THE LADYSMITH CHRONICLE

With Which Is Amalgamated the Ladysmith Standard.

VOL. I. Ladysmith, B. C., Saturday, January 2, 1909. No. 40.

Princess Charlotte Reaches Victoria

The steamer Princess Charlotte arrived at Victoria Wednesday marning from the yards of the builders at Govan, Scotland, and her arrival marked an epoch in the history of the local shipping trade, says the Colonist. With the plate-glass windows of her observation room boarded with a barricade, her open side astern at the diningroom barricaded, this being removed soon after the steamer reached port, the Princess Charlotte came from the Clyde in 59 days, running at an economic speed of 13 knots. Calls were made at Teneriffe, Montevideo, Coronal and Callao for coal. The voyage was not marked by much incident. Two strong gales were encountered, one when nearing Montevideo, the other when passing into the Pacific from the Strait of Magellan, and in these, one attended by choppy confused seas, the other by long Cape Horn seas, the steamer proved her excellent sea-going qualities. The barricading was not needed. No seas came on board. The liner rode like a duck.

The Princess Charlotte differs much in appearance from the Princess Victoria. She suggests the Islander, looked at by the bow. She is superior to the fine Princess Victoria, which after being the peer of interport passenger steamers in the Pacific for five years must now give way to her younger and better-dowered sister. The reciprocating engines are of similar type, but give higher speed, the accommodations are improvements on the excellent arrangements provided on the steamer now in use, and there is a general suggestion of solidity, of substantial build. The lines are good. As one enthusiastic shipping man tersely puts it: "She's a steamship; yes, she's a liner." That described the Princess Charlotte thoroughly. The bow is very sharp, and the stern suggests that of a magnificent torpedo boat with the curved sternpost which overhangs a balanced rudder of the latest type.

These are many particulars in which the new Princess differs from her older sister, the Princess Victoria The extra housework, extra length and beam and additional accommodations, the greater stretch of promenade deck, wide and free, are some of the differences. The bridge, a solid-looking teakwood affair, is a great change from the light open rails of the flying bridge af the Princess Victoria. Fronting the pilothouse is a very powerful searchlight, and this, and all the navigation appliances are of the latest improved type. The manner in which she answers her helm has provoked the admiration of all who have handled the steamre. Capt. Troop, her master on che voyage, Capt. J. W. Troup, who brought her from the outer wharf, and Capt. Buckman, the pilot, were loud in their praise of the manner in which the ship handled. On her trials when the steamer developed 21 knots an hour without difficulty in neutral water and with a weight of 700 tons in her, it was demonstrated that the vessel could turn completely in a minute and a half.

The description of the interior accommodation of the steamer conveys but a faint idea of the substantial manner in which the C. P. R. has prepared for patrons. The dining saloon, thoroughly furnished, seats 140 people, the observation room, smokingroom and cabins are fitted elaborately, even electric heaters being placed in the cabins-de-luxe, which are furnished with four post brass beds and excellent furniture, with bathroom adjoining. The barber's shop is spacious, and has adjoining a bootblack stand; in fact, every arrangement that can be suggested for the comfort of the traveller is apparent. A feature of the Princess Charlotte is the second cabin saloon placed in the forward part of the passenger deck below the observation room, where the Asiatic and Indian travellers will be accommkdated. The equipment, furnishing and general excellence of the new steamer must be seen, however, to be appreciated.

Leaving Glasgow on November 2nd at 8 a. m., the start of the long voyage to Victoria was marked with dirty weather, and fresh breezes were experienced after the channel was cleard next day, general eough seas being encountered to Tennerffe, which port was reached on November 7. After loading coal in the Azores the steamer had good weather until when nearing Montevideo, a strong gale was encountered. This was the first experience with the steamer in a heavy sea and the manner in which she acted aroused enthusiasm on board. At Montevideo 798 tons of coal was taken on board and two days after arrival the steamer resumed her voyage on to the Straits of Magellan, where the steamer anchored for the night at Puntas Arenas. At daylight on November 30 she started through the straits, having clear but cold weather. Leaving the straits to enter the Pacific at 3 a.m. on December 1 a strong gale with long Cape Horn seas was met. The wind blew strong from the southwest, shifting to the northwest, and the steamer labored in a heavy sea; but she acted excellently, proving herself a thorough ocean-going vessel. No water came on board. The gale lasted 24 hours and from that time no furthee incidents marked the voyage until Coronel was reached on December 5.

After taking 400 tons of coal the Princess started on December 6 at 2:30 p. m. for Callao, and had fine weather until arrival at Callao on December 11. There delay was encountered in coaling. Fuel had to be taken on board in the roadstead from lighters and a heavy sea rolling in made the work difficult. About 400 tons was loaded and the steamer proceeded on December 14. From the Peruvian port good weather obtained until Victoria was reached, though from the 26th heavy confused seas, the legacy of the recent gales, were encountered, principally from the northwest and westward. On Sunday afternoon the vessel ran in close to Point Reyes, where she signalled and when north of Cape Blanco the steamer Manning wae sighted. Cape Flattery was reached on Tuesday night and the vessel anchored at William Head until daylight Wednesday.

MUNICIPAL CONTEST.

Contrary to general expectations there will be a contest for the mayoralty, and possibly for the aldermanic board. Mr. Walter Miles will oppose the present mayor, Mr. D. Nicholson, and it is understood that several well-known citizens will offer themselves for aldermen.

School Board Meeting

The regular meeting of the school board was held in Mr. John Stewart's office on Thursday evening.

The minutes of the former meeting were read and approved.

Miss E. Cameron, of Chemainus Landing was appointed to the position on the teaching staff made vacant by the resignation of Miss Beveridge.

It was decided to advertise for tenders for wood.

Reports were received for the past month from the teachers, and were found to be satisfactory.

The salaries of the teachers and other small bills were passed.

Local and Provincial News Notes

The roller rink will be open in future from 9:30 to 12 in the forenoon, from 2 until 4:30 p. m., from 7 until 9:30 p. mi

AtSouth Oyster, on Wednesday last Miss West, a school-teacher, was married to Mr. Joseph Mottishaw, who is well known in Ladysmith.

The male choir will meet at John Thomas' store Monday evening at 8 o'clock to consider the advisability of again starting up the Male Voice Choir.

The Burns concert and dance at the opera house last evening was well attended. There were speech-making, singing and dancing and Mrs. John Ross provided an excellent supper.

There were two good football matches in Nanaimo yesterday. Victoria West defeated Nanaimo 2nd division 3 to 1, and the Nanaimo juniors defeated the North Ward Victoria team 2 to 0.

Ladysmith was visited with its first fall of snow for the year yesterday afternoon. It was particularly welcome to the small boy, who got out with a sleigh and enjoyed himself coasting down the big hills.

In the din and noise caused by the celebration of the advent of the New Year a horse took fright and ran down High street. Fortunately no one was hurt, but the crowd on the streets got out of the way of the runaway animal.

The seeds in the two pumpkins at Mr. R. Gear's store were counted Thursday evening, and it was found thatthe large one contained 456 seeds, and the small one 396 seeds. The first prize was won by Miss Baby, who guessed 456, and the second by Mrs. Giarhee, who guessed 397.

In the report of the council meeting of last Monday night it was suggested that Mayor Nicholson had stated that there would be no municipal contest this year. What Mayor Nicholson really did say was that in the event of there being a cootest for municipal offices it might be deemed advisable to have the voters' lists printed.

The bombardment of the city from which Ladysmith derived its name was mild so far as noise was concerned compared with the tumult with which the new year was ushered in last Thursday night and Friday morning in this city. Shooting off of guns and rockets notified the citizens that a new year was ushered into existence.

Flannels should be washed in warm suds that has a little ammonia added to it. They should be rubbed between the hands, not on a board, and dipped up and down in the suds until they are free from dirt. Squeeze them with the hands until as much water as possible is removed, and rinse them in water of the same temperature as that in which they were washed. Wring out again, hang them in the shade and press them out on the wrong side while they are still damp.

Good Figure Offered for Sewer and Electric Power Debentures

The tenders for the sewer and electric light debentures were opened on December 31. There have been satisfactory tenders presented, and the matter will come up for final decision at the meeting of the council next Monday evening. One tender in particular meets with special favor and the majority of the aldermen seem inclined to accept it by wire. The electric light debentures are for 5 per cent for 25 years, and the sewer debentures at 6 per cent for 25 years.

Church Banquet

There was a large gatheriog at the Methodist church banquet New Years evening, and it was a decided success. The tables looked splendid and an abundance of good tings were provided. The banquet began a few minutes after 5 o'clock andcontinued until 7:30. A feeling of good-fellowship prevailed and with good wishes and handshaking and cheerful conversaeion a pleasant time was spent.

After the banquet Mr. Wm. Ward took the chair. The programme commenced by all the company joining in a well-known hymn.

The chairman in his opening remarks wished all the company happiness and prosperity in the New Year. He then dwelt upon the signs of progress in the community, and said that he praised the mayor and council for what they had accomplished during the year. He was not disposed to find fault, but he thought that something ought to be done in the enforcement of our laws.

He then spoke of the signs of progress in the church and said that he had found by his own experience that more real happiness was to be found in striving after the higher things than could be found in making this world everything. Money and other things were very desirable but not everything.

He said he was glad to see the excellent light in the church. It would be such an improvement and a great help to those who attended the services.

Miss Hutcheson presided at the organ, and Miss E. Croston, M. Wilkinson, Heyes Bros., R. Blakeiy, J. Wilkinson, E. Mulholland, Rev. Jas. McMillan, John Allsopp and the choir rendered pieces.

The new lights installed by Mr. J. J. Thomas were a greatimprovement. and gave general satisfaction.

Schools Open Monday.

The schools will re-open on Monday after their Christmas holidays. The promotion lists will be announced and re-grading accomplished early in the term. The number of pupils going from grade to grade will be smaller than usual, as of course the work of each grade was seriously interfered with during the last term. It is confidently expected that parents will make every reasonable effort to cooperate with the staff in securing such regularity of attendanee during the coming term as will make some compensation for unfortunate irregularity of the last.

The educational facilities of the town will attain to their desired end according to the measure of interest displayed, not only by the teachers, but also by the parents as the sincere co-operation of both is essential to the welfare of the school.

There were 358 pupils in attendance in December but ie is expected that an increase of nearly 100 will be recorded for January.

An Island of Strange Things

St. John's, Jan. 1.—The legislature has been called to meet on February 4, but it is uncertain whether the prime minister will meet the house. If there is no change of alignment in the personnel of the members in case the house meets, there is pretty certain to be an election in the spring.

"Withal that is the world's tenth largest island, there is, perhaps, no one little body of land in the world that offers so many unique points of interest to the traveler as does Newfoundland," a returning traveler remarked recently.

To begin with, the northeasterly point of the continent is here, in the form of Cape Spear, where one is only a matter of 1690 miles from Ireland. The cape almost forms the step between the old world and the new.

Then Newfoundland is unique in that it was possessed of an extinct race of men—these, however, passing out only so late as 1823, when the last Boethic, a woman, went the way of the flesh. As in Australia, the natives here have disappeared before the white men. They were a branch of the great Algonquin family.

Then again, Newfoundland has its interest because of the work of one Capt. Whitbourne, mariner, who was sent out by the British admiralty to regulate the matters among the fishing population, which had increased marvelously. Whitbourne wrote a book entitled "Westward Ho for Avalon," now very rare, but serving to suggest the name of Kingsley's later and world-famous volume.

No British colony was ever so harshly treated as this one. In fact, it has only been since 1813 that anyone could erect a permanent house here without the consent of the Governor.

The interior of Newfoundland today ie one huge, burnt-over forest, a jungle of white masts, as it were—covered with undergrowth and tumbled into all conceivable masses—this as the result of the huge forest fire sweeping almost completely across the island.

They have a custom on the miserable little trans-island railway today, there in Terra Nuova, of charging one a dime for bread and butter at each meal, this whether he order it or partake of it, or not.

In the taprooms of St. John's women serve as bartenders, and over the saloon bar there is posted weekly a list of all persons arrested for drunkenness. No one is allowed to sell any such person a drink for a period of two weeks, under penalty of a heavy fine.

St. John's possesses as unique a via crucis as any town in the world. Up from the harbor, onto the heights, one street ascends in a series of zigzags. At each corner or point in this serpentine, there stands a church these ranging from the great Church of England cathedral down to a simple Methodist house of worship.

In the official spelling St. John's has dropped its apostrophe, just as St. Kitts and St. Ives did long before.

On twelfth night here in the fishing villages, mummers fantastically dressed in cockades and silks, go about through the streets, making merry until a late hour, when they unmask.

Unique among exhibits in the colonial museum is a piece of steel lost by the Franklin Arctic expedition, and refound in Greenland, at about 75 degrees north, so recently as 1903.

In these fishing villages the first time a new-comer steps on a given fish flake or drying stage, its owner will suddenly kneel and proceed to wipe his shoes with his handkerchief. This is not to ward the mud off fish, as might be supposed, for fishermen are utterly oblivious to cleanliness in that regard, but i a custom, the stranger then b expected to reward the service a pour boire.

Interesting tales of the sealing the north are told by these fi men, particularly as to how a will leave a given icefloe say at the morning. The floe will be tr ing south at the rate of five k an hour, and yet the seal wil turn to it that same evening.

The baby seal, too, when bor snowy white, iridescing to a cr much like the icefloe on which lives. By the time it is months old, however, this floe drifted sufficiently far south to the warm gulf stream and melt. baby, by that time, has learne swim, and its color chang brown, whereby it is less cons ous in the waters of the sea, hence, better shielded from its

Then, too, they are wont to how the fishwives will put sa the belly of fish in order to them weigh heavy, and how one when caught, pleaded the excuse "all fish take on ballast befor storm."

In the groceries, watermelons sold by the slice and each slic weight. An average melon, the retails at 75 cents at cheapest.

At St. Shotts, a cliff of iro was long thought to affect the passes of vessels, muchas di Magnetic Mountain in one of t abian nights tales. Being just Cape Race, and where the cu are most variable, many could convinced, but that it was respo for the wrecks occurring there

Newfoundland is the caribou er's paradise, but one virtually finds old caribou antlers, these are locked in a deadly em The deer either stamp them ta on dropping them, or else rats mice gnaw them away!

St. John's, like some of the cities, has a law against th pieces of paper in the streets.

The first land on the America of the globe seen by ships in from Europe on this passage, Isle, a tiny island long belie be inhabited by demons from earthly shrieks heard there b iners. The shrieks, as mat fact, result from the crashin grinding of the icebergs caug the reefs there.

Prisoners in the colonial p tiary of Newfoundland wear the right half of which is wh left black. The result is a curious hodge-podge.

Ladysmith's Futu

"Do you know," said a pr citizen on New Years Day, beginning to think that we w a big city here some day. T ple are beginning to take a interest in civic affairs, and t now in process of develop greater degree of civic pride th ever manifest before at anyt the city's history." The w the speaker struck the keynot whole situation. As long as izens of Ladysmith depend up side enterprise to do wha should undertake themselves need not expect to experienc ed material progress. Out will come when the citizen selves show that they are r earnest in the matter of city but not before that time. ately the signs now point to of civic pride and privat prise, and it will not be lo progress will set in. Every ripe now, and the citize shown by their acts that not going to throw any obs the way of the new order The new year will be the history of the city.

To Home Seekers

I HAVE A FULL SIZED LOT FOR SALE IN THE CHOICEST RESIDENTIAL PORTION OF THE CITY. ONLY $300. TERMS CAN BE ARRANGED. THIS IS ONE OF THE FEW GOOD LOTS LEFT. BUY NOW.

JOHN STEWART

Notary Public Conveyancer

LADYSMITH, B. C.

THE CANADIAN BANK OF COMMERCE

Head Office - - Toronto

CAPITAL $10,000,000 : REST $6,000,000

Bank Money Orders

ISSUED AT THE FOLLOWING RATES:

$5 and under - - - -	3 cents
Over $5 and not exceeding $10,	6 "
" $10 " " $30,	10 "
" $30 " " $50,	15 "

These orders are payable at par at any office in Canada of a Chartered Bank, except in the Yukon, and at the principal banking points in the United States.

They are negotiable at $4.90 to the £ sterling in Great Britain and Ireland. They form an excellent method of remitting small sums of money with safety and at small cost and may be obtained without delay at any office of the Bank.

LADYSMITH BRANCH L. M. DE GEX, Manager

THE LADYSMITH CHRONICLE

Published by Carley & Carley at Ladysmith, B. C., every Wednesday and Saturday.

Advertising Rates on application.

1908-1909.

Laughing slyly at the ills and follies, the joys and tridmphs, the hopes and ambitions, and the fears and regrets of this tragic-comical world, another old year has slipped around the corner of time and taken his place among the shadowy eternities. It was as good as its predecessors, no more cynical and just as pleasant; generous with its sunshine if free with its sorrows; planting as many flowers as it sowed thorns aad tares, and if some of us breathe easier that it is gone, others of us will meet the New Year with tearful, fond memories of the old. After all, looking over the shoulder, as we speed along the high road of duty and purpose, it is well to remember that the mind's eye should never rest upon the dark places where regrets writhe and coil and grin hideous. There is enough to occupy thought without sending it along vain windings in search of the irrevocable and irretrievable.

• • •

The New Year, indeed, is the true year, coming bravely into the mad race of events with colors bright and favors flying, ready for the long run marked off for it down the endless course toward the unknown. It is the unknown that breeds enthusiasm and sets the pulses tingling with valiant expectation; the going out to encounter we know not what, though faith multiplies a thousandfold the chances of rich conquest and glorious achievement. There are sunshine and starshine along the forward way; only the trail of expiring embers thrown off by outrun hope along the way we left behind. Over the hills and far away the grapes hang purple, spilling luscious juices from their straining stems; and the pomegranates redden in the sun, and the laurel shines, and the bay leaves glisten, milk flows through the valleys and honey drips sweet from the rocks, and there is laughter and shouting and applause, and the long love-days end with golden rewards to the toilers.

• • •

It is over the hills our pathway ends and swift and strong and sure must be the runner who shall run the race and pluck for his own the fruits and guerdons that wait the winning in life's Marathon race. The days and the years gone are valuable only in having taught us how to meet and profit by the days and years to come. Happy, the man who can forget the base ingratitude of the professed friends of the old year and step boldly over the threshold and welcome the New Year with its friendships with hearty good-will.

• • •

This is the time when the foolish make resolves, pledge themselves to eradicate old Adam, and give their conduct in charge of unfamiliar angels. The man capable makes no resolves, for he is resolve itself and wisdom lights him through the darkness. Acts are the only resolutions with which to propitiate the New Year. Deeds are the wings of the Mercury that is the herald of success and firmer purpose the magic wand that dispels the feats of uncertainty—and the vampire of doubt that flutters darkling wherever human footsteps trend. Meet the New Year with courage, then, with mind clear and hope unfettered, and when the New Year is in its swift turn the old year, it will have been a good year, and there will be music in the heart and contentment in the soul and a white star radiant on ahead.

Hints for the Home

THE COLOR SCHEME.

In deciding what color scheme to adopt for a room, the first thing to consider is from which point of the compass it receives its light. The next is the wood work—and last its size. If the wood work is of hard wood it in a measure settles the question, as the wood work is the key note to the whole. If it is to be painted or stained, it can be painted or stained to suit any scheme of color one wishes.

A room facing the north is without sunshine, and this lack of sunlight should be supplied artificially, by an abundance of yellow or red. Light a cold lightcoming from the south is said to be a cold light, and as blue is a cold color, it should never be used in such a roomi The temperature of such a combination in a room would seemingly fall some degrees, upon enterlag from a room rich in color. Of course, it would not actually, only in effect, and if the person were of a sensitive nature, it would have a corresponding depressing effect, and make him low spirited, when the contrary would be the case under different conditions.

Blue can only be used in a room that is flooded with sunshine. Green can be used in a room lighted either fromthe north or south. In the former it should be rich and warm in quality, and the sash curtains could be either rose color or yellow.

The New Year's Choicest Products

will be found at our store in everything that embraces table delicacies, fancy and staple groceries and provisions of all kinds to serve the tables of the most fastidious in Ladysmith. The coming year will be one of satisfaction and economical buying if you procure your groceries and provisions from Gear's.

GEAR'S IDEAL GROCERY

Scott's Building, First Avenue.

touch of red should be introduced somewhere, as the contrast emphasizes the value of the green.

As a rule the darkest colors are on the floor, and gradually lighten towards the ceiling. The hangings should be a trifle darker than the walls, and the ceiling considerably lighter than the walls.

Red seems to be universally used in halls—as they are seldom light, and seem to require red to give a cheerful aspect. But it should be a bright and brilliant color, to overcome the darkness of an unlighted hall. Terra cotta it not deep enough and Pompeiian and Indian reds are not rich enough.

Color has its influence in apparently increasing or diminishing the size of a room, Blue is called a retiring color, therefore is used on low ceilings and elsewheec to give an idea of space, or rather of increasing space,

On the contrary, yellow is an advancing colorr, and if used generously will make a room look smaller. Red and green make but little difference.

@If olive green or red brown be used ia conjunction with mahogany furniture, the general effect would be quite different from what it would be if blue were used. Blue would accentuate the tawny orange io the wood, being its complimentary color.

There should be only one decided color in a room, used as a background, against which the others are employed to give value.

MUNICIPAL NOTICE.

Public Notice is hereby given to the electors of the Municipality of Ladysmith:

That I require the presence of the said electors at the City Hall, Ladysmith, on Monday, 11th day of January, 1909, at 12 o'clock noon, for the purpose of electing persons to represent them in the new council as Mayor and Aldermen. The mode of nomination of candidates shall be as follows:

The Candidates shall be nominated in writing, the writing shall be subscribed by two voters of the Municipality, as proposer and seconder, and shall be delivered to the Returning Officer at any time between the date of this notice and 2 p. m. of the day of nomination, and in the event of a poll being necessary, such poll shall be opened on the 14th day of January, 1909, in the City Hall, Ladysmith, and kept open until 7 p. m. of the said date, of which every person is hereby required to take notice and govern himself accordingly.

The qualifications by law required to be possessed by the candidates for the office of Mayor are such persons as are male British subjects of the full age of twenty-one years and are not disqualified under any law, and have been for the six months next preceding the day of nomination the registered owner in the Land Registry Office of land or real property in the City of Ladysmith, of the assessed value on the last Municipal Assessment Roll of $1,000, or more, over and above any registered judgment or charge, and who are otherwise duly qualified as Municipal Voters.

The qualifications by law required to be possessed by the candidates for the office of Aldermen, are such persons as are male British subjects of the full age of twenty-one years and are not disqualified under any law and have been for the six months next preceeding the day of nomination the registered owner in the Land Registry Office of land or real property in the Cty of Ladysmith, of the assessed value on the last Municipal Assessment Roll of $500.00, or more, over and above any registered judgment or charge, and who are otherwise qualified as Municipal Voters.

Given under my hand at Ladysmith, this 23rd day of December, 1908.

JOHN STEWART,
Returning Officer.

MUNICIPAL NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given to the Electors of the Municipality of Ladysmith that I require the presence of the said Electors at the City Hall, Ladysmith, on Monday, 11th January, 1909, at the hour of twelve o'clock noon, for the purpose of electing three persons to represent them on the Board of School Trustees for the coming term.

The nomination of candidates shall be the same as that for Mayor and Aldermen and in the event of a poll being necessary, such poll will be opened on the 14th day of January, 1909, at the City Hall, Ladysmith, and kept open till 7 p. m. of said date of which every person is hereby required to take notice and govern himself accordingly.

Given under my hand af Ladysmith, this 29 day of December, 1908.

JOHN STEWART
Returning Officer.

John W. Coburn, President and Managing Director. Geo. C. Pickard, Secretary-Treasurer.

The Ladysmith Lumber Co., Limited.

MANUFACTURERS OF ALL KINDS OF

Rough and Dressed Fir Lumber, Red Cedar, Shingles and Lath

LADYSMITH, BRITISH COLUMBIA

We Did a Big Business in the Old Year

AND IN THE NEW YEAR WE WILL BE IN A BETTER POSITION THAN EVER TO ATTEND TO YOUR WANTS.

J. A. Ryan, Butcher

Box 173 Phone 43

For Meats

OF ALL KINDS, SAUSAGE A SPECIALTY, LEAVE ORDERS AT

Geo. Roberts' Meat Market

Cor. First Ave. and Roberts Street.

LADYSMITH.

CHEAP SALE

OF

Tinted Denims and Lawn Cushion Covers

Miss Uren

Ladysmith Transfer Stables

Light and heavy teaming.

Furniture and piano moving a specialty.

Nicholson & Weaving

PROPRIETORS

Telephone 1.

Fall Woollens

We have received our Fall Woollens and can make you up a Suit on shortest notice.

D. J. Matheson

The City Market

R. WILLIAMSON, Prop.

Wholesale aad Retail.

MEATS and VEGETABLES

Ladysmith, B. C.

Clearance Sale

—OF—

Silverware, Toilet Cases, Crockery and Chinaware

At Cost

TO CLEAR OUT

LADYSMITH PHARMACY

LADYSMITH MARKET

E. Pannell

DEALER IN ALL KINDS OF

Meats and Vegetables

P. O. Box 54. LADYSMITH Phone 44.

Wagons

I Sell T. J. Trapp & Co's Celebrated Wagons.

During the season we have sold a large number of wagons, implements and logging trucks.

Everything carries a guarantee.

R. WRIGHT

Buller Street

Fall Clearing

In order to clear off this summer's stock of Wall Paper I will dispose of this season's patterns at a greatly reduced rate.

I. E. SMITH, Roberts Street

James Duncan

TAILOR

Suits cleaned and pressed.

Alterations made.

Charges moderate.

ROBERTS STREET LADYSMITH

A. JARVINEN

Photographer

First Class Photos.

Gallery on First Avenue.

A. E. PALMER

FIRST AVENUE

Singer Sewing Machines

Victor Talking Machines

A GOOD ASSORTMENT

Dolls and Toys

Call and See Them

S. J. GIFFORD

Livery, Feed and Sale Stables

EXPRESS WORK A SPECIALTY

WOOD FOR SALE

First Avenue Phone 56

PICTURE FRAMIMG

If you require anything done in this line for Christmas please see our New Mouldings and get cost of any sized frame made up to suit your requirements.

S. ROEDDING

High Street.

CAUTION

On and after December 26th, poison will be placed on Lot 34, South Oyster District, occupied by the undersigned.

E. PANNELL,

A PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR TO ALL

DRESSERS AND STAND, SIDEBOARDS, WARDROBES,
KITCHEN CUPBOARDS, CHEFFONIERS,
BOOK CASES WITH TWO GLASS DOORS.

Couches, net ..... $ 7.75
Morris Chairs 10.50
Child-s Morris Chair 3.50
Rockers, plain and fancy 1.50 to 6.50
Children's Rockers from 1.25 to 2.25
Children's Set Table and two Chairs 2.00

Plain and Fancy Dishes at rock bottom prices.
Knife and Forks from $1.80 a doz. pair.
Carving Sets from $1.25 to $3.50.
Tea Spoons, Dessert Spoons, Table Spoons from 25c per doz. up to 50c each.

C. Peterson - - Furniture Store

CAVIN'S FOOTWEAR STORE

To All We Wish a Happy New Year

Geo. H. Cavin, Footwear Store

E. & N. Ry.

Special Rates New Year

Fare and one-third for the Round Trip. Tickets on sale at all Agents Dec. 31st, and January 1st, 1909, final return limit January 3rd, 1909.

Nanaimo to Vancouver Return Fare $2.00

Tickets on sale December 31 and Jan. 1st, 1909. Final return limit January 3rd, 1909.

L. D. CHETHAM,
Dist. Pass. Agt.
1102 Govt. st. Victoria, B. C.

Christmas is over and the New Year is near.

Start Right Deal where you get Best Value

We have a full line of Choice New Year Gifts, Cards, Etc.

AT

McKELVIE BROS., First Avenue, Ladysmith.

DRINK

U. B. C.

AND BOHEMIAN

BEER

UNION BREWING CO., Ltd
NANAIMO, B. C.

VICTORIA BUSINESS COLLEGE

GOVERNMENT STREET, VICTORIA.

Principal—Mr. W. W. Suttie, certificated gov. teacher. Specially certificated by Messrs Pitman & Sons for shorthand; medalist, etc.

Special offer—Six months' course, books, tuition, room and board for $150. Monthly $25. In advance $125. References, etc. on application. This offer only for January—June term. Begins Jan. 4th.

Ladysmith Orchestra

OPEN FOR DANCE ENGAGEMENTS. FROM TWO PIECES UP.

All Newest and Latest Music.

For full particulars apply,
A. AUCHINVOLE,
Ladysmith, B. C.

A. Maxwell Muir, C. E.

Architect

1208 Government Street

VICTORIA - - B. C.

Local and General.

Miss Irene Morgan is visiting Miss Annie Collier of Nanaimo.

Mr. W. A. Dier, a prominent mining man of Victoria, is visiting his son, Dr. Dier, of Ladysmith.

Ralph Smith, M. P., after spending the New Year in Vancouver, was announced to leave for Ottawa to day.

There will be an interesting wedding on the evening of January 4th, when two popular residents of Ladysmith will be united in marriage!

The committee of the Prince Rupert Board of Trade having charge of the preliminary preparations for the incorporation of that city have presented a bill to the government outlining their vieRs.

At the residence of the bridegroom's parents, Thursday evening, Rev. Mr. McMillan united in marriage Mr. Fred J. Fielding and Miss Jean Callender. The young couple have the best wishes of alarge circle offriends for a prosperous married life.

LOVE BY WIRELESS

Hester Temple's fad—every one has some fad—is boys. Any boy from two to fourteen interests her, and Frank Kimball, aged thirteen, is her best friend. Frank lives half a mile down the road from Hester's. Frank's fad is electrical knickknacks, of which his little bedroom is full. You can't get into it without ringing an electric bell.

Frank's latest acquisition is one of those new short distance wireless telegraphic machines. He has it rigged in a lounging space on the top of the house, where there are chairs, a table and a wicker sofa, all under an awning. He has learned to send messages to Hester Temple, half a mile up the road, who also has a machine—he put it up for her—and she replies to them.

"My automobile will be here next week. Father says so. It's a dandy," Frank telegraphs. "What lovely rides we shall have!" Hester replies. "We can run away together." "And get married. Won't it be splendid?" "How old will you be when I'm twenty-one?" "I'll be twenty-eight." That won't be so much difference as there is now, will it?" "No, it won't be very much." And Hester smiles at the boy's interest in the matter.

One fine summer's day recently Frank's grownup cousin, Clarence Davenport, an electrical engineer—science runs in the family—came to his uncle's to spend his two weeks vacation. In the morning he went up on the roof to lounge and smoke. The first thing that caught his eye was the wireless machine. He went up to it and rattled the key a bit. In a moment there came a message. "Is that you, dear boy?" Davenport replied that it was. "I understand that your cousin has come up from the city." "He has." "Is he nice?" "Nice doesn't express it; he's a jim dandy." "Handsome?" "A perfect Apollyon." "I mean Apollo." "Oh!" "How long is he going to stay." "What makes you take so much interest in him?" "Don't be jealous, dear; I won't desert you for any one else." There was a pause. Clarence, who wondered as to the age of Frank's sweetheart, asked, "What's your birthday?" "Why do you ask?" "I've got a present for you." "Next December." "How old?" "Twenty-one." "Do you know what I'm going to do?" "What?" "I'm going to marry you before that next birthday." If it had been a telephone instead of a telegraph Clarence Davenport would have heard a merry laugh. What he did hear was, "Very well; I'm agreeable." "Is it a promise?" "Certain sure." "See that you don't go back on it."

"Frank," said Clarence a little later, "how would you like to go to the city and spend a week or so with your aunt?"

"And go to the shows and such things?"

"Yes."

"I'd like it bully!"

The next day Frank was sent to town. Before leaving he tried to say goodby to Hester, but there was a connection in his machine missing, and he failed. After he had gone Clarence called up Hester and conversed with her for an hour. Personating Frank he told her that his Cousin Clarence was a regular crackerjack. Clarence was going to take him to the city and show him all the sights. Hester told her correspondent to be sure not to go without saying goodby, whereapon Clarence asked her if she would give him a parting kiss. Hester replied that she never kissed boys after they wcee thirteen, and he being thirteen and a half she mustdecline. But he pleaded hard, and she promised to give him just a little bit of a one.

Every morning for ten days Clarence called up his correspondent. She asked him why he never came over to see her, and he always had a good excuse. Finally he told her that he was about to go to town with Cousin Clarence and would go over the next afternoon to claim that parting kiss. On reaching the Temple home he sent up his card to Hester. She came down somewhat surprised at seeing him instead of Frank. He said that he had intended to give himself the pleasure of calling before but had been resting.

"And where is Frank?" she ashed.

"Frank went to the city nearly two weeks ago."

"You must be mistaken. He has been talking to me by wireless every day."

"I'm sure he has not been at home for ten days."

Thelady looked puzzled.

"Possibly," said Clarence, "you may have a friend in the spirit world as in the flesh who has been talking to you."

Hester looked half frightened and blushed.

"Have you promised him any thing?"

Hester blushed some more.

"A kiss?"

She reddened like a rose.

"To marry him?"

Her face grew positively scarlet.

"Heaven grant that you have not a ghost lover who has been talking to you through the ethereal blue and who will carry you off to spirit land.

Suddenly an idea came to her. Her eyes snapped omniously. Then she turned, Juno-lik?, and swept out of the room.

There is a sequel to this story that would require far more time to tell. It involves a pleading for forgiveness, a positive refusal, a weakening, penance and absolution. Then electricity and the atmosphere gave place to pen and ink and the mails. Lastly there was a confirmation of the airy promises made under deception, sealed by the promised kiss.

IRENE C. ADAMS.

Wood for Sale.

Splendid mill wood for sale at Ladysmith Lumber yard, at a low price. Apply to

P. INKSTER.

BOOK READERS

Look at our large list of the latest novels.

Fine Assortment of Stationery

HARRY HUGHES

Ladysmith Bakery Company

WISHING ONE AND ALL A HAPPY NEW YEAR.

Hop Lee, Prop.

Star Orchestra

CONSISTING OF FIVE PIECES.

Open for engagements from Two Pieces up.
Gives Dance Every Two Weeks.
For full particulars, apply
W. M. ALLISTER, Sec.

I beg to inform the residents of Ladysmith that I have taken over the express business from S. J. Gifford and I solicit for a share of your patronage.

Commercial Trade a specialty.

M. G. O'BRIEN

Dr. R. B. Dier

Surgeon Dentist

ALL WORK GUARANTEED

ONLY WHITE LABOR EMPLOYED AT THE

Jones Hotel

Portland Hotel

GOOD BOARDING.

BILLIARDS AND POOL.

Barclay & Conlin, Proprietors

GRAND HOTEL

CONVENIENT
COMFORTABLE

Excellent Boarding

HEPPLE & SMITH,
Proprietors.

F. C. Fisher

TEACHER OF MUSIC

Studio in Williams' Block.

Hilbert Undertaking Parlors

1, 3 and 5, Bastion St., Nanaimo

Phone 124 P. O. Box

J. M. MORGAN

Teacher of Voice Production and Singing.

IN TOWN EVERY FRIDAY.

All kinds of Clock and Watch pairing. Satisfaction Guaranteed Reasonable Prices.

English Watches a Specialty.

J. R. Easton

Practical Watchmaker.

All work left at H. Hughes' st will receive Prompt attention.

Sask-alta Range

REDUCES THOSE BAKING HOURS!

Why have an oven sufficient only for three pies when "Sask-alta" Range oven will take four pies and other cooking? The more baking space you have—the less fuel you use—the less work you do. Fuel and work are just about the main items of expense in the kitchen. "Sask-alta" Range saves both for you.

McClary's

London, Toronto, Montreal, Winnipeg, Vancouver, St. John, Hamilton, Calgary.

LOCAL AGENTS
LADYSMITH HARDWARE CO.

THE HOME DOCTOR.

Apply glycerine to a scald directly the accident happens, and cover it up with strips of rag soaked in glycerine. If the glycerine is not at hand, apply salad oil in the same way.

When you buy castor oil, always pour it all into a small pan and put on stove and boil for a few minutes. Pour back into bottle and cork tight and it is ready for use. You will find there will be no stomach cramps and pains after it is taken.

If a delicate child has a habit of kicking the clothes off at night and so contracting chills in cold weather, it is a good plan to sew a large button to each corner of the coverlet and attach a long tape loop to the corners of the bedstead. When fastened, this contrivance will keep the bedclothes securely in place, however much the child may toss in its sleep.

Take care of your throat and lungs by protection from within, as well as protection from without, by keeping the mouth closed when passing from a warm to a less warm temperature. Precautions are often wrongly taken. It may be better to turn your chest protector around, and make a back protector of it, thus protecting your chest and lungs by the necessary care of the spinal column, along which is the chain of sympathetic nerves. It is better to turn up one's coat collar than to wear a muffler, and better to protect carefully the back of the neck from draughts of cold air than to protect the throat.

Start the New Year

In a fitting manner and buy your Groceries from us.

By careful attention to business we mean to look after your interests, and to give you the very best goods for the least money.

OUR SPECIALS ARE:

Deckjube, Rakwana, Dragon and Rajah Tea, at 50c a pound.

Blair & Adam Family Laundry Soap, 4 big bars, 90c.

Empress Jam in 2-pound glass jars, 3 jars for $1.

Stanfield's Unshrinkable Underwear for men, in three weights, from $2.50 to $4 a suit.

Walkover Shoes for men and women, eight different styles and widths. See them.

The lines are sold only by us, and we would ask your inspection of any of the goods.

Trusting you will all have a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

BLAIR & ADAM

THE EMPIRE CAFE

548 JOHNSON ST., VICTORIA

Meals 20 Cents and Up.

Best 25 Cent Meal in Victoria for 20 Cents. Patronize White Labor by eating here. Special atteniion given to tourists and visitors, who are cordially welcome. We keep the Celebrated Grand Duke Cigar.

GEORGE BRUGGY, MANAGER.

JUST RECEIVED

1,000 New Post Cards, 25 Cents Per Dozen

COMIC POST CVRDS, TO CLEAR OUT, 25C A DOZ.

Knight's Book Store

Happy New Year

AND SINCEREST THANKS TOALL FOR THEIR LIBERAL PATRONAGE

JOHN BICKLE

Local and General.

All the stores in the city were closed to-day.

Mrs. P. G. Noot went down to Victoria this morning.

Lionel Greaves won the turkey at J. A. Ryan's drawing.

More than 500 men are working in the coal mine at Coleman, Alta.

The cigar factory at Kelowna employs 22 hands and makes 6,000 cigars daily.

There will be a meeting of the firemen at J. E. Smith's store to morrow afternoon at 4 o'clock.

In Cranbrook this year the customs collections amounted to $35,000 and the inland revenue to $12,000.

Mr. John Eno has been appointed manager of the football club in place of Mr. R. R. Hindmarch resigned.

Armstrong has decided to buy the electric light plant in that town for $24,000, the people being in favour of municipal ownership.

A syndicate of Edmonton men have purchased 2,000 acres of land on Lower Arrow lake which they will subdivide and place on the market as fruit farms.

Those interested in the scheme of installing an electric light plant in Duncan, had an electrical expert from Victoria go over the ground last week and it is reported that work will be commenced on the undertaking next summer.

The Leader announces that the first carload of material for the new steel bridge across the Cowichan river at Duncan arrived on Wednesday. Eight more carloads are now on the way and will arrive shortly. It was originally the intention of the railway company to replace the present bridge, with a steel one at present in use on the Quebec division of the line, but the officials have lately decided to build an entirely new bridge and the structure to be erected in the spring will be constructed wholly of new material.

Just a few Left after the Christmas Rush

We have just got straightened up after the rush and have had a chance to look through our stock.

We find that there are some suitable things left for persons wishing New Years Presents.

Give us a call and look through our stock.

Wishing you all a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

W. E. Morrison

Bring Your Pictures Here To Be Framed

PRICES REASONABLE.

First class work guaranteed.

HARRY KAY, First Avenue

For a fine chop or steak, try Hooper's, Gatacre street.

Before going to bed call at Hooper's and have a cup of coffee and a sandwich.

The advent of the New Year was celebrated with many public and private dances.

Ladysmith will play Victoria West at the sports grounds this afternoon. The match should be a good one.

The firemen's ball was not a success. Counter attractions kept many away that otherwise would have been present.

As advertised, on New Years eve at 10:30, the drawing took place at P. G. Noot's store. The store was crowded and not a few were watching outside. Mr. T. Conway drew the ticket from the box, which was No. 1105. This number won the diamand ring, but the owner was not present. The beans were then counted, and numbered 2068, the holder of ticket No. 1453 guessed 2067, only one from the correct number, and this won the watch. The beans were carefully and accurately counted by Messrs. J. Muir and B. McKelvie before the entire gathering. Holders of these numbers will kindly call and get their presents.

The Game of Football.

As usual, the enemies of football are trying to make capital out of the fatalities of the season in progress. But, considering the countless thousands engaged in the sport, the list, however lamentable, is far from terrifying. To those accustomed to reckon mortality risks it is astonishingly brief. If the deaths had accurred in any sport or recreation in which the danger is less obvious to the sensitive eye—as for example, traveling or swimming—they would scarcely have caused comment. Some years ago, when an eastern college faculty wae discouraging football, a clear-headed undergraduate compiled a list showing that the accidents on the football field were exceeded by those due to slipping on the icy walks of the college yard. The walks continued to be slippery. As far as this year's list of football fatalities shows anything it shows that the danger is not in the case of the great games, where the brutality seems to reach the maximum, but in the minor games. The obvious moral is not that the game should be abolished, but that the players should be carefully selected and trained. One danger there is, however, in football as in other contests requiring great physical effort and endurance, and it is characteristic that the reformers have ignored it. This is the danger that comes in the after life of the athlete. The life of business and the professions is sedentary in the main, and gives no scope to the vital organs as developed on fields and river; and Nature abhors useless tissue as she is said to abhor a vacuum. The overdeveloped heart, lungs and muscles degenerate in inactivity, and offer easy lodgment to disease—consumption, typhoid, heart degeneration.

Boots and Shoes

THERE ARE SPECIAL BARGAINS TO BE GOT IN BOOTS AND SHOES GENT'S FURNISHINGS, CHILDREN'S CLOTHING, FANCY GOODS AND JEWELLERY AT

John Thomas

The Old Reliable Shoe Store.

HIGH STREET.

THE NEW YEAR

Finds us getting the store in shape for stock-taking, and while doing so we always find a number of lines that we want to clear out before getting in our new spring goods, and as it has been our custom for the past two years to hold an

ODDS AND ENDS

Sale during the month of January, we are now getting these lines sorted out. They will include China-ware, Toilet ware, odd Cups and Saucers, Plates, Salad Bowls, Bread Plates, Cutlery, and other lines too numerous to mention.

Early Buyers Get the Best Values.

The Ladysmith Hardware Co., Ltd.

THE QUALITY HOUSE

We have just received a full consignment of optical goods, including lenses, fsames, and Materials. All glasses adjusted to suit the wearer. EYES TESTED FREE.

P. G. NOOT,

Watchmaker Jeweler Opttcian

CARD OF THANKS.

Editor of The Chronicle:

Dear Sir—Would you please allow me space in your columns to thank on behalf of the trustees of the Methodist church all the friends who worked so hard, and also those who sent in provisions for the banquet, and thus made it such a decided success. On behalf of the congregation.

R. WILKINSON, Pastor.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.

Sunday Services at 11 a. m. and 7 p. m. Bible Class and Sunday School at 2 p. m. Prayer meeting Wednesday at 7 p. m.

J. McMILLAN, Pastor.

ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH.

Sunday services: At 8 a. m., low mass. At 10:30 a. m., high mass. At 2 p. m., Sunday school. At 7 p. m., evening service and Benediction.

METHODIST CHURCH SABBATH SERVICES.

Morning, 11 a. m.; evening, 7 p. m.; Sabbath school, 2:30 p. m. Everybody welcome. All seats free.

Epworth league meets Tuesday evening at 7 p. m.

Prayer meeting Wednesday evening at 7 p. m.

R. WILKINSON, Pastor.

THE BIG STORE FOR VALUES

A Happy New Year to Our Customers

Simon Leiser & Company, Ltd, TheB ig Store