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Board of Trade Elects Officers

The annual general meeting of the Ladysmith Board of Trade was held last Thursday evening in Mr. John Stewart's office.

There was a very good attendance and a great many important matters were under consideration.

After the minutes had been read and approved, the following new members were declared elected: Dr. Dier, Geo. Wilson and D. M. Carley.

The following officers were elected for the ensuing year:

President—J. A. Blair.
Vice-president—John Bickle.
Secretary-treasurer—John Stewart.
Executive Committee — Nicholson, Dier, Wilson and Rolston.

The expenses of the delegations to Victoria and Vancouver, amounting $30.75, were ordered paid.

Mr. Nicholson reported the result of the conference between the delegation and the C. P. R. officials at Vancouver, and referred particularly to the assistance given by Mr. Heaps, president of the Vancouver Board of Trade. Mr. Marpole told the delegation that nothing could be done with regard to transportation until the return of Capt. Troup.

The secretary was instructed to write to the Vancouver Board of Trade and express thanks for the aid given by the president to the Ladysmith delegation.

Messrs. Rolston and Bickle were appointed an auditing committee to examine the accounts and report at next meeting.

Many questions affecting the welfare of Ladysmith were discussed, and the sentiment was benerally expressed that the time had now arrived when the Board must pursue an aggressive policy.

Bad Coins Worth More than Genuine

The unusual occurrence of a counterfeit coin bringing far more than the value it was originally intended to represent by its makers took place recently when a curious Spanish doubloon of Charles IV of Spain, dated 1801, was sold for $60 at a sale of old coins at the Collectors' club, in New York.

The coin was of excellent workmanship, and there was really no striking difference between it and the genuine. But instead of being struck in gold it was composed of platinum of the purest quality, which had been gilded.

The intrinsic value of the Spanish doubloon in gold is just over $15. The platinum counterfeit weighs 420 grains, which, at the prevailing market rate, would give this piece an intrinsic value of about $17.50.

Platinum was a favorite metal with counterfeiters some years ago, when its intrinsic value was about $7 an ounce. Many spurious $10 and $20 United States gold pieces were turned out composed chiefly of this metal. The coins of Great Britain were also tampered with in the same manner.

Spanish coins have been much counterfeited, perhaps more than coins of any other country. Even at the present time Spain is redeeming counterfeit five-peseta pieces. These coins were made by private persons and were equal to the regular government coins in point of fineness and weight, the manufacturers being satisfied with the seignorage or difference between the face value of the coin and its value in bullion silver.

So difficult are these illegal coins to distinguish from the genuine that the government has authorized their redemption at bullion value. It is said that but little distinction has been made in Spain between the regular issue and the counterfeits, the two issues being accepted freely everywhere, and it is declared that it is not at all unlikely that a fair proportion of the 600,000,000 five-peseta pieces held in reserve by the Bank of Spain is made up of the counterfeit coins.

Some years ago when silver had a much higher value than at present a counterfeit Mexican dollar came into the possession of the United States assayers at the Philadelphia mint. They assayed the coin and found it to be worth intrinsically about $1.50. It seems that the mine from which the counterfeiters got their metal produced silver that was strong in gold. Thus the forgers lost money by making counterfeits.

Mr. Richard Copeland died suddenly in Vancouver last week. Many of the old-timers will remember Mr. Copeland as he worked for Mr. Anderson as blacksmith on the new townsite at Wellington for three years. Mr. Copeland was prominently identified with the Mount Pleasant Methodist Church. He leaves a widow and four daughters to mourn their loss.

Shipping Intelligence

The steamer "Titania" arrived last night for a full load of coal. She brought up 17 mules for the company at Cumberland. They left for their new home this morning in charge of James Lowden and C. Thompson.

Captain Stanley Shotton, well known here as the genial skipper of the Steamship Quito has just joined and taken command of the large Weir liner Suveric, 6150 net tons The many friends of Captain Stanley will be pleased to hear that he is in these waters again, and wish him the best kind of luck with his new vessel, Captain William Shotton, late Captain of the Suveric, goes home to take command of one of the new Weir steamers just building.

Vessels coaling at the wharves during the week: Trader, Erin, Stetson and Scow, Otter, Albion, Celtic, Czar and Scow, Nanoose, Sadie and Scow, Boyden, Bermuda, St. Dennis, Canadian, Queen City, Imp, Clayburn and Scows, Henriette, Burrard, Princess May, Ivanhoe, Princess Beatrice, Queen, Tyee, Selkirk.

TIDE TABLES FOR LADYSMITH HARBOR, MARCH 1909.

MARCH.	TIME	HEIGHT	TIME	HEIGHT	TIME	HEIGHT	TIME	HEIGHT
1, Monday	3.09	11 9	8.3	9.9	11.59	10.6	20.07	2.4
2, Tuesday	4.06	12.4	10.0	9.6	13.03	10.2	20.58	2.4
3, Wednesda	4.48	12.7	10.4	9.1	14.12	10.0	21.42	2.5
4, Thursday	5.19	12.7	11.1	8.6	15.15	10.0	22.19	2.7
5, Friday	5.44	12.7	11.4	8.0	16.11	10.1	22.52	3.0
6, Saturday	6.05	12.5	12.0	7.3	17.02	10.2	23.24	3.4
7, Sunday	6.24	12 3	12.3	6.7	17.50	10.3	23.57	3.9
8, Monday	6.43	12.1	12.5	6.1	18.36	10.4		
9, Tuesday	0.31	4.5	7.0	11.9	13.28	5.6	19.24	10 4
10, Wednesday	1.06	5.3	7.2	11.8	13.59	5.0	20.15	10.3
11, Thursday	1.43	6.1	7.4	11.1	14.33	4.5	21.10	10.2
12, Friday	2.22	7.6	8.0	11.4	15.12	4.1	22.12	10.0
13, Saturday	3.4	8.0	8.3	11.3	15.58	3.7	23.30	10.1
14, Sunday	3.56	8.9	9.0	11.2	16.55	3.3		
15, Monday	1.09	10.3	5.0	9.6	9.47	11.0	17.57	2.9
16, Tuesday	2.25	10.9	6.4	9.9	10.46	10.9	19.01	2.4
17, Wednesday	3.14	11 5	8.1	9.7	12.14	10.7	20.02	2.0
18, Thursday	3.50	12.1	9.1	9 0	13.42	10.8	20.59	1.7
19, Friday	4.22	12.5	10.0	7.8	15.01	11.2	21.52	1.6
20, Saturday	4.53	12.9	10.5	6.7	16.09	11.7	22.40	1.9
21, Sunday	5.24	13.1	11.3	5.4	17.12	12.0	23.27	2.5
22, Monday	5.56	13.2	12.1	4.2	18.12	12.2		
23, Tuesday	0.14	3.5	6.2	13.0	12.55	3.2	19.14	12 2
24, Wednesday	1.02	4.7	7.0	12.8	13.40	2.4	20.17	12.1
25, Thursday	1.53	6.0	8 3	12 4	14.28	2.0	21.23	11.0
26, Friday	2.48	7.3	8.0	11.8	15.19	1.9	22.34	11.8
27, Saturday	3.51	8.5	8.4	11.2	16.13	2.0	23.52	11.7
28, Sunday	5.05	9.2	9.2	10.5	17.14	2.4		
29, Monday	1.18	11.8	7.1	9.4	10.10	9.7	18.24	2.8
30, Tuesday	2.34	12.0	9.3	8.0	11.42	9.1	19.27	3.3
31, Wednesday	3.28	12.2	10.1	8.3	13.27	8.7	20.24	3.6

The time used is Pacific Standard, for the 120th Meridian West. The figures for height serve to distinguish high water from low water.

Local and General News Notes

Mr. J. W. Coburn came down from Nanaimo this morning and returned on the noan train.

A sailor belonging to the U. S. revenue cutter Manning deserted at this port and the men of the boat have been looking for him all day.

The dance given last evening in the Opera House by the Knights of Pythias was well attended, and those present thoroughly enjoyed themselves. Dancing was kept up till three o'clock this morning.

It is rumored that a vaudeville show will be started in Ladysmith within the next few weeks. The big attendance at the picture shows induces the belief that a vaudeville house would make some money.

The dance given by the band in their new hall on Wednesday evening was well patronized, and was a success also in other respects. There will be another dance in the same place on the evening of the 27th inst.

Just as soon as the C. P. R. lands are on the market there will be several new houses erected. A number of people are waiting to buy some of the blocks and are disappointed on account of the delay in surveying the lands.

William Hayes met with a painful accident at the mine this week. He had been shunting one of the cars when it met with an obstruction and tumbled over on top of him. He sustained a severe fracture of the ribs, but will be at work again in a few days.

The Provincial government is considering the erection of a fine wharf at Prince Rupert. It will be located near Market square on a valuable section of the waterfront held by the government. This is regarded as the most valuable piece of waterfront in Prince Rupert.

Two sailors belonging to the revenue cutter Manning gave an exhibition of pugilism in front of the Europe hotel last evening. It is doubtful if the ladies who were on First avenue at the time enjoyed the spectacle, and it certainly seems as if this sort of thing should be stopped.

The roller rink which has been running under new management for the last month will probably close tonight as Mr. Heinel is expecting to leave soon but as yet is not certain, so you had better come to-night for it may be your last skate, so don't take chance and miss it.

The council is holding a special meeting this afternoon to discuss the sewer situation. Mr. Hugh McDonald, the contractor, and Mr. F. A. Devereaux, civil engineer, are giving the aldermen the benefit of their advice, and it is quite likely some definite arrangement will be reached within a few days.

Miss Belfry, the telegraph operator for the C. P. R. here, has obtained a three months' leave of absence, and leaves for her home in Vancouver tomorrow evening. Mr. Harry Williams will preside at the key during Miss Belfry's absence. Harry is well known on the road as he was station agent at Duncans for some years.

Many of the citizens are taking advantage of the present fine weather to get their gardens in shape. No city in British Columbia is more favorably located than Ladysmith for the cultivation of flowers. Some one suggested a short time ago that Ladysmith should have an annual flower show and the idea is one that could be put into effect with benefit to those who would take part in it and the citizens generally.

There was a meeting of the shareholders of the McIntyre Foundry Company at Russell's Hall last evening, and the affairs and future prospects of the business were thoroughly discussed. It was the general impression of those present that the company had a very bright future, and only a little more stock will need to be sold to extend the capacity of the works to the point when it will be possible to carry on profitably any new business offering.

The last of the five government buildings at the Alaska-Yukon-Pacific exposition will be finished by May 1, according to C. F. Cramer, supervising architect employed by the treasury department to oversee the work. The fisheries and Philippine buildings are already finished and the Hawaiian and Alaska buildings will be ready for installing exhibits within two weeks. When the exposition opens every part of the government exhibit will be in place and the buildings will be finished in every particular.

The Ladysmith Opera House has been crowded with well pleased audiences every night this week. The picture of the Spanish Bull Fight is a most realistic production, and was applauded by those present. There were several other pictures, all of an interesting character. Mr. Joynes had a new solo, "Asleep in the Deep," and was deservedly applauded. For next week Mr. Cole promises a programme of unusual excellence, and there will be several new songs by Mr. Joynes.

The Toronto city council recently engaged Rudolph Herring and J. D. Watson, sewerage experts from England and the States, to pass upon the extensive plans under consideration there. This course was adopted owing to the strong statements of the British royal commission with reference to septic tanks, which formed part of the Toronto scheme. The experts have advised that the septic tank plan as recommended may be carried out providing the tanks are equipped with electric pumps which will clean the chambers daily, the refuse being removed to another locality. It is also advised that the sewers be extended 1500 feet farther into the lake.

The Novelty Theatre has been well attended every night this week. The picture of Life in the Soudan was very realistic, and a useful lesson in the care of children is taught in the Nursery picture. Beginning next Monday night there will be a new series of pictures. The programme includes "Captured by Telephone," "Lady Jane's Flight," "Runaway Mother-in-Law," and "The Padrone." The latter is the story of a little girl carried off by an organ-grinder. It tells of the various vicissitudes incidental to her life as a travelling companion of the organ-grinder and her final rescue. Altogether the programme is one that should attract a large crowd. The songs will be "Just for You" and "Only a Tear-Stained Message."

As announced previously the teachers of the public school have arranged with the famous Williams' Original Dixie Jubilee Singers to give a concert in the Opera House on Monday, April 5th, in aid of the public school library. The citizens of Ladysmith will therefore have an opportunity of giving deserved encouragement to the the teachers in their efforts to provide good reading matter for the children, and at the same time to have a good evening's entertainment. The company consists of a double quartette and enjoy a continental reputation of being the best company of its kind on the road today. Various school children are selling the tickets for general admission, (50 cents) and reserved seats can be secured at Knight's Book Store for 25 cents extra.

The Saturday Sunset, of Vancouver, has a long story this week of a new daily paper to be started in Victoria by J. S. Matson, and to be edited by William Blakemore. The paper is to be known as the Evening Post. Mr. Blakemore is a very religious gentleman, and in his capacity as editor of the new daily paper will do much to purify journalism in this Province. Speaking of the requirements of an editor of a paper such as is aimed at by Messrs. Matson and Blakemore, the Sunset says: "He must be capable of towering righteous rage upon occasion and it must be fully as real as thunder and lightning made on the stage. He must be a man of broad sympathies and ever willing to extend advice to feeble virtue in erring men and women. He must upon a moment's notice be able to turn his office into a chapel wherein he may listen to the penitent tale of tempted and frail humanity—the frailer the better." All these qualifications Mr. Blakemore possesses, and many more.

There was an interesting case before Judge Harrison last Thursday. It will be remembered that about eighteen months ago Alex. Brasika had his hands badly burnt in the mine. Since that time he has been drawing $50 per month from the company. For the past two or three months the company has been inclined to believe that Mr. Braiska was able to do light work, and should not continue longer to be a charge on the company. Dr. Williams, who made an examination of Braiska, gave it as his professional opinion that he was able to do light work, so it was determined to discontinue the monthly payment of $50. To this Brasika demurred, and the matter came up in court last Thursday. After hearing the evidence on both sides, Judge Harrison decided that Brasika should go so work at lamp cleaning, a job which the company agreed to give him. He will receive more money than he was getting during his lay-off although it will be less than he earned while working in the mine.

B. and A. Teams Will Play To-morrow

April 4th will see the crack California team in action on the Sports Grounds with the Ladysmith seniors. The game promises to be a good one and local sports are looking forward withinterest for the match.

To-morrow on the Sports Grounds the local B and A second division teams will meet for the first time in the Island league fixtures. The game should be a nice one, as there is good-natured rivalry between these teams. It is impossible to get the line-up of both teams for this issue, but there is no doubt both sides will have their strongest men. Andy Hailstones will officiate.

Owing to the smallpox in Nanaimo the United team will play no more games until conditions improve. Victoria were to meet Nanaimo in the Coal City to-day but as the game is off the Victoria team play a friendly game with Duncan in the Farm city. The Duncan team is a good one and the locals here are arranging a game with them in the near future.

Interesting Collection of Addresses

The Canadian Club has published a volume containing the addresses delivered before it since its inauguration on Christmas Day, 1906, when His Excellency Earl Grey, was the guest of honor and delivered a very eloquent address. In all there are twenty-four speeches. The publication is a very important one because it brings within the reach of the general public in a convenient form, all the addresses delivered before the club. Many of these have great literary value and in the future will be invested with an historic interest which cannot be well computed in our day. They will throw important sidelights upon the life and problems and point of view of the present to the historian of the future. Among the speakers whose thoughts are recorded in this little volume before the members of the Canadian Club are Lord Grey, Lord Milner, Rudyard Kipling, Sir Wm. Mulock, Hon. Frank Oliver, W. L. Mackenzie King, Hon. R. L. Borden, Sir Mackenzie Bowell, A. C. Flummerfelt, Mrs. Humphrey Ward, Walter Moberly and various others, each one of whom has contributed some valuable thought upon topics of present day interest. The book also contains a short history of the club. F. C. Wade, K. C., was the first president, J. J. Banfield was the second and J. N. Ellis is the present presiding officer.—Saturday Sunset.

Mr. R. Marpole Has Little to Say

Mr. R. Marpole and Mr. H. E. Beasley spent a few hours in the city last Thursday evening and a delegation consisting of Messrs. Stewart, Dier and Nicholson and Geo. Wilson met them in their car previous to their departure for Nanaimo. As a matter of fact the car was held for a few minutes for the purpose of discussing a few questions with the Ladysmith delegation.

The first subject was the matter of double train service, and with regard to this Mr. Marpole informed the delegation that the matter was under consideration and he believed would be resumed within a short time. As to the placing of a boat on the run between here and Vancouver, he could say little. Capt. Troup would have to be consulted, and in fact the carrying out of the proposal remained wholly with the captain. Mr. marpole evidently thinks that the citizens of Ladysmith should grant a subsidy for such a service.

As to the sale of the lands lately cleared, Mr. Marpole said they would be placed on the market just as soon as the logs were taken off. The company, he said, was anxious to get the land on the market, and were greatly disappointed at the delay caused by the clearing.

Duncan May Become A Tourist Resort

Superintendent Marpole of the E. & N. arrived in Duncan Wednesday morning in his private car, the Brunswick, and after going over portions of the projected Cowichan Lake branch line, left on Thursday afternoon for Nanaimo.

Interviewed by the Leader representative, Mr. Marpole stated that he would at once have that portion of land lying between the station and Government street crossing, fenced and laid out into gardens by the company's landscape gardener. The plot will be planted with native shrubs, and a fountain constructed.

Asked as to the ravine at the north end of the station building Mr. Marpole said that this would be filled in shortly, but probably not before a new station was constructed here, at a point a little north of the present station. He had no doubt that greatly improved switching accommodations would be afforded at Duncan when this is done.

Mr. Marpole was greatly impressed with the future prospects of this district as a tourist resort and it would be the policy of his company to coax all the tourist trade possible over the E. & N. line, and the district would profit to a great extent from this cause.

Construction work on the proposed Cowichan Lake branch will undoubtedly be vigorously pushed this summer.—Cowichan Leader.

Church Services.

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.

CHURCH OF ENGLAND.

Morning service 11 a. m., Sunday school 2:30 p. m., evening service 7 Rev. G. M. Ambrose, M. A. rector.

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Editorial Comment.

The British army council has decided that Canada may nominate a candidate half-yearly for commission in the army medical corps.

Jack Johnson will be deprived of his expected enthusiartic welcome in Texas. That State has a law against miscegenation, and the fact that the champion has a white wife will make it a crime for him to live with her in the Lone Star State.

The Vancouver World is a wonderful paper. One day it makes charges based on idle rumors, and the day following corrects its errors. Between misrepresentations and false charges the World is never without some topic of interest to the general reader.

The Admiralty has decided on a new type of battleship outdistancing the Dreadnought type amost as far as the latter outdistanced its predecessors. The new ship will be a veritable movable fortress, able to move all its heavy guns in a complete circle, and fire all of them on either broadside.

Earl Grey refused patronage to a concert given at Ottawa by the Irishmen of that city on St. Patrick's evening. His reason was that a Governor-General must be neutral when politics are introduced. Lord Dufferin, a former Governor-General, would not have hesitated in patronizing an Irish concert.

The joint meeting at the city hall next Thursday night to arrange the preliminaries for a hospital association should be well attended. It is particularly desirable that there should be a large representation of ladies at this meeting, as a great portion of the work will have to be done by them. No doubt the ladies of Ladysmith, like their sisters elsewhere, will take the lead in the hospital movement.

Mr. H. G. Beasley, formerly superintendent of the Pacific coast division, and for some months past in charge of general construction and operation on the E. & N. railway, has been appointed superintendent of construction and operation on the E. [illegible] will be officially announced in a day or two. Mr. Beasley will thus be the chief C. P. R. official on Vancouver Island and will have entire control of all lines on the island.

Mr. Martin Burrell, the member for Yale-Cariboo, is determined to place the Government on record with regard to deferred elections. He has introduced a resolution in the Commons declaring against deferred elections and favoring one day for polling in all constituencies. In the last election in Yale-Cariboo it is quite likely that the deferred election worked to the disadvantage of the Government candidate. The voters were disgusted with the policy of the Government in this regard and so declared themselves at the polls.

It cannot be said that the result of the interview with Mr Marpole Thursday evening was altogether satisfactory. Mr. Marpole seems to be indefinite as to what the C. P. R. will do with regard to the boat service, although he has admitted that the double train service is under consideration. It seems to many that there may be outside influences at work to deprive Ladysmith of the consideration from the railway company to which she is entitled. The railway company has been given the first opportunity to put on the boat between here and Vancouver, and if it does not feel that it can supply the demand it remains with the citizens to turn to some other quarter for redress.

It is quite possible that there will have to be some slight changes in the sewer plans before construction commences. It seems that the plans as they have been prepared by Mr. Mohun will cost too much to carry out, and that the sum already voted will be inadequate to complete the work. This, however, will not be an insurmountable obstacle. The best available opinion seems to be that there can be many modifications made that will greatly reduce the cost of construction. While it is desirable that operations should commence at once, care must be taken to have a perfect understanding of what the city is to receive for the money expended. As long as the changes do not materially affect the stability and efficiency of the work there will be no complaint from any source, but it is essential that there should be as little delay as possible in reaching a definite arrangement.

"When the individual increases the functional activity the formative diminishes," Dr. Max G. Schlapp, professor at the Cornell University Medical School, told the women members of the Fashionable Colony club while lecturing on Woman Suffrage and the Pathological Condition of Society, to probably the most fashionable audience of women in New York city. Mr. Schlapp described the three activities of a cell organism, and added: "Society is a living organism, of which the men and women are the cells. Any disturbance of the correlation is a pathological condition. Women are becoming more and more active. They seem about to assume the suffrage. The sex is already overburdened. The curves on statistical tables show a tremendous decrease in the birth rate since 1907. Other curves show an increase in insanity and nervous diseases. The lesson is that the three life processes have been disturbed and an acute pathological condition exists."

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NOTICE OF EXAMINATIONS.

Notice is hereby given that Examinations will be held for 1st, 2nd and 3rd Class Certificates of Competency, under the provisions of the "Coal Mines Regulation Act," at Nanaimo, Fernie, Cumberland and Coutlee, on the 6th, 7th and 8th days of April, 1909, commencing at nine o'clock in the forenoon.

The subjects will be as follows:

First Class Candidates.	Second Class Candidates.	Third Class Candidates.
Mining Act and Special Rules. Mine Gases Ventilation General Work Mine Machinery Surveying.	Mining Act and Special Rules. Mine Gases Ventilation General Work	Mining Act and Special Rules. Mine Gases and General Work

Application must be made to the undersigned not later than Saturday, March 27th, 1909, accompanied by the statutory fee, as follows:—

By an applicant for First Class Examination $10 00

By an applicant for Second Class Examination 10 00

By an applicant for Third Class Examination..... 5 00

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(b.) If a candidate for Second Class that he has had at least five years' experience in or about the practical working of a coal mine:

(c.) If a candidate for Third Class, that he has had at least three years' experience in or about the practical working of a coal mine:

(d.) A candidate for a Certificate of Competency as manager, Overman, Shiftboss, Fireboss, or Shotlighter, shall produce a certificate from a duly qualified medical practitioner showing that he has taken a course in ambulance work fitting him, the said candidate, to give first aid to persons injured in coal mining operations.

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10 qrt Cooking Pots, 85c each.
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Pie Plates, white, 10c each.
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Hand Mugs, 2 for 25c.
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Cakes of every description, fanc and plain. Candies of all kinds Fruit of all kinds. Fresh bread ever dal.
Reasonable prices. Come and se our lines and leave your orders. W give careful attention.

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Gives Dance Every Two Weeks.
For full particulars, apply
W. M. ALLISTER, Sec.

DOG TAX.

The Dog Tax for the year 1909 is now due and payable to the City Clerk at the City Hall. If not paid forthwith the law will be enforced with regard to delinquents.

N. A. MORRISON,
City Clerk.

New Hats

Your hat is here—the right shape and style to suit your face and height—for no one style is becoming to every man.
We have both soft and derbys in

Strachan Hats

which blend in harmonious and elegant degree thestyle features of the season.
These are pre-eminently the hats for young men and are genuinely good quality throughout.
Also new lot of Shoes in different styles, and new lines of Shirts in different styles and shades, and they are dandies.

J. J. Thomas

Join Our Circulating Library

We have a large number of books by the best Old Country Authors including:
Guy Thorne, Max Pemberton, Robt. Louis Stevenson, Quiller Couch, Chas. Eddy, and others.

McKELVIE BROS.,

FOR STATIONERY.
First Avenue, Ladysmith

How Much Timber Have We?

How much timber is there in Canada? A recent estimate gives six hundred billion feet. This seems an enormous quantity, but it would last a very short time if Canada were generally drawn upon for a timber supply; at their present rate of consumption the United States alone would consume that quantity in about fifteen years.

As a matter of fact few reliable data exist from which it is possible to estimate Canada's forest resources. Even the number of acres of timber land in this country is not known with any degree of accuracy, and even the experts disagree widely, though they unite in placing it considerably below former estimates.

The present is just the time for Canada to "take stock" of her timber resources, not to mention her other natural wealth. Her natural resources have not yet been dissipated to a very large extent, and if Canadians now secure an estimate of their wealth in natural resources, they can, by economical use of them, avoid much of the waste such as other nations have made.

For many years the United States has lavishly distributed its national wealth. But during the past few years thoughtful men in that nation have begun to see that they must economize. As a result, after a conference of governors of the several states, scientific experts, leaders in commerce and transportation and some others, in May last, President Roosevelt appointed a "Conservation Commission" to make a thorough investigation of the national resources contained in the forests, the mines, the soil and the streams (both for water supply and for transportation). The commission has since then been at work, and during the second week of December reported at a meeting similar to the one preceding their appointment.

In order to afford a fair chance for the economical administration of Canada's forests, a similar inventory of her timber wealth should be made. Present ideas of the amount of timber in the Dominion are based almost entirely on the reports of those who have travelled along the chief waterways. Men who have gone in some distance from the streams report that the timber becomes much smaller and more scattered as one gets away from the river. This is the cases, indeed, in all forests.

What is needed is a systematic exploration of the whole unexplored region, (the country at a distance from streams as well as that along the water-courses) by men familiar with the work of estimating timber. Full and accurate reports of such explorations will serve to clear up much misconception regarding the extent and amount of Canada's forest land, just as the explorations made in Northern Ontario in 1900 cleared up the ideas formerly held as to the value of Ontario's timberland.

Ladysmith Music Store

Phonographs
Gramophones.
Agent for Singer Sewing Machine and Sharples' Separators.

A. E. PALMER
FIRST AVENUE

Dissolution of Partnership.

The partnership heretofore existing between the undersigned carrying on business as Hotelkeepers at the City of Ladysmith is this day dissolved by mutual consent.

Joseph Teusz will pay all debts and receive all moneys due to the partnership.

JOS TEUSZ,
R. L. WOOD,
Ladysmith, B. C., 23 Feb., 1909.

NOTICE.

During my absence from the city Hugh Thornley will hold my power of attorney.

FOR SALE.—At a snap, a good Stanley piano, in good condition. Apply to H. Thornley.

MARK CHURCHILL.

The King's Daily Letter Bag

The daily letter bag delivered to his majesty contains on an average close on 500 letters. The royal letterbag is sent to Buckingham palace seven times a day by a special messenger from the general post office, and special arrangements exist for sorting and clearing the lettess for his majesty.

The first letterbag is delivered at Buckingham palace at 7 a. m., which is at once taken in hand by two clerks of the household, and the mail is divided into two classes—private and official, all letters not marked private being included in the latter class.

They are then sent to be dealt with by Lord Knollys and the assistant private secretaries. Each letter, as it is opened, is impressed with a rubber stamp bearing the royal crown, and initialled by the secretary who opens it. The name and address of the writer and the business to which each letter refers to is entered in the daily letter book, and the entire correspondence then sorted into two classes, termed home official and foreign official. Letters which do not come under either denomination—such as begging letters, letters seeking the King's patronage for various charitable enterprises, letters from inadmerable cranks, and others of a like character—are sorted into a separate class, termed miscellaneous correspondence.

All these, together with the unopened correspondence marked private are then sent to the king's private writing room before 11 o'clock, at which hour his majesty, with Lord Knollys usually goes through the letters.

Letters of a purely personal character, from intimate friends his majesty replies to himself.

Not included in the regular mail delivery are the despatches daily sent to his majesty from the treasury, home and foreign offices. These are enclosed in a square, red leather case, with a white enamelled tablet bearing the words, "From the treasury"—or whatever office may be—"to his majesty the king." Only the chief of the office it is sent from and the private secretary, into whose hands it is always personally delivered, can unlock the case.

The mails that arrive at Buckingham palace throughout the day are sorted and classified in the manner already described as they come in, but they are not dealt with or seen by the king until the following morning, unless they contain matter of extreme urgency.

When the king is absent from London, the letters are sent in the usual manner to Buckingham palace from the general post office, and taken by special messenger twice a day to wherever the king may be staying. This applies, however, to only official correspondence; letters marked private are despatched in a special bag from the general post office direct to his majesty. There is one way in which letters addressed to the king are treated differently from all other mail matter. They are always sent to the general post office in London and pass through no other distributing point.

When his majesty is abroad, a king's messenger is sent once a day wherever the king may be with the mails delivered at Buckingham palace. They are opened and sorted before being sent from the palace, and any letters on urgent matters are telegraphed.

At whatever place the king may be staying, it is always connected with the nearest telegraph office by specially-laid wire, so that telegraphic despatches for his majesty are delivered practically the instant they are received.

No letter written by the king or queen need be stamped, nor need any letter written by a member of the royal household on their majesties' business have a stamp; but it is a strict rule that members of the household must stamp their private letters.

PROVINCIAL BOARD OF HEALTH

Special Regulations for the Prevention of Spread of Small-pox in the City of Nanaimo.

1. It is hereby directed that all schools, churches, theatres and public places of amusement in the District embraced in the City of Nanaimo shall be forthwith closed, and be kept closed, until these regulations are rescinded.
2. Any person who in any way having any control of any school, church, theatre, or any public place of amusement in said City of Nanaimo, opens, or authorises, or permits the opening of the same while these regulations are in force, shall be guilty of an offence and be punishable in the manner prescribed by *sub-section (2) of section 97 of* the "Health Act."
3. Every person who resorts to any school, church, theatre, or any public place of amusement, in said City of Nanaimo, whilst these regulations are in force, shall be guilty of an offence and be punishable in the manner prescribed by sub-section (2) of section 97 of the "Health Act."

CHAS. J. FAGAN, M. D.,
Secretary, Board of Health.

By Command,
HENRY ESSON YOUNG,
Provincial Secretary.

Provincial Secretary's Office,
Victoria, 9th March, 1909.

NOTICE

I, the undersigned, J. W. Wallace, intend to apply in thirty days to the Commisioner of Lands for the privilege to lease the following described lands for oyster culture: Starting one and a half chains from D. Page's s. w. corner post, running twelve chains from a post marked J. W. Wallace's s. e. corner in a northerly direction, thence in a westerly direction eighteen chains, thence in a southerly direction twelve chains, thence in an easterly direction eighteen chains to point of commencement, containing twenty acres.

J. W. WALLACE,
Ladysmith, B. C., March 15th, 1909.

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Surgeon Dentist
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700 Pairs of Sample Shoes Go on Sale Friday Morning

AT

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We bought the complete set of F. J. Weston and Sons' Spring Samples. All kinds of Shoes—Men's, Women's and Children's—All sizes and all widths.

You know how we sell Samples. We buy Samples at a discount and this makes our profit. We sell them at the Market Wholesale Price.

Cavin's Footery

A $10 Suit

See our windows for large display of Men's Suits. Values up to $15 all for the one price,

$10 a Suit.

A $2.95 Suit

For your Boy in all sizes while they last. Nice clean Patterns.

Walters & Akenhead
THE HATTERS

Notice

Don't forget and come to the rink tonight. It will probably be your last skate.

Express and Teaming

Wood for Sale.
P. INKSTER, PHONE 66

F. C. Fisher
TEACHER OF MUSIC
Studio in Williams' Block.

ESQUIMALT AND NANAIMO RAILWAY

Time Table No. 7

Trains leave Nanaimo 5:15 Daily
Trains arrive Nanaimo 12:35 Daily
Wednesday, Saturday, Sunday,
Trains leave Nanaimo 15:15
Trains arrive Nanaimo 18:35.

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

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.

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We have just received direct from the

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A full line of

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These goods need no recommendation and the price and quality are always the same.

PURE GOLD ICING—Chocolate, White, Pink, Lemon, Orange, Etc. 2 packets for 25c. No cake complete without it.

PURE GOLD JELLY POWDERS—produces instantly a most delicious table desert. In the following flavors—Strawberry, Lemon, Cherry, Pineapple, Pistachio, Orange, Raspberry, Calf-Foot, Vanilla, Red Currant and Banana.

3 PACKETS FOR 25c.

PURE GOLD QUICK PUDDING—In Chocolate, Tapioca and Custard, made in a twinkling of an eye, and as palatable a dish as you ever tasted.

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TRY US FOR FRESH Haddies, Kippers, Smoked Salmon, Lettuce, Cabbage and Celery.

Fresh Crumpets and Muffins To-day

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Extra Specials

100 Pieces all silk Ribbons 4 inches wide in all colors. For QUICK SALE at 2 yds. for 25c.

86 Pieces Silk Ribbons in all shades, 2 inches wide. Our price 10c per yard.

100 Pieces Silk Ribbon ¾ inch wide, all colors, 6 yds for 25c or 65c per piece of 18 yards.

Carpets, Tapestry 3½ yards by 4. Special Price $12.75.

Carpets, Tapestry 3 yards by 3½. Special Price $10.50.

Linoleums, 4 yards wide at $2.75 per running yard.

Curtains, 3 yards long 60 inches wide at $1.35 pair.

Simon Leiser & Co., Ltd

Just Arrived

A complete Stock of Poultry Netting in all sizes from 24 in. to 72 in.

Also Spray Pumps, Garden Syringes and Tree Spray.

Our stock of Garden Tools is now complete.

The Ladysmith Hardware Co., Ltd.

Van Allen's Star Brand Shirts

The largest range of Negligee Shirts with or without collars, we have ever shown including the very latest corn shades. Prices from $1.00 to $1.75 each.

Ties

Some of the nicest ties you have ever seen, in stock now.

Something real dressy for dressy young men.

W. E. Morrison

Williams Block

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Elegant Designs and Colorings in Wall Paper

Call and see them. They are going fast.

A full line of Paints and Varnishes in stock.

Picture Framing done on shortest notice. Bring your pictures and look over our mouldings.

HARRY KAY, First Avenue

Painter and Paperhanger.

WANTED—Two respectable young men as boarders. Apply Mrs. A. Wright, Methuen street.

Local and General

Mr. John Brown went down to Victoria this morning.

Finnan Haddies 12½c a pound at Blair & Adam. *

At Ladysmith, on Thursday, March 18, to the wife of Mr. Jacob Atin, a son.

See the beautiful picture of the Padrone at the Novelty Theatre first three nights of next week. *

Mr. Harry Kay was a passenger to Victoria on the morning train.

Mr. R. R. Hindmarch, of the Free Press, was in the city to-day calling on old friends.

Genuine Ashcroft Potatoes $2.00 sack at Blair & Adam.

For Garden Seeds go to the Drug Store. *

Mr. J. H. Hawthornthwaite, M. P. P., went up to Nanaimo on Friday morning's train.

Rev. J. M. Miller, of Nanaimo, will occupy the pulpit at the Presbyterian Church to-morrow.

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

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

R. H. Carley, representing the Hudson's Bay Knitting Co., was in the city yesterday.

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WANTED.—Table boarders. Apply to Mrs. Jas. Gilchrist, Baden-Powell street. *

Not only in Ladysmith, but all over the Island, and in the best houses in Victoria, including the Empress, Grotto, Bismarck, W. Harrison and Empire, and all retail stores, is the Grand Duke sold. *

Blair & Adam have No. 1 Early Rose Seed Potatoes. *

Mr. R. J. Trembath came in from Chemainus on Thursday, and left Friday for Vancouver.

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Harry Sibble, representing "Wilshire's Magazine," the "International Socialist" and "Appeal to Reason," is in the city.

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Mr. C. L. Cole left for Vancouver Victoria yesterday morning to some special attractions for [illegible]'s programme at the Opera House.

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

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

Mr. R. J. Burde, editor and publisher of the Alberni Pioneer, was a passenger on Friday morning's train from Victoria.

To Let—Furnished front room. Apply Mrs. Harry Lee, Esplanade.

Use Na Dru Herb Tablets. At the Ladysmith Pharmacy. *

Solid Nickel Safety Razor with three guaranteed blades. Warranted do work of five dollar razor. Mailed for fifty cents. P. O. Box 404, Nanaimo, B. C.

FOR SALE.—Bedroom Suite and extra bed and sundry household furnishings. Apply A, Ladysmith Chronicle office. *

Tennis players are specially requested to attend the reorganization meeting of the club to be held in the Canadian Bank of Commerce next Tuesday evening.

Clearance Sale

of plain and ruled exercise books and scribblers.

3 for 10c.

35c a dozen.

for ONE WEEK ONLY to March 20th.

—AT—

Knight's Book Store

DEPARTMENT OF WORKS.

Notice to Contractors.

SEALED TENDERS, superscribed "Tender for School-house," will be received by the Honourable the Minister of Public Works up to noon of Thursday, the 15th April, 1909, for the erection and completion of a large one-room frame Schoolhouse at Courtenay, Comox Electoral District.

Plans, specifications, contract and forms of tender may be seen on and after the 15th day of March, 1909, at the office of the Government Agent, Cumberland; of R. Carter, Esq., Jr., Secretary of the School Board, Courtenay; and at the Public Works Department, Victoria, B. C.

Each proposal must be accompanied by an accepted bank-cheque or certificate of deposit on a chartered bank of Canada, made payable to the Honourable the Minister of Public Works for a sum equivalent to ten per cent, of the amount of the tender, which shall be forfeited if the party tendering decline to enter into contract when called upon to do so, or if he fail to complete the work contracted for. The cheques or certificates of deposit of unsuccessful tenderers will be returned to them upon the execution of the contract.

Tenders will not be considered unless made out on the forms supplied, signed with the actual signature of the tenderer, and enclosed in the envelopes furnished.

The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted

EDWARD MORUN,
Assistant Engineer.

Public Works Department,
Victoria, B. C., 6th March, 1909.

Mrs. Mary Polkinghorne, wife of Mr. John Polkinghorne, of Nanaimo, died in that city yesterday, aged 52 years of age She is survived by a husband, two sons, Fred and Charles, four daughters, Maria, Rose, Elizabeth and Sarah, and two step sons, Messrs. William and John Polkinghorne, all of Nanaimo. Mr. James Deeming of Ladysmith is a brother of the deceased. The funeral will take place from the family residence on Sunday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock to Nanaimo cemetery, Rev. Mr. Ewing officiating.

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Two Shows, 7:30 and 8:45 p. m.

Men's Hats

In stiff and crush styles, all the newest shades and shapes.

The best hats you ever saw for the price.

Hats from $1.75 to $3.00.

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Notice

Mrs. Gardner has opened

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Hair Restored and Scalp Treatments

Tuesdays and Thursdays, 10 a. m. to 12 a. m., 2 p. m. to 6 p. m.

Tenders Wanted.

Tenders will be received by the undersigned up till the evening of Wednesday, 24th March, 1909, for the construction of a fence round the school grounds. Particulars on application. The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

J. STEWART,
Secretary School Board

Ladysmith, 16th March, 1909.

Notice to Tennis Players

There will be a meeting of the members of the Ladysmith Tennis Club at the Canadian Bank of Commerce building, on the evening of Tuesday, March 23, at 8:40. All members are requested to be present.

FOR SALE

A. 1. young cow, fresh. Mother gave seventy two and a half pounds milk per day and sixteen pounds butter per week.

J. STEWART.

Some Dainty White Waists and New embroideries Edging Insertions and all over Embroidery.

—AT—

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