequate compensation.

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One of Simpson's first complaints upon the board of control in Toronto was in reference to the minimum wage provided for laborers in that city under the fair wage scale. He declared that "a minimum wage of 20c per hour was a disgrace to the city." A committee has been formed in the city council to revise the fair wages scale.

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The proposition emanating from the Miners' Liberation League, setting January 29 and 30 as the date of a 48-hour universal strike by the organized workers of Canada in protest against the imprisonment of the striking miners on Vancouver Island, as was to have been expected was not considered seriously by the Labor organizations of the Dominion, and there was no cessation of work in any of the provinces. The move was foredoomed to failure from the start for the organization that had assumed to take the initiative was an irresponsible body with no authority to issue such a circular as was sent out to the international organizations. The proposition was extremely ill-advised. The Trades and Labor Congress of Canada, itself, would not have had the temerity to put forward such an indefensible proposition. The labor organizations of Canada, while they fully sympathize with the miners of British Columbia, and stand ready to assist them by every legitimate method possible, are too level-headed to take any such hasty or ill-advised step as was proposed.

Even the Trades and Labor Congress of Canada has no authority to order a general strike. No other action than was taken was possible under the circumstances. Trade organizations today are not easily stampeded. There is a right and a wrong way to do things and the Miners' Liberation League started out from wrong premises and the result was only what might have reasonably been expected.

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Machinists at St. Thomas, Ont., are disturbing themselves over a proposal to establish a piecework system in the Michigan Central shops there. James Somerville, of Moose Jaw, executive board member, addressed a mass meeting in the city hall at St. Thomas last week. The machinists will resist the imposition of a piecework system.

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The first convention of the New Brunswick Federation of Labor was held on the week of January 20. Between Fifty and sixty delegates were in attendance and permanent organization was affected. A charter will be procured from the Trades and Labor Congress of Canada immediately. J. L. Sugrue, of St. John, was elected president and P. D. Ayre, of Moncton, as secretary. The next convention will be held at Fredericton in July of this year.

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At the last regular meeting of the St. John, N.B., trades and labor council, all affiliated crafts reported that things industrially were very slack, those whose members are employed on the waterfront being especially dull. Bricklayers and masons, carpenters and painters have few members at work. Printers, printing pressmen, marine checkers, moulders, barbers, machinists, freight handlers and tug boat firemen, report business as only fair for this period of the year, and plumbers and longshore workers as very poor indeed.

Among the several motions carried by the recent interstate congress of trades and labor councils, held in Adelaide, South Australia, is the following: "That the defence act should be so amended as to clearly set forth that the object of creating a citizen force based upon universal compulsory, military training and service, is for the purpose of defending the Commonwealth against possible foreign aggression, and, therefore, in no circumstances should any person so enrolled be compelled to bear arms against his fellow Australian citizen, notwithstanding anything contained in the oath of allegiance or any other condition of compulsory service."

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During the present strike in South Africa, the typographical union of Johannesburg has had a similar experience to that of the Nanaimo union of miners. While in session their meeting was invaded by the military and the whole of them to the number of sixty-two were arrested. They are charged with contravention of martial law. Pretty tough state of affairs reigns when meetings are impossible. Perhaps it was for this we fought in South Africa. Whether we did or we did not it is now certain that it is about all we deserved. Can't blame the Boers either, it is the Union Jack that is flying.

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What's the matter in South Africa? —Didn't the British beat the head off the Boer? Didn't Canadians send troops to free the miners from Boer conditions? Wasn't the British flag to give freedom to one and all? Hurrah! Holler your heads off. Look! What is this? Martial law in Boerland. Why? Because the workers dare ask for better conditions under the Union Jack with the usual results—the soldiers are called out and martial law proclaimed. Don't you dare call a scab a scab, or blackleg. The law says you must not— and the bayonets and bullets are being used to drive the slaves back to work while the stockholders sit and smile at the dirty job.—Winnipeg Voice.

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Workers throughout the dominion will be interested in the statement that the government has declared in favor of the union rate of wages for all work on the Toronto harbor. The announcement is undoubtedly the result of agitation on the part of the trade-union movement against the government's policy of allowing contractors to evade the provisions of the fair wage clause. This agitation has been especially vigorous against conditions on the new Welland canal, and the authorities' decision would indicate that they have heard the protests, and that a change is due.

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W. J. Dalton, a granite cutter, of Iberville, Que., says that "if he had money, here are some of the things he would do":

If I only had a hundred million dollars
I'd build a granite mansion for my wife,
I'd advertise for fifteen thousand cutters,
And you bet they would be satisfied with life.

If I had a hundred million "ditto"
I'd do my share to banish care and strife;
I'd buy up all the quarries in the country,
We'd have stock enough to last us all our life.

If I only had a thousand million "iron men,"
If some rich girl would only be my wife,
I'd pension all the cutters over forty,
Then I guess they would be satisfied with life.

I'd like a job with some firm estimating
Where competition is as keen as death,
I'd multiply and add about ten thousand
To give the boys a chance to draw their breath.

If some one raised my salary fifteen thousand
And all my friends gave me the grand salaam,
I doubt if I would ever live to spend it,
So I guess I'm satisfied the way I am.
What would you do?

The Bonnie Purple Heather

Sandy Has a Fling at the Daylight Savin Bill an' Dispels an Ugly Rumour

Weel freens, What are we gaun tae get next? I'm no referrin' tae the weather, but in passin', let's hope it'll be rain—onythings better than what we're haen the noo. Snaw disna suit this pairt o' the world, I dinna ken what wey, but somehoo or ither yae dinna feel comfortable while its on the grund. But tae came back tae what I wis intendin' tae write aboot.

I guess maist o' yae'll hae noticed whiles in the papers a discusschun gaun on aboot a bill some smert guys were intendin' tae bring afore the parliament owre in Victoria. It passed under the high-soondin' title o' the "Daylight Saving Bill." For a long time I wunnered what it a' meant an' at the feenish I wis forced tae ask the eddytur.

Yae ken the auld sang that ran "If yae want tae know the time, ask a *policeman.*" As *Post o' Post Toasties* an' ither sic truck says "There's a Reason."

Hooever, tae come tae the pint, I went an' interviewed his highness o' the blue pencil an' the red r—nose, an' as tae be expected frae a fellie that spends maist o' his time readin' the classics—ancient an' modern, but maistly the modern and sich as "Judge," "Puck," etcetry—he went intae a very learned discourse on the merits o' the bill.

"Sandy," he says, an' he didna speak for anither meenit or twa; he very nearly dislocated his jaws in an effort tae get his mooth shut efter a great big yawn; "this wan o' the finest things that has come afore the ceevelized world this last twenty or thirty year back; its importance can hardly be recognized an' its far-reachin' possibilities should be thoroughly understood."

"Weel," I says tae him, "I'm no' wantin' tae hear aboot what its likely tae dae or onythin' else. I came here for the specific reason o' ascertainin' what the preamble o' the bill is in the first place—an' leave it tae me tae think oot for mysel whether its a guid thing or no."

"Toots, mon," he replies, "yae dinna need tae get red-headed; let a fellie get his brathe a bit. You Scotsmen are a' the same; yaer aye wantin' tae get tae the bottom o' things, an' on the road doon yae dinna tak the time tae assimilate the facts unless it be a bottle o' whuskey, an' then yae hardly gie yaersels time tae pu' the cork."

"Cut that oot," I says; "I didna come heer tae be slaundered wi a man like you—why a guid gless o' whuskey wud kill yae."

Yae ken freens, there's a lot o' smert men in Canada an' when they meet a Scotty they aye think they can tak a bit jab at him but somehoo or ither yae'll aye notice they come off saicond best.

I could plainly see afore he went ony further that he kent jist as muckle aboot that bill as I kent mysel, but yae can aye trust they fellies for haen ony amount o' gall—what they dinna ken they double, then multiply, but never substract frae, an' the sum total is naethin' less than what we ca'd a d——d lee at hame, but they're more polite, of course, oot here, an' they ca' it B. S. Whatever that means I dinna ken, although I've often jaloused it meant, as the Frenchie says, "a la the Bowser Style."

Onywey, tae come back tae the midnicht—toots, toots, the "Daylicht Savin' Bill.

"Look here," says I; "dis it mean ony extra taxes or is it somethin' like the Insurance Bill at hame. Dae yae cairry a caird aboot in yaer waistcoat pocket. Man, I jist want tae ken the fundymental principle o' the thing."

As yaell can perfectly weel understand, freens, a fellies times pretty weel occupied wi ither things in this uncivilized weather the noo. The wife makes it an excuse for gaen an' makin' a Jessy Bell o' yae in the shape o' gettin' yae tae bring up the butcher meat an' sic like stuff because she says she's feared tae trust her feet on the sidewalks. Then there's they measly beggers o' hens, gee, they'd mak a fellies bluid bile. The wife will insist on me gien them a hot feed in the caller air o' mornin's like this. I've got a slinkin' idea that a parritch poultice applied in the proper place wud hae guid effects on the egg-producshun.

Hooever, he told me the main idea o' the promoters o' the bill wis tae mak it compulsory tae turn back the haunds o' the clock by an hoor in the summer time frae the first o' April (They certainly struck on the richt date.) He went on tae illustrate tae me the enormous amount o' time that wis wasted in the summer months by no takin' advantage o' the early licht in the mornin—valuable time wasted lyin' sleepin' in oor beds.

"It's fine tae hear geese quack." It's a richt for him tae talk aboot wastin' his time sleepin'. Gee yae never see him afore ten or eleven o'clock in the forenune an he's rubbin his e'en even at that. I sailed in tae him richt there an' telt him I never considered my time wasted lyin' in my bed. A man that daes a hard day's work never grudges the time he spends 'tween the blankets an' the sheets.

What a dauft idea onywey. If it had been the ither wey aboot an' they had suggested turnin' the clock back twa or three hoors in the winter mornin's an' then put it forrit again in the efternune—the Bill wud hae had my, an I'm shure the maist o' my readers, heartiest endorsashun. I guess the fellie wis an Englishman that invented that Bill.

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Wan o' my readers wrote me this week sayin' he had heard rumours fleein' aboot that I wis a candidate for the office o' Chief o' the Police force in Sooth Vancouver, an' wanted me tae say whether it wis true or no', for if it wisna the case he intended gaun efter the job himsel.

He menshuned that he wis six-fit three, a Heilanman frae Aiberdeen, an' could knock spots oot o' onybody if the same wis required.

Weel yae can tak it frae me, freens. When I tell yae I hae passed the stage in life when a polisman's uniform tempts me frae the straight an' narrow way.

If ever I wis a polisman I wud jine the City force an' get a job roond some o' the swell clubs where I wud hae a chance o' rinnin' in something big. Nane o' yaer common bank robbers for me.

Go to it, lad. I hope yae get the job, but believe me yae hinna got yaer sorrows tae seek.

Yours through the heather,

SANDY MACPHERSON.

Collingwood Men's Association

The annual meeting of the Collingwood and District Men's Business Association was held last week and was largely attended. Mr. Martin, the secretary, reported on the year's work of the association and referred to improvements affected with the B. C. E. R. service from Vancouver to Collingwood.

Mr. Martin in resigning his position as secretary was thanked for his past services, Mr. Orel being appointed his suecessor. Mr. Pringle was elected president and Mr. W. H. Kent, vice-president, and several new members were named.

The association has arranged to give at an early date, a concert for the benefit of the School Dinner Fund, and in the meantime the school children are being provided with hot lunches. The association will meet again next week at the Bursill Library, and arrangements are now being made for the coming concert.

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NEWS AND COMMENTS

Acting on behalf of an English syndicate which proposes to invest $100,000 in the laying of the foundation for a large shipbuilding plant near Sea Island in the North Arm of the Fraser, Messrs. Kenneth L. Burnet, W. D. Burdis and J. D. Magee have secured a lease on two small islands at the mouth of the Fraser.

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A ten-dollar verdict was awarded Mr. Henry Scully, the plaintiff in an action against Mr. J. S. Matson, proprietor of the "News-Advertiser." Mr. Scully's claim was for damages on account of a statement made in that paper to the effect that he had been "arrested, examined and freed again by the South Vancouver police early Monday morning." The defence was that while a mistake had been made, it had been unintentional and without malice and that an apology had been offered.

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At a meeting of the Greater Vancouver Sewerage Commission last week it was stated that the report of the three engineers appointed to inquire into the matter of the proportion of the assessment to be levied against each of the municipalities was now in hand. Mr. Bowser stated that 119 men were employed on the work which was making steady progress.

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It is announced that the Imperial Oil Company, which is supposed to be a branch of the Standard Oil Company, has bought 100 acres on the North Shore of Burrard Inlet, near Port Moody, from the Vancouver Timber and Trading Company for $150,000 cash. It is proposed to build a refining plant to cost $500,000 and to employ from 100 to 200 men. The plans for building and wharfs are already in preparation, and with the C. P. R. branch recently constructed through property put in active operation, there is likely to be work now for several hundreds of men during the spring.

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Mr. R. M. Robson, of 2234 Alberta Street, Mount Pleasant, who was recently in his old home in Ontario, where he attended the funeral of his father, has now returned.

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The regular monthly meeting of the W. F. C. S. was held on February 4 at the home of Mrs. E. W. Cleland, 63 26th Avenue East, South Vancouver. The meeting was opened by devotional exercises. Mrs. Taylor gave the bible reading from Isaiah, 35th chapter, while Mrs. Harvie read from the study, "the King's Business." An interesting letter was read from Mrs. McGuigan, one of the members, who was unable to attend. A report from the Annual Prayer Meeting of the W. M. F. S., which was held in First Church, was also received, while the minutes of the last meeting were read and approved. In connection with the Home Mission, a letter of thanks was read from the recipient of a comforter. During the evening Mrs. Cleland kindly served refreshments and the meeting closed with sentence prayers. The next meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. Johnson, 245 19th Avenue East.

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Sergeant Lee has been promoted to first class standing, having completed one year's service as sergeant in the South Vancouver police force.

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The Manufacturers' Association of British Columbia have moved their offices to the Board of Trade Building, Vancouver. It is expected that the offices of the proposed Industrial Commissioner will also be located in the same building.

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Mr. J. Francis Bursill will give a lecture on "Lord Strathcona. His Life and Times" on February 20, at the Aberdeen School, in connection with the winter session of the Art, Historical and Scientific Association.

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On Saturday last at the First Presbyterian Church, Vancouver, Miss Mary Flora Lamond, of South Vancouver, was married to Mr. Harry Heywood. The ceremony was performed by Rev. J. S. Henderson and was witnessed by Miss May Rolston and Mr. John Powell.

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At the home of the bride's parents, 1526 Third Avenue East, Vancouver, Miss Jeannie Duguid Kynoch, formerly of Aberdeen, Scotland, was married to Mr. Alexander Macpherson Matheson, of Dundee, on Friday of last week. Rev. C. R. Blunden was the celebrant, and a wedding supper was served after the ceremony. Mr. and Mrs. Matheson will reside in South Vancouver.

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For the first time this season the ice on Trout Lake, near Cedar Cottage, was thick enough last week to permit of skating, which was freely indulged in for several days.

As many hunters in Greater Vancouver have applied for gun licences, a notice has been issued from the game warden's department to the effect that gun licenses do not expire until March 31 and cannot be renewed before that date.

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The big cougar which has been terrorizing the people of North Vancouver recently was shot last Friday week. It is stated that a cougar was also recently killed at Hastings and that two have been seen lately in the vicinity of Point Grey. The game warden has expressed the opinion that cougars are becoming more plentiful in Greater Vancouver this winter than usual.

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Miss Gutteridge delivered an address on Women Suffrage on Sunday at the Fraser Hall, South Vancouver, under the auspices of the Democratic party of Canada. It was well attended and Dr. Curry and others spoke on the subject.

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The Progress Club has been now incorporated under the name of the "Vancouver Industrial Bureau." Its objects are stated to be: "To encourage and assist the civic, industrial, commercial and transportation interests of the city of Vancouver, surrounding districts and the province as a whole, and generally to assist trade and commerce and civic welfare."

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Springfield Lodge, No. 79, International Order of Good Templars, held their weekly meeting in the Cedar Cottage hall, Victoria Road, on Friday, February 6. Under the direction of Brother James, visiting L. D., the installation of newly-elected officers took place with the usual ceremonies. The St. Valentine's basket ball social will be held Friday, February 13, and the next regular meeting will be on Friday, February 20.

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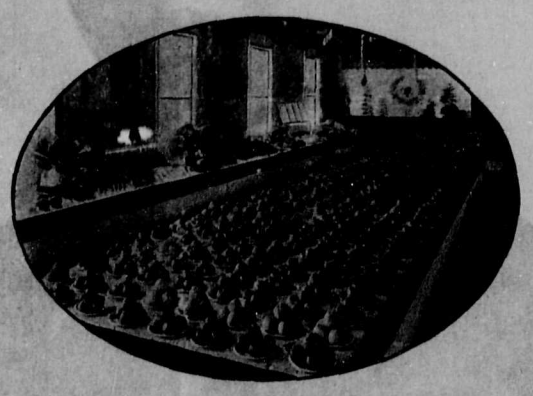
It was announced by Premier McBride a few days ago that steps will be taken to reserve all deposits of radium in the province by the government for the exclusive use of the people of British Columbia, and legislation will be introduced with that object in view.



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Provincial Progressive Club

At a meeting held last Friday week of the Provincial Progressive club in the O'Brien Hall, Vancouver, the following officers were elected: Hon. president, H. C. Brewster; vice-president, C. Macdonald; president, J. B. Holden; vice-president, J. S. Adam; secretary-treasurer, W. P. Nicholls; executive, N. Steveston, J. Ruston, J. Foster, L. Vincent, J. S. Adam, J. Edwards, Russell Jones, A. McDougal, Fred Ogle, Pratt, Smith and A. Gregor. Messrs. Adams, Ruston, Edwards, Ogle, Foster and Vincent were elected delegates for the city and district executive meeting, in addition to the president and secretary. W. A. Blygh gave an address in which he referred to the excellent work done for the party by the young Liberals of Greater Vancouver.

It Was Up to Dobbin

A cultured daughter, home from boarding school, had just been driving the fat and antiquated family horse, from which all speed and spirit had departed some fifteen years before.

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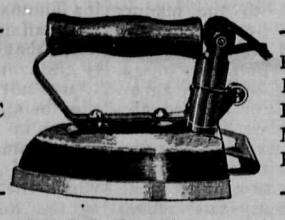

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Mr. J. C. McArthur, who was laid up at home with a bad cold for several days after his recent trip to Victoria has now recovered and is out and about.

THEATRICAL & MUSICAL

Empress Theatre

"Baby Mine," Margaret Mayo's laughing success is announced as the offering next week at the Empress Theatre, beginning Monday evening, February 16. No play in years has created more laughter than this sparkling comedy. Miss Mayo confesses that she got the idea for "Baby Mine" from a newspaper clipping which stated that thousands of husbands are fondling babies in the belief that they are their own. With this basic idea Miss Mayo has fashioned the funniest play of recent years.

From the moment the hot-headed husband leaves home in a towering rage, and when later a comforting friend of the wife suggests that he be lured back by a telegram announcing that at last he is the father of a baby boy. "Baby Mine" becomes a creamingly funny comedy that knows no let up in its laughing department. "Baby Mine" is a play that has been a positive and legitimate success from its first production. The aim of the authoress and producer has been to create real fun, merriment and laughter, and they have succeeded almost to the limit. There is unbridled gayety all the time and there is not a dull or solemn moment in it. The methods and manner of the young wife and deluded husband are close to real happenings and impress many of an adult audience personally. It is rib-expanding fun and all so fascinating that many are willing to see "Baby Mine" over and over again. A year in New York, eight months in Chicago and nearly two years in London at the Criterion Theatre is but a brief record of the comedy's run in the larger cities. It will be presented at the Empress by a cast of unusual excellence, many of whom have already played in the bill, and patrons are assured in advance of a hilarious evening's entertainment.

"The Silver Horde" has been an unqualified success as presented by the Lawrence Players and crowded houses have been the rule for the entire week. Apart from the exciting plot and unique character drawings, its vivid and accurate pictures of the great salmon fisheries of Alaska, would alone ensure its success. The acting has been capital throughout and "The Silver Horde" will remain in memory as one of the artistic successes of this popular company of players.

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Orpheum Theatre

Another brilliant array of vaudeville has been booked for the week of Feb. 16, at the Orpheum Theatre, and while the first two weeks's bills have been unusually good, this one promises to eclipse them, and reservations for choice seats should be made early. Fritzi Scheff, the celebrated Vienesse Prima Donna and one of the highest salaried acts in vaudeville, will be the headline attraction, and comes here direct from St. Paul to open her engagement on the Orpheum Circuit. Miss Scheff is the best-known contemporary light opera star, an artist that is as representative of the musical world as Bernhardt is of the dramatic. Possibilities for her in the light opera or musical comedy were so great that Miss Scheff entered willingly into the movement to place her at the head of her own company. The first vehicle in which she traveled this new road was "The Two Roses." This was followed in succession by "Girofle," and "Boccacio," "Mlle. Modiste," "The Prima Donna," "The Duchess," and "The Mikado." She is without a doubt one of the most attractive women on or off the stage. Her charm and daintiness, together with her style, commanding the utmost approval.

A novel skit that fairly reeks with comedy is effered by Tudor Cameron & Johnny O'Connor in "Hired and Fired." The pair are exceptionally capable comedians and have billed for themselves characters that permit of the most opportunities for their fun making.

Madge P. Maitland is working along different lines than those pursued by any other single character. Eschewing the popular and rag songs she is presenting a line of character songs, several of which were written especially for her.

There have been monkeys and monkeys and still more monkeys. It is doubtful if there has ever been presented a more comical lot of monkeys than those which Edward Gillette uses in his original comedy scene. "Fun in a Bowling Alley," in which Adam and Eve, said to be the only monkey bowlers on earth, are the stellar illuminaries.

Sam Barton nearly rides a wheel. What is more important, however, is the fact that he keeps his audience in a continual roar of laughter during the entire time that he makes this endeavor for them.

An original patter act, full of clean, bright fun, is offered by Armstrong & Ford. It is called "The English Johnny and the Cop." The title is explanatory of the two types represented. Mr. Armstrong makes the policeman the aggressive type of a bluecoat, while as a distinct contrast, Mr. Ford plays the Johnny as a silk hatted domiciled idiotic Englishman.

In the manipulation of Indian clubs it is necessary to excel in order to attract even passing attention. The truth of this statement is undeniable and therefore the best endorsment for the Throwing Tabors is the fact that during the eight minutes they occupy the stage their audience is held in rapt attention.

There will be new Motion Pictures, first run, of course, and the Concert Orchestra will be heard in new selections.

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Imperial Theatre

A bill crowded to the full with variety will be offered at the Imperial next week, with another of Joe Maxwell's girl acts called "The Seven Dancing Girls" occupying the headline position. This act furnishes a fine bit of feminity and scenic embellishments that are too infrequent in popular priced vaudeville.

A rollicking comedy act, based on Shakespeare's "Macbeth" will be presented by the Kierman Walters and Kiernan company wherein all the serious lines of the original piece are twisted into volumes of laughter and grotesque make up.

Fred Warren and Al Blanchard, two blackface comedians who have been on the stage many years will be another comedy feature of the week's offering.

It is seldom that two youngster are blessed with the talent and musical genius of Hazel Berko and Alexander Korae, known as "The Little Melba" and the "Little Paderewski," who will appear at the Imperial during the coming week.

Another comedy act with acrobatics is the offering of Patrick Francisco and Warren, trio of clever tumblers.

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Pantages Theatre

A top-notch programme has been fixed up at the Pantages Theatre for the week beginning February 16, of which the leading attraction will be a musical comedy sketch entitled "In Laughland, or who is who," presented by Bothwell Brown. It is full of sustained fun, and is supported by a musical programme of 14 people.

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Dreamland Theatre

On Friday, February 13, "The Necklace of Rameses," the greatest detective story ever written. It is one of the most remarkable three-reel dramas ever produced. This film shows the pursuit of a pair of criminals from New York, through England, France and Italy. A necklace is stolen rfom a mummy in a New York museum, and the thief flies to England, where she is joined by another crook. Among the many incidents which crowd rapidly upon one another are the clever transfer of the necklace from one crook to another before the very eyes of the detective by means of a wine glass; a hand-to-hand struggle in a gondola and a flight over the roofs of the houses in Rome, in which one thief loses his life. Don't miss this great three-reel feature. To conclude with two reels of comedy. Come early to avoid the rush. First show 7.30, second show 8.45.

Miss Maude Leone, at the Empress Theatre

Florence Nightingale

Almost everyone knows that Florence Nightingale was born in the city of Florence, after which she was named. Her parents resided at that period at Bellosgardo, a suburb outtisde the Porta Romana, where they occupied the fine old fifteenth-century villa known as La Colombaia.

Recently Italy and the British colony combined to pay a tribute of pride and affection to the memory of the famous Englishwoman whom "the City of Flowers" yet claims as one of her heroic daughters. The Italian Government willingly consented to the erection of a memorial in the cloister of Santa Croce, the Westminster Abbey of Italy. In the cloister beneath the arcade, which looks upon an ancient garden, has been placed the memorial, which is the work and gift of the sculptor, F. W. Sargent, and is extremely beautiful and appropriate in its classic simplicity. It represents Florence Nightingale as "The Lady of the Lamp," the touching name conferred on her by the wounded whom she tended so devotedly during the Crimea, and by which future generations will continue to know her.

Sargant did not attempt to reproduce the lineaments of the original, but has represented an ideal figure in white marble thrown into relief by a dark background. In the hand is a lamp held aside in the position of one thus better able to see the object at which the down-bent eyes appear to be gazing. The monument bears the inscription:

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A FAMILY CONCERT

A concert at which the mothers, wives, sweethearts sisters and children of members and friends were present in goodly numbers is the latest achievement of the South Vancouver Liberal Club. This family affair was held at the club rooms, 4362 Main Street on Wednesday evening and a very pleasant time was spent in listening to song, recitation and instrumental music.

Mr. S. F. Henderson, to whom the success of the entertainment was largely due, proved himself a genial and, as befitted a family concert, a fatherly chairman. Although the concert was principally a musical one, and smoking was tabooed, politics were not altogether ignored. Mrs. W. A. McConkey, for instance, gave an interesting address on "Women's Suffrage." Mrs. McConkey is a lucid and persuasive speaker. It would be a good thing for the higher plane of politics if all mere male speakers were animated with the same "sweet reasonableness" that characterised the lady's discourse. Mrs. McConkey expressed the belief that B. C. would be the first province in Canada to grant the franchise to women and acknowledged the indebtedness of suffragettes to the Liberal party for putting their claim on its platform.

Mr. G. G. McGeer, president of the club as well as of the Richmond Liberal Association, gave a brief address on Liberalism. He was one who did not think that their political life should be apart from their social life. As a Liberal he believed in the extension of the franchise to women, which he was convinced would tend to the better political government of the country. Referring to the lack of proper representation at Victoria, Mr. McGeer emphasized the apathy of the government in the matter of helping South Vancouver in selling its bonds and its general neglect of the whole interests of the constituency.

In the musical part of the program all the performers acquitted themselves to the enjoyment of the audience. It might be mentioned that the singing, especially of Miss Beswick in "The Dream of Home," and of the Misses Beswick and Mabel Kay in the duet, "Parting to Meet Again" was a delight to the ear. Both of these young ladies have exceedingly sweet and cultivated voices. The following was the program:

Anthem—"Oh Canada!" Audience; Trio—Violin and Piano, Misses Bailes and Mabel and Eva Kay; Song—"Till the Sands of the Desert Grow Cold," Mr. D. H. Joynes; Song—"The Dream of Home," Miss Beswick; Song—"Hail King George," Mr. Magnus Irvin; Addess—Mrs. W. A. McConkey; Recitation, Mr. John Third, Jr.; Violin selection, Mr. Joe Chamberlain; Duet—"Parting to Meet Again," Misses Beswick and Kay; Song—"A Perfect Day," Miss Mabel Kay; Address—Mr. G. G. McGeer.

Dominion Redistribution Bill

On Tuesday Premier Borden introduced the new redistribution bill in the Dominion House of Commons, Ottawa, and it received its first reading. In the course of his statement the premier enumerated the number of seats it was proposed to give to each province of the Dominion with the exception of Prince Edward Isand which was left blank for the committee to deal with.

In the new redistribution bill British Columbia is given 13 seats, as compared with 7 which is the number the province has had to be content with since 1903. This redistribution of seats will probably affect Greater Vancouver more than any other part of the province. It is stated that the bill will go to the committee at an early date.

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The meetings are conducted by Mr. J. J. Rouse and all are cordially invited.

Progressive Whist Drive

A progressive whist drive will be held in the hall of the South Vancouver Liberal Club, 4362 Main Street, on February 27. Ladies are especially invited to grace the occasion as well as take a hand in the games.

Ruth Morton Memorial Church

Next Sunday, February 15, at the Ruth Morton Memorial Baptist Church, corner of Twenty-second Avenue and Prince Albert Street, South Vancouver, Mrs. A. A. McLeod will give a missionary address at the morning service, and the pastor, the Rev. J. Willard Leitch, will preach in the evening.

New Choral Society

The formation of a choral society in the Collingwood district is proposed. Messrs. Tait, Todd, Crawford and Prentice, the organizers will be glad to receive the names of those wishing to join the society.

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THE MUNICIPAL CLAUSES ACT

ATTORNY-GENERAL BOWSER'S proposed amendments to the Municipal Clauses Act should have the close scrutiny of the people of South Vancouver and Burnaby. From the information which can be gleaned from the brief reports of parliamentary proceedings at Victoria, published on the inside pages of the Government newspapers it can be seen that the object of the Government is to have itself appointed guardian of South Vancouver, Burnaby and the other municipalities of British Columbia.

You have read in story books of the wicked relatives who have had themselves appointed trustees of estates and guardians of rich nieces or nephews. There is a yarn about the "The Babes in the Wood." In this instance South Vancouver and Burnaby are Little Willie and Mary, respectively. Mr. Bowser proposes to take the little ones off to a forest of complicated legislation and lose them there.

In the introduction of his amendments to the Municipal Clauses Act, Mr. Bowser places himself on record as being in favor of annexation—but not annexation of South Vancouver to the City of Vancouver, but rather to the City of Victoria. In remodeling the Municipal Act, Mr. Bowser displays an aptness for organization which should make him a valuable man to any great financial organization. Under the laws as they stand today, Mr. Bowser has the Province of British Columbia in the palm of his hand. To display his genius further, he strives through the remaking of the laws to create new fields for conquest.

It is proposed that a new department be developed at Victoria to be known as the Municipal Department. Such a department is designed to take away the self-governing powers of such municipalities as Burnaby and South Vancouver—to relieve Mr. Thomas Dickie and Mr. Hugh Fraser of any worry whatsoever in the administering of the affairs of these municipalities.

Chief among the features of the new legislation is a clause which provides that British Columbia municipalities must seek the "O. K." of the government upon all plans for the raising of money by the issue of bonds and debentures. It is explained by the Attorney-General that such an innovation will protect the credit of British Columbia in the money markets of the world. South Vancouver, then, cannot borrow a dollar without the sanction first of Mr. Bowser. If it is proposed to buy a park site for $50,000, Mr. Bowser must first be consulted. If the municipality should desire to pave a few blocks of Fraser Street, Mr. Bowser must be consulted. In every move that is made for the upbuilding of a municipality, the reeve and councillors must first consult Mr. Bowser.

The placing of the "hall mark" of the Province on all bond issues is a plan which might have been made to work out to the interests of every ratepayer in British Columbia. The point, however, is that Mr. Bowser will make it compulsory for every municipality to first submit its financial plans for his approval. He will be the sole arbiter in all matters pertaining to the financing of the various municipalities of the Province.

If the past record of the McBride Government may be taken as an indication of what the future has in store, the Municipality which boosts the Bowser game will secure the much cherished "hall mark" and the municipality which does not bow the knee to Bowser may suffer accordingly.

Referring to this "hall mark" business on the floor of the House, Mr. Bowser stated that it would discourage, among other things, the chances of municipalities rushing to bonus railways and other utilities.

Next in line of amendments to the Municipal Act is a clause which provides for the auditing by the Government of all School Board and Municipal accounts—possibly along the lines of the Crehan fiasco.

It is further proposed to appoint an Inspector of Municipalities. This official will circulate among the municipalities of British Columbia and from what can be learned, his word will be law in all things. He may precipitate an inquiry at any time into any department of any municipality. His authority it will be to say yes or no in all matters. Hence ratepayers associations will be relieved of their functions.

In regard to the investment of municipal sinking funds, the Government will have the whole say. This means that the local man who wants to borrow $2,000 at six per cent. from the municipal coffers on property worth $1,500 has had his day—unless he be of the right stripe.

"It will not be fair," says Mr. Bowser, "to allow municipalities to construct competitive street railways, electric light plants, or telephone systems without some reference to the vested interests of those who have made development possible. A provision has therefore been inserted in the act that no municipality will be allowed to undertake work of this nature without the consent of the Lieutenant-Governor-in-Council."

This seems eminently fair to vested interest. Is it fair to the people? The fact that those public utility corporations at present in existence in Greater Vancouver have shown a disposition to be more or less fair in the past few years in dealing with the people, does not stand as a guarantee that it will be at all times the policy of vested interests in British Columbia to show one whit of respect for the people who will pay their dividends. And Bowser, behold you, would be the sole arbiter in these matters.

Among the amendments, however, is a clause which provides for the legalizing of tax sales which would seem to fill the bill. It is unfortunate, however, that this subject did not receive the attention of the Government years ago.

Why should it be necessary that the Government appoint the magistrates for the various municipalities? The new act provides that the Government shall make all such appointments and shall set all salaries for such positions. The Government shall also have the power to appoint members to the license boards in all municipalities. This power is taken out of the hands of the municipal councils. The police committees will in future have two representatives of the government in the place of the usual representatives from the municipal council.

Then there is a clause which gives the Provincial police full powers over the municipalities. They may exercise in the municipalities all the power usually vested in the municipal police.

In forcing this legislation upon the people of British Columbia, particularly upon the people of Burnaby and South Vancouver, the Government strikes again at the very foundation of responsible government, creating in South Vancouver and Burnaby a condition which has not existed in Canada since the days when the Family Compact was overthrown and representative government first established in Upper Canada.

Though the Municipal Commission recently toured the Province to test the sense of the people on the subject of proposed Municipal Legislation, there is no record of their having visited Burnaby or South Vancouver, the two largest and most important district municipalities in British Columbia. And this new legislation affects us most vitally.

In the Provincial Legislature, the 40,000 people of South Vancouver, 10,000 or more ratepayers of Burnaby have absolutely no representation.

True, there is the Hon. F. L. Carter-Cotton, member for Richmond Electoral District, a district which embraces an area nearly as large as England, of which Burnaby and South Vancouver is a very small part. Yet Carter-Cotton's voice has not been heard on the floor of the House since his election. The people of Burnaby and South Vancouver have never seen the man, and he has never consulted the people of Burnaby and South Vancouver on any subject relating to municipal law-making or any other legislation. We are a district, with all the potentialities which go to make a great and important community, yet are robbed of the very right to handle our own affairs; the privilege of spending our own taxes; the privilege of using the ballot.

We are in the hands of a dangerous man—a little, obscure lawyer, who, swept into a high position in the land, upon the crest of a wave of opportunity, now dictates how we shall live and where withal we shall be clothed. We are but servile vassals of the Caesar of British Columbia.

THE VICTORIAN ORDER

THE South Vancouver Council did a worthy act last week in granting $2,500 towards the funds of the Victorian Order of Nurses, of which there is a branch in South Vancouver.

Few charitable institutions in British Columbia have rendered such invaluable work as the Victorian Order since its formation in the province. There are branches of the order in every city or municipality on the coast, and those who have studied the operations of the various charitable organizations of the kind are unanimous in bearing testimony to the excellent work they perform throughout Greater Vancouver.

In South Vancouver, especially, the ladies who devote their time to despensing the funds of the local branch of the order, deserve particular credit for their unselfish efforts in aiding the poor, sick and unfortunate members of the community during the past few winter months. They have visited the sick, provided nurses and medical attention when necessary, and relieved the most pressing cases of want with gifts of provisions and clothing. They have been thoughtful and painstaking in making enquiries, and have in many ways helped to brighten the lot of many a home that would otherwise have suffered considerable privation.

Owing to the recent hard times which have struck South Vancouver as well as other parts of the province, the ladies of the local branch of this deserving order have been put to more than usual expense and expenditure of time in administering the fund. As these ladies are well acquainted with the conditions of the municipality at the present time, their services to the whole community of South Vancouver cannot be too highly appreciated.

SOME MUNICIPAL COMPARISONS

IN the statistics published in last week's issue giving the net debt per capita of the principal cities and municipalities of the province it was shown that while South Vancouver and Burnaby had the two lowest debts, New Westminster and Point Grey had the highest debts per capita.

With regard to the two latter cities or municipalities, the heavy percentages given are no doubt largely due to their comparatively small and scattered populations. The population of New Westminster is given as 17,000 and that of South Vancouver as 39,000, which is about 2¼ times greater than is credited to the Royal City. The per capita net debt of South Vancouver is given as $108, while the debt of New Westminster is given as $250, which is also over 2¼ larger than is borne by this municipality. The total debts, in fact, of both municipalities are about the same, being $4,325,832 for South Vancouver and $4,383,414 for New Westminster.

It should be borne in mind, also, that the roads in the Royal City are infinitely superior to those of South Vancouver, there being, indeed, no comparison possible, having regard to the much older settlement of New Westminster. In lighting and drainage the Royal City has also much greater advantages. But it cannot be denied that in municipal government South Vancouver has much to learn from the Royal City.

With a population given as 15,000, less than 2½ times as much as that of South Vancouver, Point Grey is shown to be saddled with a debt of $4,212,889, or $280 per capita. This municipal debt is nearly as great as that of South Vancouver. The residents of Point Grey claim, however, that they have much better roads and superior street lighting and drainage than South Vancouver. So far as roads are concerned Point Grey probably has the advantage, but we may hope that, as the financial situation improves, South Vancouver will not long remain in its present unenviable position of inferiority.

TWO PRO-CONSULS

ACCORDING to a local comtemporary, there are two "pro-consuls" attracting, at the present time, the keen attention of the world. These two are Attorney-General Bowser and General Botha, of South Africa. It will be noticed that they are not only both "pro-consuls" but also generals, one in the present so-called legal department of the Victoria Government and the other still a general in the army parlance of South Africa. General Botha is premier of South Africa; Attorney-General Bowser, if not premier of British Columbia is at least generalissimo of the Tory party of the province.

Both of these gentlemen happen to be sitting, to adopt the words of Sir Gilbert Parker, in the "seats of the mighty." Both have attained powers of domination more by the luck of circumstances than by any merit of statesmanship, to which neither can have the least pretension.

General Botha was, after all, a mere guerrilla chieftain, and although he gave the British army considerable trouble during the Boer war was defeated at last. He appears, however, to have been possessed of not a little of the Boer diplomacy, or duplicity, so characteristic of his great contemporary, the late lamented Kruger. With that magnanimity so often fatally afforded by the British government, Botha has been given an authority which the English-speaking inhabitants of South Africa do not now appreciate. The outcome is that Botha's government has deported a number of British labor leaders under the pretence that they were a menace to the government of the country. General Botha has been able to exercise this despotic power by his influence with his Boer majority.

Likewise, Attorney-General Bowser, who appears to run the Tory Government at Victoria, has recently endeavored to extend his authority over the long-suffering people of British Columbia. Bowser is not as yet expelling the labor leaders of British Columbia, but he is trying his hardest to suppress public opinion, not only in South Vancouver but throughout the province.

RETRENCHMENT AND DEVELOPMENT

THE council of South Vancouver, the reeve and the councillors for the various wards, have been elected on the sufferance of the electors. They have received the confidence of the voters in expectation of not merely reform in administration, but progress in local development. It is possible that in the demand for retrenchment the necessary needs of progress and development may be neglected. At no time more than the present is required confidence and faith in the future of the municipality. It is not sufficient to remove the furniture and sweep the floor clean. Afterwards, what is going to be done?

In the present reeve of South Vancouver, the electors of South Vancouver have the utmost confidence. The members of the council are men of standing in the municipality; but much is expected of them. They are expected not only to duly consider economy in administration, but to advance the interests of South Vancouver in public work and municipal development.

It cannot be said that the financial state of the municipality is as desperate as it was six months ago. With the sincerest desire to see the present council "make good," to use a popular expression, we only express a widespread feeling when we suggest that development is not inconsistent with retrenchment.

BY THE WAY

THE PRESENT COUNCIL has inherited from the late council a legacy of legal troubles which are by no means appreciated. "More lawyers' letters," sadly commented Reeve Dickie at the first evening session of the council when the communications were being read.

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SEVERAL LADIES were present at the first evening session of the council and appeared to take a keen interest in the deliberations of the members. Miss Johnston, a ratepayer of Burnaby was wont to attend nearly every council meeting at Edmonds, but curiously enough was not in favor of women's suffrage.

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COUNCILLOR GOLD, as chairman of the finance committee, has been spending his days and nights lately in unravelling the financial problems of the municipality. Uneasy lies the head that wears a crown of gold.

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"JIMMIE," SAID a mother in South Vancouver to her only son and heir, "I hope you do not read those wicked dime novels." "Not me," replied the wise youngster, "I know where to get worse ones for a nickel."

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THE PROPOSAL of Mr. H. B. A. Vogel that boating clubs be formed in South Vancouver, Point Grey, Richmond and Burnaby is deserving of support. It might be suggested that the members of the various councils might compete for a trophy on the North Arm of the Fraser during the coming summer months. By that time no doubt the pressure of work at the hall will not be so great. At the same time the opportunity would be afforded of comparing notes on the development of the North Arm Harbor scheme.

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COUNCILLOR THOMAS is the father of the present South Vancouver Council. He knows the Alpha and Omega of all things municipal, past and present.

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'TIS WHISPERED in governmental circles at Victoria that Mr. Carter-Cotton, the silent member for Richmond constituency is becoming uneasy about the recent Liberal doings and saying in South Vancouver. For the first time in many months, if not years, he opened his mouth in parliament, but said nothing—of any consequence to his constituents.

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MR. H. H. STEVENS, M.P., denies the rumor that he has been offered the High Commissionership for Canada in England. Much as he would like to see dear old Bristol again, his time is too much taken up with reading the evidence in recent trials anent Kitsilano reserve and other deals of that kind, don't you know.

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COUNCILLOR GOLD is not afraid of writs. Let them all come, says he, and smiles a tolerant smile.

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REEVE DICKIE is a model chairman, concise, considerate and yet decisive. He will not dicker, at any rate, over trifles.

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IT WAS REFRESHING to find that considerable attention was devoted to the lady's claim for damages for injury while crossing Main Street, the communication being read at the first evening session of the council. Without expressing any opinion as to the justice of the claim, it cannot be denied that some of the crossings in South Vancouver are now in bad shape.

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"ME, HIGH COMMISSIONER for Canada in England—why I haven't been offered the job yet," said Sir Richard McBride. "Me, chief of police in South Vancouver—not on your life," said Mr. Robert McBride.

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SOME PEOPLE are trying to get loans from South Vancouver's Sinking Funds. Some other poor people are vainly looking for some means to prevent their own private funds from sinking.

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IT HAS BEEN suggested that 7 o'clock is too early to commence the evening sessions of the council. It hardly allows sufficient time for some people to get home from the city, have their supper and then attend the meetings so early. You see some people are anxious not to lose a minute of the council's weighty deliberations.

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SOME YEARS AGO this conundrum about two famous British authors went the rounds of press and parlor: "Why was Rider Haggard? Because he couldn't Marie Correlli." The latest variation is now said to be—"Why was Mayor Baxter vexed? Because he couldn't Marie Lloyd."

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OUR SATURDAY SHORT STORY

The Adventure of the "Mona Lisa"

By Carolyn Wells

In their rooms on Fakir Street the members of the International Society of Infallible Detectives were holding a special meeting.

"If any one of you," said President Sherlock Holmes, speaking from the chair, "has any suggestions to offer —"

"My dear Holmes," interrupted Arsene Lupin, "we don't offer or accept suggestion any more than you do."

"No," agreed the Thinking Machine; "we merely observe the clues, deduce the truth, and announce the criminal."

"What are the clues?" inquired M. Lecocq of the company at large.

Raffles looked gravely at the old gentleman, and then smiled.

"The clues," he said, "are the frame thrown down a back staircase, the wall vacancy in the Louvre, and the nails on which the picture hung."

"Is the wall vacancy just the size of the 'Mona Lisa?'" asked M. Dupin.

"That cannot be ascertained, since the picture is not available to measure by," returned Raffles. "But the 'Mona Lisa' is gone, and there is no other unexplained wall vacancy."

"The evidence seems to me inconclusive," murmured M. Dupin. "Is there not a law concerning the corpus delicti?"

"That's neither here nor there," interrupted Arsene Lupin, and Raffles wittily observed, "Neither is the picture."

Sherlock Holmes passed his white hand wearily across his brow.

"This meeting must come to order," he said. "Now, gentlemen, you have heard a description of the clues—the discarded frame, the vacant space, the empty nails. From these I deduce that the thief is five feet, ten inches tall, and weighs 160 pounds. He has dark hair and one gold tooth. He is fairly healthy, but he has a second cousin who was subject to croup as a child."

"Marvelous, Holmes! Marvelous!" exclaimed Dr. Watson, clasping his hands in ecstasy. "He is already the same as behind bars."

"I don't agree with you, Holmes," declared Arsene Lupin. "It is clearly evident to me that the thief was a blond, rather short and thick-set, and looked like his great-aunt on his mother's side."

Holmes looked thoughtful. "I can't think it, Lupin," he said at last; "and if you'll go over the clues again carefully, you'll perceive your fallacious inference."

"Munsterberg says," began Luther Trant; but President Holmes cut him off, and said, with his saturnine smile, "Gentlemen, we must get to work scientifically on this problem. Unless we find the stolen picture, and convict the thief, we are not worthy of our professional fame. Now, how much time do you think we should take to accomplish our purpose?"

"I could find the old daub in a week," said M. Dupin; "you only have to reason this way. If—"

"There now, there now," said the Thinking Machine, querulously, "who wants to hear another man's advice? Let us all go to work independently of one another. A week will be more than enough time for me to produce both picture and thief."

"A week, bah!" scoffed Raffles. "I can accumulate the missing canvas and the missing miscreant in three days' time. I'm sure of it."

President Holmes kept on with his saturnine smile, and said, "Arsene, how much time do you require for the job?"

"Two days and carfare," replied Arsene Lupin. "And you yourself, Holmes?"

The smile of Sherlock Holmes became a little saturniner as he returned quietly, "I already know where it is; I've only to go and get it."

"That isn't fair," broke in Luther Trant, cutting short Dr. Watson's appreciative remark.

"Perfectly fair," declared Holmes; "I've had no more advantage than the rest of you. We've all heard a list of the clues; I've deduced the solution of the mystery. If you other fellows haven't, it's because you're blind to the obvious."

"Always distrust the obvious," began M. Dupin, didactically.

President Holmes paid his usual lack of attention to this speech, and went on:

"There's no use of further conversation. We're not a lot of consulting amateurs. We're each famous, unique, and infallible. Let us go our various ways, work by our various methods, and see who can find the picture first. Let us meet here one week from tonight, and whoever brings with him the 'Mona Lisa' will receive the congratulations of the rest of us, and incidentally the offered reward."

"Marvelous, Holmes! Marvelous!" cried Dr. Watson before any one else could speak.

But there wasn't much to be said. Famous detectives are ever taciturn, silent, and thoughtful, but looking as if the universe is to them an open primer.

After saying good night in their various fashions, the detectives went away to detect, and Sherlock Holmes got out his violin and played "Her Bright Smile Haunts Me Still."

A week slowly disengaged itself from the future and transferred its attachment to the past. Again the rooms in Fakir Street were cleared up nice and tidy for the meeting. Eight o'clock was the hour appointed, but no one came.

"Hah!" muttered Holmes, "they have all failed, and they dare not come and admit it. I alone have succeeded in the quest, I alone have the priceless 'Joconde' safe in my possession."

"Mary—" began Dr. Watson; but even as he spoke the door opened, and M. Dupin entered, with a large canvas under his arm. The picture was wrapped in an old shawl, but from its size and from the size of the smile on Dupin's face, even Watson deduced that the canvas was the one at which Leonardo had slung paint for four years.

"But, yes," said M. Dupin, carelessly, "I have it. Only I will wait for the others, that I may display my prize amid greater applause than I expect from you, M. Holmes."

Holme's smile was only slightly saturnine, but before he could make a caustic reply, Lecocq came in, bearing a large roll carefully wrapped in paper. He beamed genially, and then catching sight of the shawled object leaning against the wall, he frowned.

"What have you there?" he cried. "Is it perhaps the gilded frame for the picture I bring?"

Goaded beyond endurance by these scathing words, Dupin sprang to the shawl and tore it off.

"Behold the 'Mona Lisa'! Found! Oh, the glory of it!"

"Ha!" cried Lecocq, and unrolling his roll, he, too, showed the original, the indisputably genuine Leonardo da Vinci master-piece!

Holmes looked at the twin pictures with interest.

"They are doubtless the real thing," he declared—"both of them. There is no question of the genuineness of either. It must be that Da Vinci painted the lady twice."

"Marvelous, Holmes! Marvelous!" chanted Watson.

But the two Frenchmen were not willing to accept Holme's statement. They were volubly quarreling in their own picturesque tongue, and the purport of their excellent French was that each believed his own find to be the real picture and the other a copy.

Into this controversy shambled the queer old figure of the Thinking Machine.

"Squabble if you like," he shrilled at them. "It doesn't matter which wins, for I have the real 'Mona Lisa' at home. I wouldn't risk bringing it here. Both of yours are copies, and poor ones at that."

Just then appeared Luther Trant, followed by three messenger-boys. Each bore a picture of the "Mona Lisa," which he set down beside the ones already there.

"One of these is the real one," declared Trant. "I hadn't time to decide which, and my seismospygmatograph is broken. But I'll find that out later. Anyway, it's one of the three, and I've found it."

Into the hubbub caused by this announcement Raffles bounded, his face shining with hilarity.

"I've got it!" he cried, and his followers entered.

There were five messenger-boys, whose burden aggregated eight "Mona Lisas"; three sandwich-men wore two "Jocondes" each; and two washerwomen brought a clothes-basket containing four.

"These are all vouched for by experts," declared Raffles, "so one of 'em must be the real thing."

"Oh," said Arsene Lupin, sauntering in, "do you think so? Well, I have a dray below, piled up with 'Mona Lisas,' for each of which I have a signed guaranty by the best experts."

Sherlock Holmes stood looking on, his smile growing saturniner and saturniner.

"Now, gentlemen," he said, in his most cold-chisel tones—"Now, gentlemen, will you please step into the next room?"

They stepped, but delicately, like Agag, for the floor was knee-deep in "Mona Lisas," and as they entered the next room, behold, it was like stepping into a multiscope; for the four walls were lined—lined, mind you—every single one—bore indisputable, indubitable, impeccable, incontrovertible evidence of being the real Simon Pure article.

Quite aside from the chagrin of the detectives at knowing Holmes had outnumbered them, conceive of the delight of being able to gaze on "mona Lisas" at once! Remember the thrills that thrilled you when you stood in the Louvre and looked upon just one masterpiece of the great painter, then imagine those thrills multiplied until it was like fever and ague! It was indeed a great psychological moment.

"Are they all genuine?" at last whispered M. Dupin, while Raffles began to compute their collective value to collectors.

"All guaranteed by experts," declared Holmes; and just then the telephone sounded.

"Mr. Holmes?" said the chief of police.

"Yes," replied Sherlock, saturninely.

"I have to inform you, Mr. Holmes, that we have the 'Mona Lisa.' The thief, who is a paramaranoiac, has returned it to us, and confessed his crime. He is truly penitent, and though he must be punished, there will doubtless be found extenuating circumstances in his full confession and his return of the picture unharmed. I'm sure you will rejoice with us at the restoration of our treasure."

"Huh!" said Holmes, a little more saturninely than usual, as he hung up the receiver, "when a picture has been restored as often and as poorly as that has, one restoration more or less doesn't matter. Now, gentlemen, you will please begin to give me a successful imitation of a moving-picture show."

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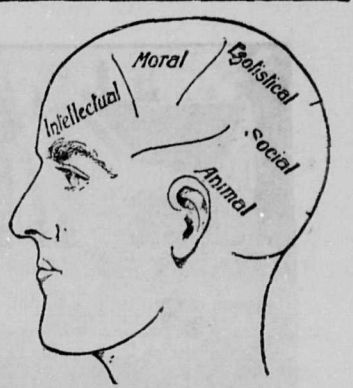

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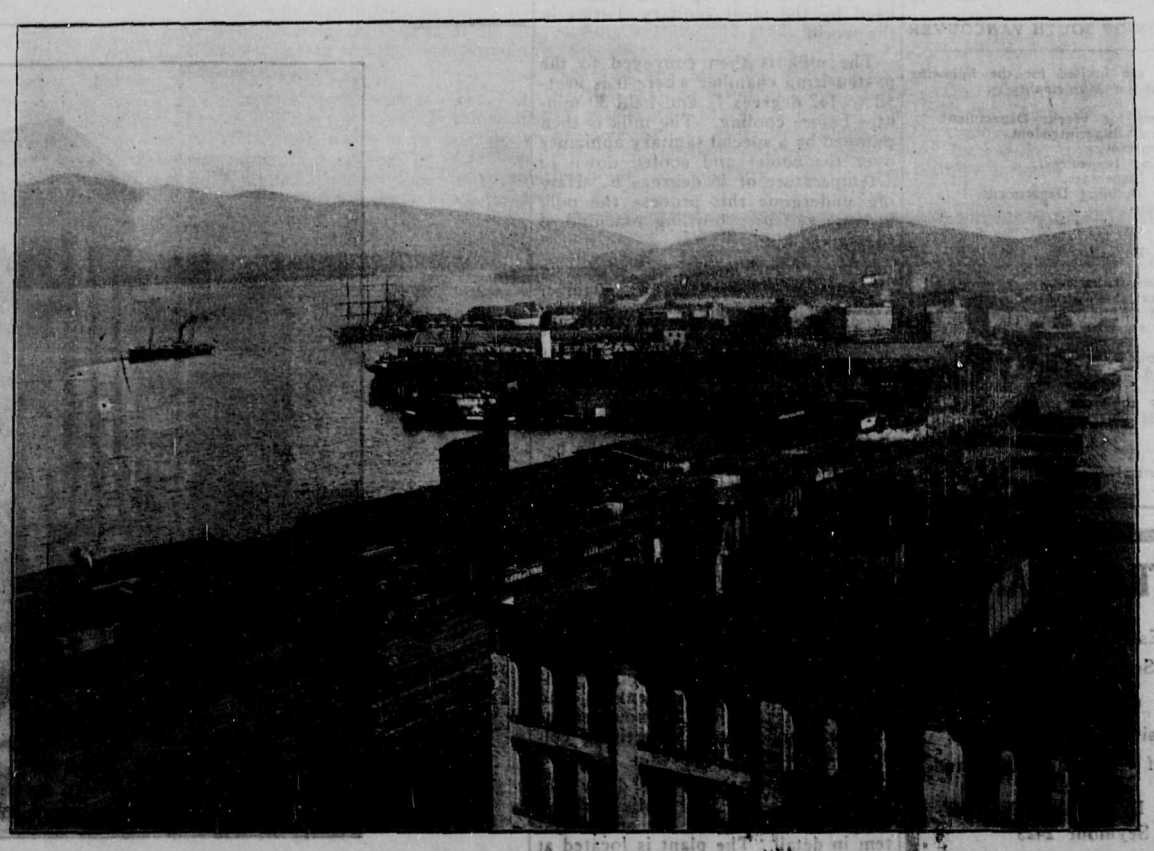

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NOTES OF INTEREST TO THE LADY OF THE HOUSE

Spring Millinery

It seems a little early to begin to talk about spring millinery, but it is a subject that has sent many buyers across the water within the last few weeks, and they are busy studying Parisian styles and planning for the trade for the coming season. The reports which come at this time indicate an extensive use of ribbon and moire, and faille promise to be among the favorites, although some predict that the extensive popularity which the former has enjoyed for the last year cannot continue much longer. New models show a touch of flowers combined with the ribbon. The increasing favor which is shown for taffeta silk is reflected in the ribbons and one may look for this style to be used extensively. Maline, which came so strongly into favor last fall, is promised to be a favorite again and combinations of straw with other trimming, such as ribbon on velvet, may be looked for as one of the strong features of the spring styles.

Height appears to be the new note in millinery. Trimmings are placed upright and shapes are small, on the order of toques, but most of them stand higher than we have been accustomed to seeing in the styles for several seasons. One style which promises to be fashionable is the small tricorne shape, flaring on one side and having graceful dents in the very high upturned brims.

There is some talk that the minaret effects or wired, upstanding ruffles of lace or ribbon, which came into prominence last year after the appearance of the skirt of the same name, will be in vogue for another season.

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Pocket Inside Muff

Starting out on a shopping expedition ,one woman said to her friend, "Aren't you going to carry your handbag?" "No, replied the other, "I have made a bag in my muff, and it is much more convenient than carrying an extra one this cold weather and the muff answers the purpose of both muff and bag."

She handed the muff to her companion for inspection. It it were two bags or pockets. The first was large, being about two thirds the size of one side of the muff and in this were slipped small packages, letters or anything of the kind that it was necessary to carry, and a large button securely fastened the lap which prevented anything from slipping out.

On the outside of this large pocket was a small one for holding a little pocket book and keys. This was also fastened with a large button and buttonhole, so that the contents of the pocket were secure and this saved the carrying of a handbag, which was a great convenience and enabled the owner of the muff to keep both hands protected.

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Buttons are Rich

The buttons are important items in the making of a waistcoat, for they may rtansform the most commonplace garment into a lovely one. Women who spare no expense in getting effects in their clothes are displaying the jewelled buttons—in rare cases inset with genuine stones, though generally of the semi-precious variety—others are eagerly seeking the old paste button, worn by the gentry of the past, and the hand-painted buttons sometimes the work of artists who left lasting reputations to posterity. Fur buttons have also been adopted, and the effect is decidedly good when the fur matches the collarette or trimming of the costume.

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Kitchen Rubber Mat

A strip of rubber matting such as is seen on the gangplank of a steamer is excellent to save the tracking of delivery boys in the kitchen, or the wearing of the floor in front of the sink, where the housekeeper must often stand.

Its softness lessons the noise, and it can be carried out and easily washed with the garden hose. The edges are self-finished and neat, and it is much less objectionable than the faded rugs which are often spread out for the purpose of protecting the floor.

GRAND STAND VIEWS IN SPORTING ARENA

(Secretaries of Athletic Clubs and those interested in local sport are invited to send reports or items of news of any indoor or outdoor games to the "Chinook" Office, South Vancouver.)

The bad state of the ground last Saturday prevented any good display of soccer and it was decided to classify the game in the first round of the Charity Cup series between Riverview and Longshoremen as an "exhibition match." The game which took place at Wilson Park was not a fair test for either side, good combination being somewhat lacking. The Lognshoremen who scored two goals to one were a heavier bunch than their opponents, but it cannot be said that the score was a fair indication of the respective merits of the teams.

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Soccer football, however, is rapidly gaining favor in both British Columbia and across the line, there being now some good exponents of the game in the State of Washington, especially in the Seattle district. It is likely that before the season is over, some matches will be arranged between the American clubs and the Vancouver and Victoria teams.

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There will be many changes in the catching staffs of every Northwestern baseball league team for the approaching season. In the Vancouver bunch, Cheek, who was secured from Sacramento, Lems and Grindle will take a lot of beating. President Bob Brown, of the Vancouver Baseball Club, has signed another recruit in Tom Daly, a pitcher formerly with Spokane and said to be a top-notcher.

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On March 2 about two hundred curlers and followers of the game will arrive in Vancouver from different parts of Western Canada to take part in the city's third annual bonspiel. The Vancouver Curling Club are busy making arrangements for a heavy list of entries and invitations have been sent to all the principal curling clubs in the Dominion and the United States. It is expected that South Vancouver will be represented by several rinks.

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The coast professional and amateur lacross clubs are busy preparing for the coming season. The B. C. L. A. is to be reorganized and the annual meeting will be held early in March. The V. A. C., who will be known hereafter as the Athletics of Vancouver, are getting together a strong aggregation and the New Westminsters are seeking new blood. On February 19 the V. A. C. Mann Cup holders will have their annual dinner when the plans for the season will be outlined. There will be three teams in the running for the amateur championship, namely, Vancouver, Victoria and New Westminster, and the Pacific Coast A. L. A., are planning for a great season of lacrosse.

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President Brown, of the Beavers, has received a letter from Charley Arbogast, catcher of the Vancouver pennant winners in 1908, who wants to come back to Vancouver this year. He is now in Los Angeles and Bob Brown has written him offering terms so that it is extremely likely that Charley will again don the colors of Vancouver. Hunky Shaw is another likely recruit. He was released by Seattle last fall. Shaw played in 141 games for Seattle last year and batted .257. Pitcher Harstand, the Tacoma youngster sent along his signed contract a few days ago. He is considered one of the best men the club has ever secured.

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Not So Far

"So you want to marry my daughter," said Mr. Cumrox.

"Yes," replied the young man, "I hope to hear you say take her and be happy!"

"No, sir. I'm not going to shoulder any implied responsibilities. All I am going to say is, 'take her.'"

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His Mistake

"There have been times in my like," said he, gloomily, "when I was tempted to commit suicide."

"Oh, well," she said, "it's no use to grieve over the past. We can all look back and see where we've made mistakes."

Significant

Wife—It must be a very small flat that the Smythes have taken.

Husband—Why?

Wife—Because I saw Mrs. Smythe this morning buying a folding toothbrush.

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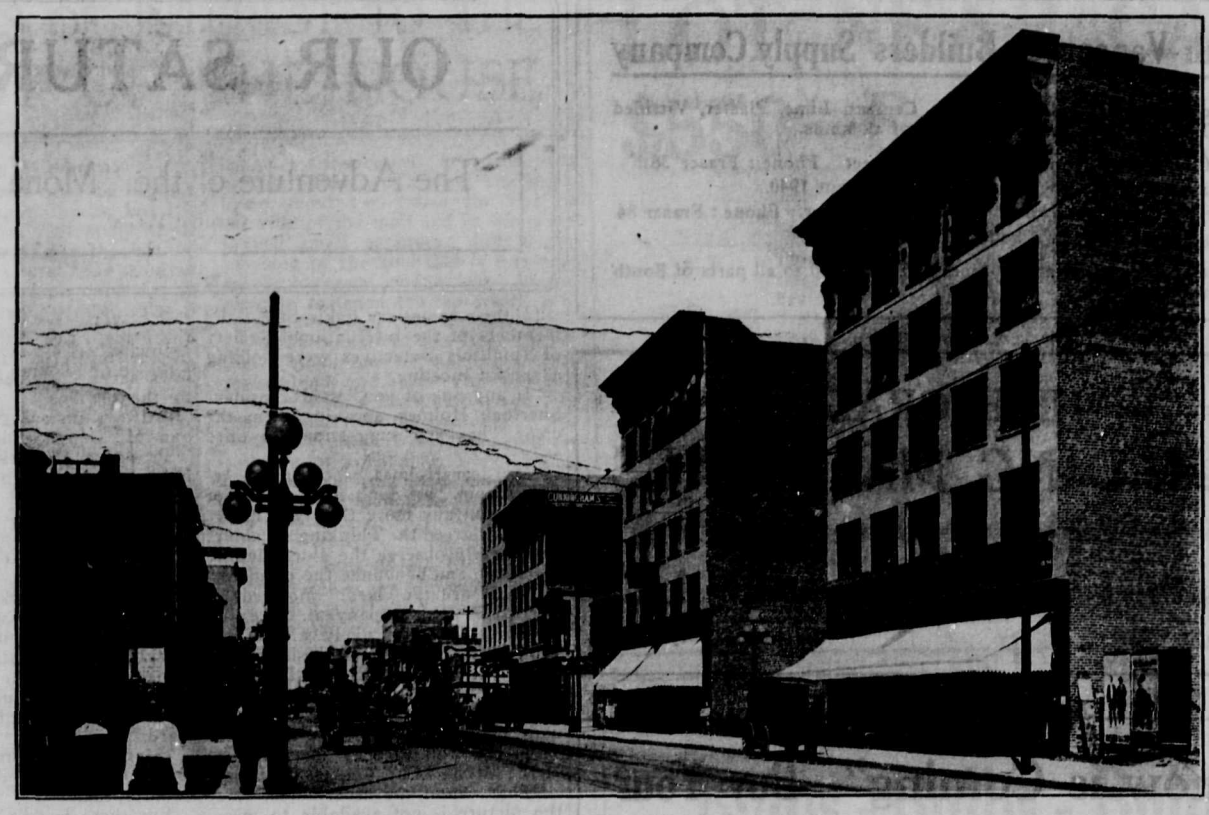
Not Sufficient

Applicant for position—I have here a letter of recommendation from my minister.

Head of firm—That's very good so far as it goes, but we won't need your services on Sundays. Have you any reference from anybody who knows you the other six days of the week?



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As the question of pure milk is a matter of special interest in South Vancouver at the present time, a representative of the "Chinook" paid a visit this week to Turner's Dairy, which does a large and growing business in the district.

There can be no question that the sanitary conditions of a dairy are of the first importance in the handling of so necessary an article of drink as is milk in every household. Dairies, of course, differ in their methods, but probably the majority of people who use milk for one purpose or another are not fully aware of the strict and exhaustive measures taken by a model dairy, such as Turner's, to secure absolute purity of milk.

In the first place, all bottles are placed in a tank containing a solution of lye and soda. They are then put in another tank of clean boiling water in which the bottles are thoroughly sterilized with live steam, inside and out, the bottles being fed in by high-pressure hydraulic power.

With regard to the cans, before they are sent to the farm to be filled with milk, they are first rinsed out with cold water, then put into a solution of hot lye and soda and washed thoroughly inside and out. They are then placed in storage and sterilized prior to their despatch to the farm.

When the milk is received from the farm it is immediately tested for flavor, a sample being taken from each can. All the milk reseived by Turner's Dairy is guaranteed to be obtained from tuberculin-tested cows.

These cans are then placed in covered receiving tanks and the milk is conveyed to the clarifier, by which process all possible sediment in the milk is removed. This clarifier is the latest and most approved machine used by the most sanitary dairies in the world.

The milk is then conveyed to the pasteurizing chamber where it is heated to 142 degrees F. and held 30 minutes before cooling. The milk is then pumped by a special sanitary appliance over the cooler and cooled down to a temperature of 36 degrees F. Having undergone this process the milk is conveyed to a bottling machine of the latest kind.

All cans and bottles are placed in an ammonia cold storage chamber which is maintained in the highest sanitary condition. The floors of the dairy are cement and the walls are painted white. All piping is of nickel, and all the plant and fittings of the establishment are cleaned and sterilized daily. In fact ,the whole dairy is conducted in accordance with the by-laws of the Vancouver Health Department.

It is only necessary to add that the milk supplied by Turner's Dairy undergoes a process that has received the approval of the Milk Commission held under the auspices of the Vancouver Medical Association. It might be further added that the milk is obtained from the best known farms in Chilliwack which are conducted on the latest scientific and sanitary lines. Their announcement can be found in our advertising columns from week to week.

The management of the dairy will be glad to show the public through the plant, and explain the entire system in detail. The plant is located at the corner of 17th and Ontario streets.

Scene on the farm of C. E. Carter, Chilliwack Valley, showing one of the fine herds from which Turner's Dairy secure milk for their customers in South Vancouver

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State experience and salary required.

Sealed applications addressed to the undersigned, marked "Applications for (state position)" will be received up to noon February 14th, 1914.

Form of application can be received from the undersigned.

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A WONDERFUL OPERATION

What is considered one of the most wonderful operations ever performed in the Vancouver General Hospital may be of interest to readers as it concerns a resident of South Vancouver. The circumstances are as follows :

About two months ago Albert Hoskins, South Vancouver, came to the General Hospital to have his left leg amputated. Eleven years ago, when he was as many years of age, he met with an unfortunate accident while at school. Along with his companions he was playing about the school doorstep when a heavy stone, which had been placed against the door, was rolled over the doorstep and struck him on the left knee, breaking the leg a little below the patella.

Indifferent work on the part of a local doctor is stated to have resulted in the stiffening of the joint, and the lad was unable to put his foot to the ground when the healing was completed. For eleven years he has moved about with a crutch, his leg being always in a right angle posture when so doing.

When he came to the hospital to have the member amputated below the knee so that he could secure locomotion with a wooden leg, the physicians made a careful examination of the injured member. Before they would amputate they decided to make a strong effort to save the leg, and the result was that the cleverest operation since the inception of the institution was accomplished.

Mrs. McCartney and Weld are credited with the feat. The patella was removed and the ends of the larger and smaller sawed off and bone matter inserted. In this way a new joint was improvised about an inch and a half below the natural joint. For several days the patient lay with the leg in plaster while the physicians watched developments with great interest and care. The leg healed up nicely and the problem of obtaining flexibility for the joint then confronted them. That the leg was at least straightened and was approximately the same length as the other was in itself a great accomplishment, but whether the joint would be in evidence or not was a different matter.

Aided by crutches the young man placed his feet on the floor and found at first that he could not bend the new joint, but the physicians saw that their work had been most successful. They worked with the leg each day, giving it more and more joint. The patient was instructed to walk about for a few minutes each day, and the joint became more and more flexible. The result is that Hoskins walks without crutch or wooden leg, and if one was not advised of the circumstances one would never think that he was ever a prospective cripple for life.

He left the hospital recently and returned to his home in South Vancouver. Naturally his gratitude to his physicians cannot be expressed in words, and he was exceedingly willing when interviewed by the writer that the public should know of his curious experience and wonderful operation.

The above case is but one of thousands of operations performed at the hospital, as there are eleven operations on the average performed daily.

FACTS YARNS TALES THIS IS AN OLD ONE BUT-

Scandalous

A young lady visiting her aunt in the country came in late one afternoon. "Where in the world have you been?" asked her aunt. "In the hammock all the afternoon," she replied, "with my beloved Robert Browning." The aunt eyed her sternly. Then she said : "If I hear of any more such scandalous proceedings I shall certainly write to your mother."

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Washing His Trousseau

Mrs. Flannigan : "An' do it be true what I hear that your son Mike is engaged to be married?"

Mrs. O'Flaherty : "It do be that, and mighty soon, too."

Mrs. Flannigan : "An' where be the boy, now?"

Mrs. O'Flaherty : "Sure he be in bed, waitin' for me to wash his trousseau."

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Concerning a "Profit"

Curate (engaged on a theological discussion with his landlady)—"And what do you think of the character of St. Paul?"

Landlady—"Ah, he was a good soul! Do you remember how he once said we should eat what is set before us and ask no questions for conscience's sake? I've ofter thought how I would have liked 'im for a lodger."

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Home Hints

Here are two sure ways to find a collar button that has dropped on the floor and rolled away where you can't see it :

Rule 1—Walk around the room in your bare feet. You will soon find the collar imbeddied in your heel.

Rule 2—Put on a pair of heavy boots and walk around the room. You will soon step on the collar button and smash it flat.

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Defined Again

Little Willie—"What is a lawyer, pa?"

Pa—""A lawyer, my son, is a man who induces two other men to strip for a fight, and then runs off with their clothes."

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No Use for Pocket

Lucas, after paying for several drinks:—"I say, McMalster, you've been used to wearing kilts, haven't you?" McMalster :

"Hey, mon, rather!" Lucas—"Thought so. I haven't noticed you put your hand in your pocket lately!"

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Steadiness Personified

Mike Reagan applied to Mrs. Stone for position as chauffeur, and gave the name of a friend as reference.

Mrs. Stone sought the friend and asked :

"Mr. Brady, your neighbor, Michael Reagan, has applied to me for a place as chauffeur. Is he a steady man?"

"Steady!" cried Brady. "Indade mum! If he wuz anny steadier he'd be dead."

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Love and Soup

Mrs. A.—Men are so queer after the honeymoon. If you tell them your love is growing cold they don't even glance up from their newspapers.

Mrs. X.—No, but tell them the soup is growing cold and they jump about ten feet."

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Repair Work Pays

Repair work has cost me more than the original machine," stormed the physician.

Repair work does pay better," said the automobile man. "You find it so in your business, don't you?"

And the doctor finally admitted that he did.

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Think of the Charge

A provincial municipal candidate was praising the gas department, and hoping to please the electors with a little humor; he said his policy was "Honor the Light Brigade." "Yes," came the voice of an indignant consumer, "but think of the charge they made!"

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Hay Sense

"Had an interview with a farmer just now," said the poet, "which gave me quite a shock."

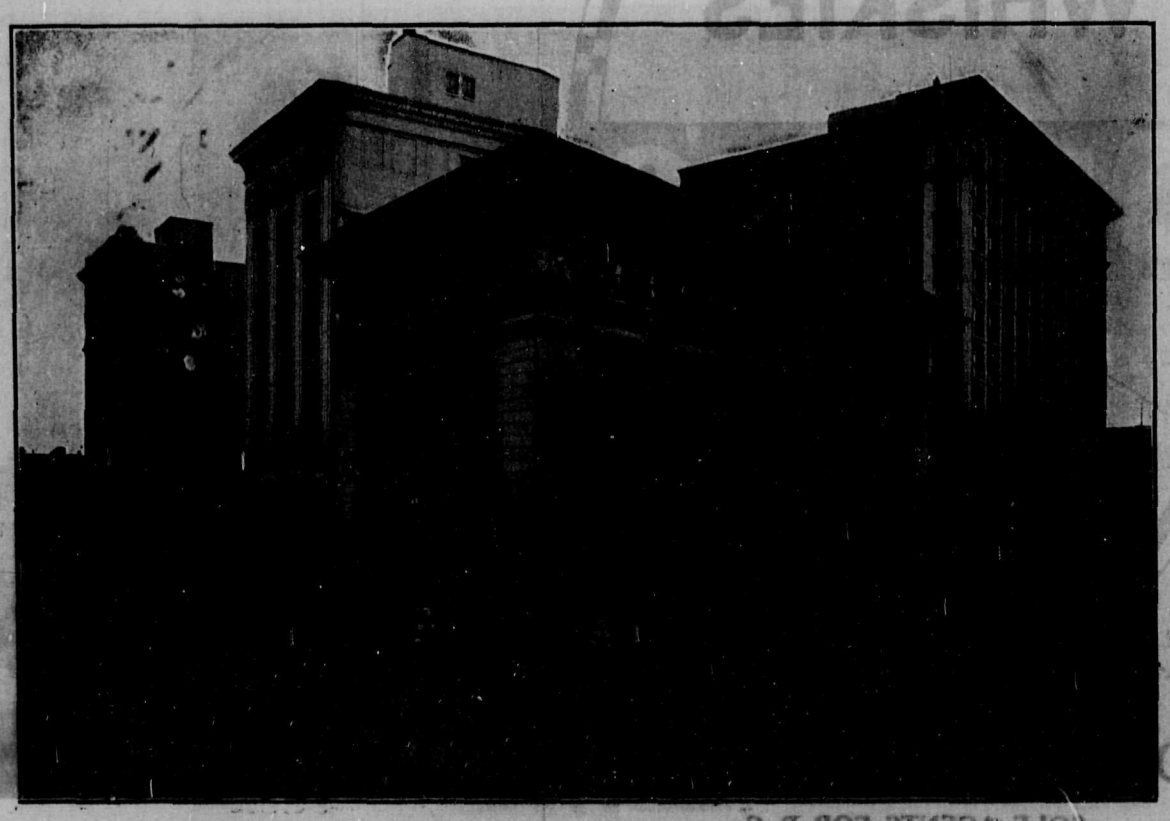
"How was that?"

"He told me that new-mown hay had no points of superiority over hay a year old."

Proposed Boating Clubs

It has been suggested by Mr. H. B. A. Vogel, secretary of the North Fraser Harbor Commission, that considering the advantages of the North Arm of the Fraser for the purpose, that it would be a good plan to form a local boating club.

Speaking to a representative of the "Chinook," Mr. Vogel stated that the idea had been favorably considered by several local people to whom the subject had been broached. He suggests that boating clubs be formed in South Vancouver, Point Grey, Richmond and Burnaby and that rowing competitions be arranged during the summer months between the different clubs. Anyone interested in the project can communicate with Mr. H. B. A. Vogel, River Road, South Vancouver.



Bank of Commerce, with which South Vancouver is negotiating a loan