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## Tenders Will Be Asked for Sewers

The council met at the usual hour Monday evening, with Mayor Nicholson in the chair, and the following aldermen present: Haworth, Roberts, Campbell, Dier, Brown, McKinnell and Matheson.

Mr. Arthur Morrison made his first appearance as city clerk, and read the minutes of the last meeting, which were approved.

Mrs. Annie Stevens wrote the council that she was prepared to lay a cement sidewalk sixty-nine feet along the First Avenue side of her premises to Gatacre street, providing the council defrayed a certain portion of the cost.

This proposal brought forth considerable discussion, on account of the question of grade.

Ald. Campbell believed it was the duty of the council to encourage improvements of this character as much as possible. Possibly the matter could be arranged by the council offering to pay so much per foot.

Ald. Dier drew attention to the fact that sooner or later the walk would have to be continued to Roberts street, and the council would undoubtedly put down a wood sidewalk.

The mayor and other members of the council discussed the question in all its bearings, and it was finally decided to grant permission to build a cement sidewalk, and that 60 cents per foot be paid to the builder.

Another account in connection with the smallpox epidemic of last year came up for consideration. It was the bill of the doctor who succeeded Dr. Danks and it was decided to forward it to the Provincial Secretary.

Wm. C. Breat, of Toronto, wrote concerning the debentures, and asked for further information.

Accounts aggregating \$259.10 were presented and referred to the finance committee.

James Callendar reported that he had looked at a tree which had fallen on the Sutherland property and that one man could remove it in a day.

The report was received and filed and the tree will be removed.

The council went into committee of the whole to consider Ald. Matheson's revenue by-law, Ald. Dier in the chair.

The report was read clause by clause and finally adopted.

Under the head of new business, Ald. Dier urged an immediate start on the sewers. It was time that tenders were called for, so that when the money was available there would be no delay.

The mayor believed in getting ready at once, and drew attention to the fact that a copy of the plans and specifications should be filed with the Provincial Board of Health. He believed that the tenderers should deposit a cheque as a guarantee of good faith.

Another matter discussed, was the method of tendering. It was pointed out that sometimes a corporation could buy material cheaper than a contractor, and the impression prevailed generally that it would be better to have the tenders made in two forms—one for the work as a whole, and the other separate tenders for material and work.

Ald. Dier thought that tenders might be called for the electric light plant at the same time.

Mayor Nicholson pointed out that there would have to be more preliminary work done, such as selecting a site, before it would be advisable to call for tenders for building the lighting plant.

In reply to a question as to the septic tank, the mayor made an interesting explanation, viz., that the proposed tank was simply a place in which to destroy the refuse, so that the cost of carrying it out to the water would be minimized.

It was moved, seconded and carried, that tenders be called for the construction of sewers, one tender to be for the cost of labor and material, and the other tender for labor alone, that the tenderers be required to deposit the sum of 10 per cent, as a guarantee of their ability to complete the work, and that the tenders be in at 5 o'clock on the evening of Monday, March 15.

It was decided to insert the advertisement in the Ladysmith Chronicle.

the Victoria Colonist and the Vancouver World.

Ald. Campbell gave notice that he would at the next meeting of the council introduce a by-law to amend the road tax by-law.

It was moved by Ald. Dier and seconded by Ald. Haworth, that a hearty vote of thanks be tendered the retiring city clerk, Mr. John Stewart, for the commendable manner in which he had discharged the duties of his office.

Mayor Nicholson took occasion to refer to the many good qualities of the retiring city clerk, and the motion carried.

Mr. Stewart thanked the members of the council for past courtesies. It was with regret he relinquished his duties, but he felt that he would do better by devoting his whole time to his private interests. He stated that he gave up his duties with the kindest feelings towards the members of the council, and he felt satisfied that his successor would render a good account of himself.

The question of the bond of the new city clerk was discussed, and it was decided to make it \$5,000.

The council then adjourned.

## Joint Stock Company of Fruit Growers

This afternoon a meeting of the members of the Victoria Fruit Growers' Association and others interested in fruit growing on the islands will be held in the city hall when the proposition to form a joint stock company to take the place of the local Fruit Growers' Association will be considered. The fruit growing industry on the island has now reached the stage, it is stated, when the powers enjoyed by the associations are not wide enough to allow of the business being carried on as profitably and satisfactorily as it could be were a joint stock corporation formed. It has been suggested that a company with a capital of \$50,000 would prove more satisfactory than the present association. The matter is as yet in the embryo state but will be thoroughly discussed at to-day's meeting and whatever action is taken will be reported to a general meeting of the Victoria Fruit Growers' Association to be held on the 15th.—Victoria Colonist.

The attendance at the Novelty Theatre for the first two nights of the week has been greater than at any time since the house opened. The pictures were equally as attractive as those presented last week, and Joe Sanderson and Thos. Lewis sang several illustrated songs. There will be a change of programme beginning tomorrow when the following pictures will be presented: "The Holy City," "Father Was to Blame," "When Thief Meets Thief," and "The Black Princess." The following songs will be given by Joe Sanderson and Thomas Lewis: "In the Shady Land," "When You Love Her, and She Loves You."

A very pleasant evening was spent at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Mahaley on Saturday last, when the Misses Rule entertained a few of their friends at cards and games. Among those present were: The Misses Patterson, Miss R. Nash, Miss B. Jones, Miss M. Lapsanski, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Gordon, Mr. C. James, Mr. Geo. Hogan, Mr. Robert Belyea, Mr. Geo. Nash, Mr. W. Bourn, Mr. Fred Mattinson, Mr. H. Berrow, and Mr. J. Jones.

On account of the recent outbreak of smallpox in Nanaimo, the council of that city is considering the advisability of erecting an isolation hospital. Every seaport city in British Columbia should have a permanent isolation hospital, and the citizens of Nanaimo should not delay a moment in taking this very necessary precaution against the spread of this loathsome disease.

## Ladysmith Out of Luck in Last Two Games

Ladysmith and Nanaimo will meet Sunday next in an Island League game. Both teams are after points. Ladysmith have played one game in this series with Esquimalt, winning the game in Victoria. Arrangements are under way for a special train to leave Nanaimo at 2 p. m.

The Ladysmith team are not disheartened at their defeat last Sunday and intend turning the tables on the Pacific Coast Champions. The following will represent the Ladysmith team:

Goal—Dougan.  
Backs—Rodgers, McDowell.  
Halves—Smith Strang, Wynne.  
Forwards—Grainger, McGuire, Brass, Graham, Provins.  
Reserves—McKinley and O'Connell.

Arthur Morrison suffered a sprained shoulder in Sunday's game and consequently will be out of the game for a while.

Ladysmith A suffered their third defeat in the second division Island League at Victoria. Victoria West won with 3 goals to 1, putting them at the top of the League with Ladysmith B. second.

It must be confessed that there was some disappointment at the result of the game, between Ladysmith and Nanaimo last Sunday. It was believed by many that Ladysmith would win but all hopes were in vain. The Nanaimo Free Press concludes a lengthy review of the game, which is admitted to be absolutely without bias, as follows:

As for the play, the game had only been in progress a few minutes when in taking a goal kick, Dougan put the ball to Hooper who without any demur put it through. Of course it was a fluke, but it counted and never another point was tallied. The visitors strove with might and main to get through, and the home boys fought just as desperately to keep them out while the forwards did everything they knew and could do to add to the lone score. Just how desperate the struggle was it is difficult to give any idea of. Perhaps Hewitt could do it better than anybody else. Paddy was the focus point of every rush by the visiting forwards. He was a rushing, charging tornado, diving in feet first, head first, all ways and in the nick of time. There was not a pool on the ground that Paddy did not sample, and hardly a square foot from which he did not take samples home with him. He had McDowell beaten to a frazzle, and when danger threatened from the other wing he charged over there, and if he did not end up with a seat on an opposing forward he was willing to be sat on. When it comes to spectacular play Paddy certainly hands out the goods.

The first half ended, and the visitors in turn got the advantage of the rest end from which to shoot. For twenty minutes the visiting forwards more than kept the home defence guessing. Paddy hardly had time to get a hitch in his pants, and Shorty was looking for a place to rest on whenever there came a reathing spell. How long was it going to last was the question, and many a desperate melee took place in the danger zone. However the attack spent itself, and the home forwards took up the running, and they were always more business-like than their vis-a-vis. Dougan was called upon twice or thrice in as many minutes, but responded ably to the call. Cruickshanks had two shots, and L'urren whizzed a couple so fast 'nec past the posts. Then came the turn of the visitors again, but it was only the old story repeated. The defence was too strong and all the efforts of the Ladysmith forwards were abortive. As hard a game as had ever been seen on the cricket grounds ended in favor of the home team by the only goal of the match.

Walker deserves a word of praise. He had not many shots to save but those that came his way were difficult ones to negotiate. The very first time he was called upon he could only reach the ball with one hand, and it was an extremely clever save. Again he tipped a shot from Strang over the bar which looked a

more than sly and is deserving of the highest praise.

Graham has been seen to better advantage, but he held his wing and was to the fore in more than one angrier scrimmage. For the rest, all the men played for all they were worth. As usual Cruickshanks was the most prominent of the forwards, and put in a lot of useful work, which was not very often turned to much account. The same thing applies even more to Billy McGuire. Billy is perhaps even more tricky than Frank, which is saying a whole lot, and he played like a Trojan. But his work was mostly wasted, and he would have done better if he had swung the ball to the other wing oftener than he did. McDowell could do nothing against Paddy, and his ineffectiveness only served to recall the great personal duels of Paddy and Grainger.

Rogers played a great game, at right back for the visitors. He is not as spectacular as Paddy, but he is every whit as effective as Joe Blundell can testify. He is a great catch. Yesterday he never made a mistake, and again and again came to the rescue of his side. Morrison is better on dry ground, but there was no fault to be found with his play. Altogether it was a great game, and on the home side at least, there was not a failure on the team.

It is understood that a telegram was received at 3.30 this afternoon from Wm. C. Brent, Toronto, accepting the balance of the sewerage debentures.

In the discussion of the freight and passenger service between Vancouver and Ladysmith, no objection can be taken to the tariff on freight here. As Mayor Nicholson and other speakers pointed out, the other night at the Citizens' League meeting, the freight rate from Vancouver to Ladysmith is not excessive; in fact it is as low as could be expected.

During the past month or so, ten new members have been initiated in Harmony Lodge, I. O. O. F., and there are now several applicants who are turning in their names for membership. As an investment this is perhaps the soundest going. A young man pays his \$25 to join, and when he is a member he has a \$50 equity in the funds, besides the backing of 230 other members.

A great deal of interest is being taken in the races at the Aero roller rink. In the contest Monday night, the first heat was won by Peter Morris. The other contestants were: August Lapsansky, Robert Lawson and Thomas McIntyre. In the contest Tuesday night, the first heat was won by Bickerton. The other racers were: Jack Beauchamp and Charles Finnland. Entrees for tonight are: Fred. Matheson, Frank Gardner, Tom Batie and Geo. Pollock.

The problem of electrifying the lines of the Canadian Pacific Railway is one that is nowadays considerably exercising the minds of the heads of that company, says the Montreal Witness. It is quite evident that the work cannot yet be started on a general scale.

The proposal is to make a start by electrifying the mountain lines, utilizing for this purpose the prodigality of water power running to waste on the eastern slope of the Rockies. Freezing causes a great diminution of this power in the winter, and the question is whether that is left would prove sufficient to operate the main line during the winter season.

On the Crow's Nest line this trouble of freezing is not experienced because of the milder climate. It is, in this line that the start is to be made. The line is to be reconstructed as soon as possible, and it is probable that this will soon be followed by electrification. Experiments to this end are now being carried out at Bonington Falls, on the Kootenay River, where there is immense power. The officials of the company are also carefully studying the electric system already in operation in the states

## How Forest Wealth Has Been Squandered

At revivalist meetings the converted drunkard and the reformed thief

are often put forward as great attractions. They are object lessons, and as such they appeal in a practical way to their audiences. One of these practical object lessons has just been given to Canada. In an address, which he delivered before the Canadian Club at Ottawa, Earl Grey mentioned that Dr. Gifford Pinchot was the bearer of a letter from the President of the United States to himself and to Sir Wilfrid, inviting Canada to take part in an international commission on the conservation of natural resources. Dr. Pinchot afterwards addressed the Club. The moral of his address was: Expenditure. The United States, in the position of a prodigal who has squandered his inheritance, implores Canada to take thought for the morrow and to be warned by the example of her neighbor.

The United States, somewhat late in the day, has been taking stock and the result has been most disconcerting to the people of that country. The very essence of forestry is a long look ahead. You cannot deal with a slow-growing crop like a forest without taking at least one century into consideration. When, therefore, the people of the United States had completed an inventory of their forest wealth, and realized how recklessly it had been squandered, it was but natural that they should turn their thoughts to kindred problems relative to the stores of fuel and other resources on which future generations of Americans will have to depend.

The first step was the appointment of a waterways commission, and the second a great convention in Washington of the governments of the United States in the American Union, at which both the outgoing and incoming administrations were committed thoroughly to the policy of conservation. The first work of the National Conservation Commission was to prepare an inventory of the natural resources of the country—to take stock of all that remained. Dr. Pinchot, in his address, summarized the result of the Commission's investigations.

"We discovered," he said, "that the preventable waste in our coal supplies amount to some \$300,000,000 every year; that if we go on increasing the use of them at the present rate, they will probably be gone by the middle of the next century—a long time, perhaps, and yet not long in the life of a nation; that our iron supplies, which are just as necessary as our coal—the high-grade ores—will be gone by the middle of this century; and that our oil and gas supplies will probably be gone by the middle of this century. We found that our lands are being washed into the sea at the rate of 800 millions tons per year—that our farmers have been losing over \$500,000,000 a year from easily preventable soil erosion, \$130,000,000 a year from injurious animals, and two or three times that amount from injurious insect and other forms of preventable waste; that some of our public lands were being disposed of in such ways that the number of homes on the lands were not being increased; that we are cutting our forests three and a half times faster than they are being produced; and that our forests are growing at the rate of 12 cubic feet per acre per annum when the might easily grow at the rate of 40—which shows the great loss of wood material that might be made, but that is not being made."

"We found that of every thousand feet of lumber, standing in the forests only a little over 300 feet gets into use, that the waste in logging, in milling, in seasoning, in working up afterwards, used up from the standing trees all but about 310 board feet for every thousand board feet standing in the woods, and that a very large part of this waste is preventable. We found that the reasonably available water powers in the country at the present time would move every railroad train, every trolley car, every wheel, and every spindle, light every house, and answer every use of power in the country. That is to say, if our vast supplies of coal were burned up, the might easily, to a great extent, be replaced by the use of our water

powers, which are at present largely going to waste.

"We found that our water powers were in process of being monopolized by two or three great companies—that our water powers, east and west, south and north, were being acquired as rapidly as these wise and far-seeing men could get hold of them, and were thus in danger of being monopolized when our coal supplies were either exhausted or so depleted as to have greatly risen in price, in the hands of one of the most far-reaching and oppressive monopolies that has ever existed on the face of the earth."

The seriousness of the situation is seen at once when we reflect that in any country where fuel is scarce, as in California, after oil is gone, every source of power must, as far as we can at present see, come from the streams. Some day, no doubt, every railway train, all lighting and heating of houses, all irrigation pumping, and all machinery will be done by electric power from water. Therefore, it is all-important that the control of the water power should not pass altogether out of the Government's hands. Then, again, the navigable streams of the United States cover 26,000 miles, and some \$500,000,000 is spent on rivers and harbors; but in spite of that, navigation has declined, and the rivers are less navigable than they were fifty years ago, because the soil is being washed into them faster than the Government is able to dredge it out.

It was found that the loss from fire in the United States was \$300,000,000, and the fire bill for losses and fighting, fires was \$500,000,000. The loss seems enormous when it is stated that the expenditure in construction is one thousand million dollars. Then, too, there is the loss from preventable disease. It was calculated that there were about 3,000,000 people seriously ill in the United States with preventable diseases. A man's life is estimated to be worth \$1,700, and a man's work is estimated to be worth \$700 a year. If three-fourths of the preventable disease were prevented, there would on this calculation be a saving of \$1,500,000 a year.

Having drawn this gloomy picture of the United States, Dr. Pinchot hastened to add that it was not a picture of Canada. "You in Canada," he said, "are in a vastly better position to take up conservation. Your reserve of resources per capita is very much greater than ours; you are fortunate in being in time, much more than we, to take up this question."

While it is undoubtedly true that Canada is endowed with natural resources to an extent which at present appears well nigh boundless, it is nevertheless none too soon for the Government to devote serious attention to the conservation of these riches. We of to-day are but trustees for those who are to come after us, and we sometimes need to be reminded of the fact.

## Death of Roderick G. Morrison

Mr. William E. Morrison this morning received a telegram from the east announcing the death of his father, Roderick G. Morrison, at St. Peter's, N. S., last evening. The deceased was born in Inverness, Scotland, and with his parents came to Nova Scotia when he was only two years old. In 1852 he went to California, and remained there for six years. Returning to Nova Scotia, he lived there the rest of his life, and was postmaster for fifty years. He had been ill only a few hours, when the end came. Deceased is survived by six children, five sons and one daughter. Two of the sons and the daughter are at home, two in California, and one son, William E. Morrison, is in Ladysmith. On account of the death of his father Mr. Morrison's store will be closed all day tomorrow.

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### Editorial Comment.

The city council by resolution paid a well-deserved compliment to the retiring city clerk, Mr. John Stewart. The work required of a city clerk is often trying, and the fact that Mr. Stewart during the many years he has acted in that office has never had one unpleasant word with the various council boards under which he has served, speaks well for his tact and discretion in discharging the duties of his office.

Steps have been taken in Toronto for the formation of the Canada Steel Company. The syndicate secured a new process of making steel at a fraction of the present cost, and that, too, from common ore which is at present plentiful in New Ontario. The new process will reduce the cost of tool steel from \$1.03 to ten cents a pound.

Just to demonstrate that there is no such a thing as politics in the deliberations of the city council, it was decided to advertise for tenders in two Conservative papers and one Liberal paper. Every alderman disclaimed any desire to give the proceedings a political color, and no one has any right to doubt the word of a Ladysmith alderman.

At a Liberal banquet held a few nights ago at Vancouver, two well known Liberal leaders were decidedly outspoken in their condemnation of the graft incidental to the distribution of the Federal patronage in that city. Robert Kelly was accused of distributing the loaves and fishes without consulting the Liberal executive.

The Mayor and city council are determined to lose no time in getting work started on the sewers. Tenders will be called for the construction of the sewers, and all the arrangements completed by the time the money is forthcoming for the debentures. This means that work should begin early in the spring.

Hon. Wm. Templeman has been elected by acclamation for Comox Atlin. The free and independent electors of Comox-Atlin will thus be deprived of an opportunity of listening to the burning words of oratory as they pour forth lava-like from the chaste lips of William Blakemore.

Under the auspices of the King, there will be shortly established the Royal British Radium Institute. The purpose is to facilitate research, and in connection therewith there will be a special department for the treatment of various cases by the radium cure.

The present year will witness great changes on Vancouver Island. It will be one of development and progress, and the city that is most persistent in keeping its claims for recognition before the people is the one that will secure the greatest benefits.

Kamloops has a real estate flurry, as a result of the announcement that the Canadian Northern will construct a line down the Thompson River.



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Of great supplemental value to the wireless in locating the injured Republic was the system of submarine signals adopted the past two years by ocean liners. It was the first time the signals have been used in an accident and long after the wireless of the Republic had ceased to work the Lucania and the Baltic felt their way along by following the signals from the drifting and helpless Republic until they found her.

Even after locating the disabled teamer the Lucania and the Baltic were four hours getting to her. But with the certainty that a hound follows the scent the two ocean greyhounds were able to keep on the trail.

The signals would sometimes be to port and then to starboard, as the Republic zigged and turned and drifted on an ocean of haze. Every hour showed the searching ships they were closer. They were not more than 10 miles off when they picked up the liner through the submarine signals. Changing their course every time the bells indicated and at the same time keeping in touch with each other to avoid an accident, the two continued on until the liner loomed out of the fog.

In the guiding of the liners to her, the signals of the Republic were more effective within the radius of their operation than the wireless would have been, had it continued in operation. The wireless does not reveal the direction from which it comes. The submarine bell, however, is like a call in the dark.

These delicate instruments, which up to now have been used mainly by the liners to pick up the first lightships similarly equipped along the coast, were brought into use a little more than three years ago. Two years ago the White Star line followed the Cunard in their installation.

The principle upon which they are built is that a sound wave under the

water travels at the rate of 4,700 feet a second as against 1,100 feet a second in the air. In thick weather a foghorn or bell can be heard only a short distance. The submarine signals can be heard for ten miles, and have been picked up at 15 miles.

The apparatus that picks up the signal is about the size of a man's hat and is attached to the inner sides of a ship. It is a box filled with chemicals. In the chemicals is a microphone, and from this runs a wire attached to an ordinary telephone receiver on the bridge. The apparatus is in duplicate, one forward on each side of the vessel. The officer on the bridge, with the receivers to his ears, is able to shut off communication from either side.

This apparatus was originally designed to pick up the lightships along the coast, which are equipped with the submarine bell. The bell is an airtight compartment beneath the water and strikes regular signals.

After the ships are equipped with receivers they are equipped with the submarine bell, so that in case they come close to each other in the fog they would be heard. The bell, as the ship moves, and the steady ringing does not conflict with the receiving of signals from lightships on the coast.

After the wireless went out of business on the Republic the bell continued to jangle, and this registered on the Baltic and Lucania. By shutting off the receivers on one side or the other the captains were able to tell which direction the drifting ship was taking, as the sound waves registered only upon the side to which the Republic had drifted.

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## Mr. W. Thomas Discusses Gas Question

The Chronicle had quite an interesting interview with Mr. W. Thomas, Chief Engineer of the Northern Gas and Power Co., who was in this city a few days ago looking over the possibilities of the city as a field for gas enterprise. Mr. Thomas was quite enthusiastic as to the possibilities for the profitable operation of a gas plant.

In the manufacture of gas, Mr. Thomas said, much depends upon the price and quality of the raw material, viz., coal. Ladysmith coal is so good for this purpose, that it is used exclusively by the gas works of Vancouver and Victoria. The supply of this excellent gas coal right at hand, coupled with the many other very favorable conditions of the territory, make the undertaking a very attractive one, and would insure the Ladysmith consumers the cheapest gas in British Columbia.

1. Ladysmith would have a twenty-four hour service of gas for all purposes, lighting, heating, cooking and power uses.

2. Gas is always reliable. Vancouver's supply has not failed once in 21 years.

3. The field of usefulness for power and heating gas is unlimited, and its consumption is increasing enormously each year. Especially is its use growing more and more popular for industrial purposes as it is found to be the cheapest power and heat available.

4. For domestic use, especially for cooling, gas is fast displacing other

fuel by reason of its economy. When not needed, expense is stopped.

There is no ashes, and a housekeeper's work is reduced one-half. Gas is always ready—at any hour a match and a minute boils water. For sickness, for a quick meal at any hour it has no equal. No ashes, soot, or smoke, no dirt and no worry.

To-day in all modern cities gas is used almost entirely. Houses are heated with gas. A gas water heater in the bathroom will heat water instantaneously, at the rate of one gallon per minute, and thus a bath can be ready with water at 120 degrees temperature in 10 minutes, and this at a cost of about four cents.

Many thousands of bathrooms are equipped with these instantaneous appliances.

Gas meters are now used which have the principle of the penny in the slot machines. You put a quarter in and get a quarter's worth of gas, hence doing away with the monthly gas bill. These are especially popular in Great Britain and no doubt would as strongly appeal to Ladysmith consumers.

Many people unaccustomed to the use of gas have an idea it is expensive for such uses as cooking, heating, etc. As a matter of fact this is the most economical of all fuels and a positive boon to the housekeeper. Always ready, clean and quick. With other fuel, coal or wood, we have the loss of over one-half up the chimney, and soot, ashes, work and worry—a great contrast to the ever-ready, clean and efficient gas.

## Will Have Live Game Department

One of the big attractions of the Fay Streak at the Alaska-Yukon-Pacific Exposition will be the Washington State Live Game Exhibit.

Five acres of virgin forest have been set aside for this purpose where the patrons of the exposition will have the opportunity of seeing the rarest collection of game animals ever exhibited in the United States.

Every animal will be catalogued with the owner's name and address, giving those who wish to dispose of their animals an opportunity to place them with an exhibit that will be seen by thousands of visitors from all parts of the world who will daily throng the exposition grounds.

Mr. Arthur Dexter, the assistant director of this department, states that a large number of animals from Alaska, including two cub bears from Kadiak Island, were brought down on the late boats last fall and are waiting to be installed with this exhibit.

## Shoes

English Kip Leather Fit Shoes, \$300 pair.  
Big reduction in Ahren's Celebrated solid Leather Shoes. Every pair is guaranteed to give satisfaction or will be replaced. In Boys' Youths' and Little Gent's. Also in Women's, Misses' and Children's.  
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Sole Agent for Ahren's Shoes. Best Shoe on the market.

REMEMBER THE PLACE:

**John Thomas**  
HIGH STREET.

## Correspondence

A CORRECTION.

(To the Editor.)

Dear Sir:—In noticing my resignation you state that I have been, in poor health for some time, and intend to take a few months rest after I leave Ladysmith. To relieve any possible anxiety please state that my health is quite good, and that I do not intend to take, nor do I need a rest, as I have been offered a desirable appointment by the Presbytery of Victoria and shall proceed to a new field immediately after leaving here. Thanking you for publishing this as well as for past favors, I remain, yours,  
J. McMILLAN.

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To see our Big Showing of  
New Spring Goods Just Opened  
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## CAVIN'S FOOTWEAR STORE

Sole Agent for the Celebrated English "K" Boot.

## Hints for the Home.

Roast Duck—Wild duck roasted and served on toast. Roasted apples with the centres filled with currant jelly are delicious served with roast duck.

Charlotte Russe.—Six eggs, one ounce gelatine, one quart milk. Sweeten to the taste and flavor with vanilla. Pour into egg moulds. Cut sponge cakes in small cubes and serve together with whipped cream, sweetened and flavored with wine.

Rice Puff—One cupful of cold boiled rice, put through potato ricer, add two well beaten eggs, salt to taste; drop by spoonfuls into hot fat fry a light brown; serve with maple syrup for breakfast as a garnish for roast or steak for dinner.

Coffee Spanish Cream—One and one half cupfuls of hot coffee, one-half cupful of milk, one tablespoonful of granulated gelatine, two thirds cupful of sugar, pinch of salt, yolk of two eggs. Cook like a soft custard. When a little cool add the beaten whites of the eggs and one-half teaspoonful of vanilla.

English Tart—A delicious English tart is made by filling a deep dish with sliced baking apples, well sugar ed, covering with a thin, rich paste and baking brown; this is to be eaten fresh, not quite cold, with cream and cheese. Canned apricots drained of their juice may be used instead of apples.

Snowball Cake.—One and one-half cupfuls of sugar, three tablespoonfuls of butter, two-thirds cupful of milk, two cupfuls of flour, three eggs (whites), two even teaspoonfuls of baking powder, one teaspoonful of baker's extract of almond. Cream the butter and sugar, add the egg whites, milk, flour, and baking powder sifted together and then the flavoring. Bake in a square cake pan and frost.

Escaloped Oysters.—Drain the liquor from a pint of oysters and wash them in a bowl of clear water. Put a layer in a small buttered baking dish and cover with bits of butter. Cover with a layer of fine, dry bread crumbs add more seasoning and bits of butter, and proceed with these alternate layers until the oysters are all used. The top layer should be of crumbs and thick enough to hide the oysters. Strain the liquor and pour over it and let stand for a few minutes. Then pour over all one-half cupful of milk and sprinkle generously with bits of butter. Bake for fifteen or twenty minutes until a rich crust is formed all-over.

## Transfer of License.

Notice is hereby given that I intend to make application to the Board of Licensing Commissioners of the City of Ladysmith at their next regular meeting for a transfer of the retail liquor license now held by me on behalf of the premises known as the Columbia Hotel, Ladysmith, B. C., from myself to B. L. Wood and Joseph Teusz.  
CLEMMENT TEO.  
Ladysmith, B. C., Jan. 7, 1909.

## Transfer of License.

Notice is hereby given that it is my intention to apply to the Board of Licensing Commissioners of the City of Ladysmith for a transfer of the wholesale liquor license now held by me in respect to the premises situated upon lot 6, block 72, Ladysmith, from myself to Casarzo and Malenesio.  
SALVINA BARERA BALAGNO.  
Ladysmith, B. C., 15th December, 1908.

## Whitewear! Whitewear! Whitewear!

Our first showing of Ladies', Misses' and children's White Wear is now complete, and we are showing a range of White Wear in regard to

## Price and Quality

You cannot beat. See window for display and more to be found inside. Call in and

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For Special 3 yd. White  
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## James Duncan TAILOR

Suits cleaned and pressed.

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Charges moderate.

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LADYSMITH

## Dissolution of Partnership.

The partnership heretofore existing between the undersigned, carrying on business in the city of Ladysmith as hotel-keepers under the firm name of Senini & Berto, is this day dissolved by mutual consent. James Senini will pay all debts of the partnership and receive all monies due the same.  
JAMES SENINI,  
P. BERTO.  
Ladysmith, B. C., January 27th, 1909.

## Transfer of License.

Notice is hereby given that it is our intention to apply to the Licensing Commissioners of the City of Ladysmith at their next regular meeting for a transfer of the retail liquor license held by us in respect to the premises known as the Extension Hotel, situated upon Lot 1, Block 13, Ladysmith, B. C., from ourselves to James Senini.  
JAMES SENINI,  
PASINI BERTO.  
Ladysmith, January 27th, 1909.

## ESQUIMALT AND NANAIMO RAILWAY

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For Terms apply to

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Cement Sidewalks a specialty.

## Golden West Brand Canned Vegetables

Having purchased a carload of these Vegetables we are in a position to sell a little less than the other fellows.

These goods are A-1 Quality and are packed by the Farmers' Canning Co., Bloomfield, Ont.

- Refugee Beans, 9 tins for \$1.00.
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- Little Gem Peas, 9 tins for \$1.00.
- Early June Peas, 9 tins for \$1.00.
- Sugar Peas, 9 tins for \$1.00.
- Sugar Corn, 9 tins for \$1.90.
- Tomatoes, 2 1/2-lb. tins, 7 tins for \$1.00.
- Pumpkins, 2 1/2-lb. tins, 7 tins for \$1.00.
- Corn on cob, 50c a gallon tin.
- Genuine Ashcroft Potatoes, \$1.00 a sack.

Smoked Fish, Kippers, Boaters, Salmon, Halibut and Finnon Haddies. Always fresh.

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

GEORGE BRUGGY, MANAGER.

## Valentines!

Our stock of Fancy Post Cards and Comic Valentines has arrived and is now on sale.

## Knight's Book Store

The Leading Stationery Store

There will be a basket Social in the Finn Hall, on Feb. 15th, under the auspices of the young people of the Methodist Church. There will be no charge for admission, but baskets will be sold and other refreshments, such as tea, etc. A miscellaneous program will be rendered and a pleasant evening is expected. Doors open at 7.30 p.m.

The committee appointed by the Citizens' League and Board of Trade met last night and agreed upon a line of action with regard to transportation and freight rates. A committee consisting of Messrs. D. Nicholson, R. B. Dier and John Blair was appointed to bring the matter to the attention of Mr. Marpole.

Fifty years ago to-day, February 10, 1859, the first missionaries of the Methodist Church landed in Victoria B. C. Six of the original party of eleven are still alive.

The service in the Methodist church Sunday evening, Feb. 14, will take the form of an open meeting. There will be 15 minutes of sacred song service. The pastor will speak of the beginning of Methodism in British Columbia. A number of the official members will also address the congregation. Special music by the choir. All welcome.

R. WILKINSON, Pastor.

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Two Shows Each Night

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Admission: 10 and 15 Cents

Run on Same Circuit as Nanaimo Opera House

## Local and General

Hot Tomatoes every evening at Hooper's 15c, 2 for 25c.

For Garden Seeds go to the Drug Store.

The books and safe of the corporation have been moved from Mr. Stewart's office to the city hall.

Use Na Dru Herb Tablets. At the Ladysmith Pharmacy.

There will be a meeting Thursday evening to form a branch of the Island Development League Association.

If you want a good Comb or Brush call at the Drug Store.

Fine English Pork Pies, fresh made daily at Hooper's, Gatacre street. Try one.

Dr. Frost and Mrs Frost, when last heard from, were at Pasadena, Cal.

It is stated that a gent's furnishing store will be opened in the new Bickle building on Gatacre street about March 1st.

Mr. P. G. Noot has returned from Vancouver. His father was buried at that place last Saturday, from the home of his daughter, Mrs. S. R. Stephens.

The officers of the Orphans Male Voice Party have secured the services of Prof. Harvey, as violin accompanist at the Grand Concert which they are preparing to give in Ladysmith on the evening of the 27th inst. This move will be an assurance of still greater success and when the excellent train arrangements which the committee have secured, are taken into consideration, a most brilliant success in every way can be confidently expected.—Free Press.

On Sunday last the Rev. G. M. Ambrose, M. A., preached his first sermon in the St. John's Mission Church. The large congregations at morning and evening service were deeply impressed with the earnestness and eloquence of the new incumbent, and are looking forward to enlarged congregations, and a period of prosperity generally. Mr. Ambrose is a decided acquisition to the town, and will be found on the side of those who are trying to raise the moral and social welfare of the residents. There will be a reception at the church on Friday evening next, and a very enjoyable time is promised those who attend.

## Monthly Report A. and B. Fund

Benefits paid by A. and B. Fund for month ending Jan. 31st 1909.

George Smith.....	\$ 31 00
John Tapella.....	9 00
John Little.....	9 00
Owen Dalbe.....	11 00
Robb Smith.....	11 00
M. Zissak.....	7 00
George Hughes.....	19 00
A. Decon.....	6 00
John Michie.....	6 00
Henry Michie.....	13 00
W. Siler.....	11 00
W. Russell.....	5 00
E. Lowe.....	5 00
Death claim Wm. Cope.....	300 00
	\$443 00

## The Weather Has Broken

Now is the time to renovate those rooms. Do not leave it off till the rush comes on, or you may meet with a little delay.

Call and see our elegant designs and colorings for, 1909.

HARRY KAY, First Avenue

## Big Shoe Specials

## See Our Window

Men's Dongola Box Calf, etc., leather lined. Regular \$5 and 5.50 for \$3.95 a pair.

Men's Hong Vici Kid, etc. Regular \$4.75 and 4.50 for \$3.45 a pair.

Men's Dongola Bench. Reg. \$3.75 for \$2.75 a pair.

Woman's Dongola and Vici Bench, Pat. Toe. Reg. \$3.00 and 3.50 for \$2.25 a pair.

Boys' Heavy Grain Waterproof School Shoe. Reg. \$2.75 a pair for \$2.00 a pair.

## W. E. Morrison Williams Block

Try Na Dru Charcoal Tablets for Dyspepsia. At the Drug Store.

Work on the new cement sidewalk along the First Avenue side of the Stevens building commenced yesterday. It will be a great improvement to that side of First Avenue.

## John Pogorly's Bowling Alley

A prize of \$3 will be given to the one making the highest score in ten sheets.

Now is the time to practice for the Yukon Alaska and Seattle expositions, which give a grand prize of \$10,000 to the best forty teams. It pays to be a good bowler.

Learn now while you have a first class bowling alley, Good lights. Come in and inspect.

John Pogorly, Ladysmith, B. C.

## Clearing Out Sales Commencing Saturday, Feb. 6

100 doz. White Dinner and Soup Plates at 75c per doz.

50 doz. Blue and Green Dinner and Soup Plates at 75c per doz.

45 doz. Willow Pattern Dinner and Soup Plates at \$1.00 per doz.

60 doz. Vegetable Side Dishes at 75c per doz.

## A Snap in Toilet Sets

12 Sets, regular price \$2.50. Our price, \$1.75 sett.

Watch this space from week to week as we are determined to reduce our stock and we offer weekly snaps.

These reductions in price are for CASH ONLY.

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Start the new year right and have your watch overhauled. Just think of it, the balance of your watch makes about 18,000 vibrations per hour, for every hour of the year; that it rotates on pivots only .05 millimeters in diameter, or about the equal of a good sized human hair, also that all the oil it can retain for running purposes is about the one one-thousandth of a drop.

Give the watch a chance and have it thoroughly overhauled. Always go to the best man, as cheap work on such delicate mechanism as that if a watch is always dear in the long run, and usually causes ruin. We do all kinds of repairs, from the converting of the key winder into a stem winder to the ordinary work of cleaning, Etc. None but the best materials used. We have not only served the usual apprenticeship at our trade, but have also had the advantage of a thorough study of the watch and scientific mechanics, at the Canadian Horological Institute, acknowledged the best on the American Continent, a place where every part of a watch is made by hand under the direction of experts. Now, is not one who has had this training, more capable of thoroughly repairing your watch than one who knows little or nothing about the principles involved, who just picked his trade up, as so many have. All we ask is a fair trial. Our prices are correct, and the work fully guaranteed. We can make and repair any part of a watch from barrel to balance.

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## LACE CURTAINS

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3 1-2 yards long, 50 in. wide, beautiful flower effect, good wearing net. Only 95c per pair.

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One of the newest Curtains, length 3 yards, width 60 in. Two patterns to choose from. Very pretty designs, and the price \$1.35 per pair. Be in time as they are quick sellers.