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Proposal for General Hospital Endorsed

There was a good attendance at the regular meeting of the Citizens' League last Thursday night, demonstrating clearly that the citizens of Ladysmith fully appeeciate the good work the League is accomplishing on behalf of the city.

The most important question under discussion was that of establishing a hospital in Ladysmith. The want of such an institution in this city has long been felt, and the League has now made the first move in the direction of placing the matter before the public.

In the absence of the president, Dr. Dier, Mr. Theodore Bryant took the chair.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Several communications were not acted upon pending a joint meeting of the Citizens' League and the Island Development association.

Secretary Wilson reported verbally that he had heard from Mr. R. Palmer, Deputy Minister of Agriculture, with regard to the best varieties of shade trees.

Mr. Joseph Lewis had strong opinions against planting cherry trees. He believed it would be impracticable.

Messrs. Stewart and Bryant reported for the delegation to the council with regard to the septic tank. The council had placed at the disposal of the delegation all the information in the possession of the city with regard to the sewerage, and had explained to the delegation how the change had been made from a direct discharge into the bay to a septic tank. It appears that Mr. Mohun had favored the direct discharge of the sewerage into the bay, but was opposed by Mr. Joseph Hunter and Capt. Gaudin. The delegation further reported that the council had decided to provide the travelling and hotel expenses of a delegation composed of Ald. Matheson, City Clerk Morrison and three members of the League.

Mr. Joseph Lewis pointed out that in Victoria harbor, where the rise and fall of the tide was about the same as in Ladysmith harbor, no objection had been raised. Here we have tide water and the offensive sewerage is destroyed by the chemical action of the salt water.

It was moved, seconded and carried that Messrs. Bryant and Stewart compose the delegation from the League, and that Mr. W. G. Fraser be invited to accompany the delegation.

Then Secretary Wilson introduced the important subject of discussion for the evening, viz., the establishment of a general hospital in Ladysmith. In doing so he expressed the belief that if proper methods were adopted the end could be easily gained.

The chairman said that the subject was before the meeting and invited discussion.

Mr. J. E. Smith considered it very strange that something had not already been done with regard to the establishment of a hospital. The need of such an institution presented itself every day and there should be no delay in proceeding with the undertaking.

As to the working out of details Secretary Wilson believed that it would be well to leave it to a committee from the various fraternal organizations in the city.

Mr. J. Lewis supplied some valuable information as to what had been done in the past in the effort to establish a hospital in Ladysmith. At one time Mr. Dunsmuir had offered to donate the site and all the building material for the hospital, if those interested would pay for the erection of the building. For many reasons, the undertaking at that time fell through. Mr. Lewis felt that all were convinced of the necessity of a hospital, and it only remained with the citizens to start the work.

Rev. R. Wilkinson had not the slightest doubt but what the work would be carried successfully to completion. He spoke at considerable length and gave instances of where a hospital would be of great benefit to the community. The houses here were small, and very often a patient could not get the rest at the home that was so necessary in case of nervous troubles. He felt satisfied all the churches would work energetically to carry out the work.

Mr. John Stewart believed all that was required to get a hospital here was for some one to make a start.

Other speakers contributed to the debate and all agreed that a hospital was necessary. It was pointed out that the present government would deal generously in the matter, and that there were several other sources from which generous aid might reasonably be expected.

It was moved, seconded and carried, that the secretary request all societies to appoint delegates to confer with the League with regard to the establishment of a hospital at a meeting to be held at the city hall on the evening of the last Thursday in March.

It is understood that the secretary will notify everyone he believes would be interested in the work to be present on the occasion referred to.

Several members expressed the belief that the various clergymen in the city would be only too glad to impress upon their congregations the need of such an institution.

Championship Match To-morrow

Nanaimo United travelled through to Victoria this morning to meet Esquimalt in their last game in the senior island league. The coal city team is strong and intend defeating the soldiers on their own grounds.

On the Sports grounds to-morrow Nanaimo and Ladysmith B play their first game in the Island league, 2nd division. The game is called for 2.45 and if the weather is as fine as to-day a good game and gate can be expected. The following is the line up of the Ladysmith team:

Goal—Dougan.
Backs—McDowell, Hewlett.
Halves—McKinley, Strang, Dufty.
Forwards — Grainger, McGuire, Morrison, Brass, Sanderson.
Reserve—Linton.

The Ladysmith juniors visit Nanaimo to-morrow to play their league game with the juniors of that city. The boys here have been training steadily and are going up fully prepared to do the trick. The junior team is as follows:

Goal—Delcourt.
Backs—Batie, Ross.
Halves—Celle, Fagan, Kerr.
Forwards—Ashmore, Batie, Wright Simpson, Wilkinson.

Manager Eno left this morning for Seattle where he will represent Ladysmith at the annual meeting of the Pacific Coast Football League. Considerable business will be transacted and Mr. Eno will look after the interests of the Ladysmith club.

William Sloan, ex-M. P., has left Vancouver for the north.

Samuel McKane was buried this afternoon from his residence, Rev. R. Wilkinson taking charge of the service. The funeral was largely attended by old friends and acquaintances.

Delegation to Vancouver Successful

Mayor Nicholson returned from Vancouver Thursday evening after taking part in the conference that day between the delegates sent from this city and the C. P. R. officials. The object of this meeting, as is generally known, was to secure better passenger service between Vancouver and Ladysmith and place before the proper officials the reasons why this city should not be discriminated against in the matter of terminal rates.

The gentlemen composing the Ladysmith delegation were Mayor Nicholson, Mr. John A. Blair and Dr. Dier. At Vancouver they were joined by Mr. E. H. Heaps, president of the Board of Trade of that city, and the mayor speaks in the most appreciative terms of the efforts put forth by Mr. Heaps to advance the case of the Ladysmith delegation.

The delegation was received by Mr. Marpole and Mr. F. W. Peters, the latter remaining over a day or so specially for the purpose. Throughout the interview, Mayor Nicholson states, the officials were anxious to solve the problems before them with advantage to the company and the City of Ladysmith. Every point was discussed in an amicable spirit, and while it may be that the result will not be commensurate with the growing commercial importance and geographical situation of this city, yet enough has been promised to prove that the efforts of the delegation have not been by any means futile.

The first grievance discussed was the inconvenience passengers to Vancouver were subjected to by having to go up to Nanaimo on the noon train, remain there for the boat to Vancouver the next morning, and after transacting their business at Vancouver being compelled to remain over night again in Nanaimo, preventing their return home until the following morning. Added to this was the erratic boat service between Ladysmith and Vancouver. Only those who were gifted with the spirit of prophecy could determine the departure or arrival of the transfer.

This was shown to be exceedingly detrimental to the interests of both cities, but it was admitted on both sides to be a difficult question to solve. The Ladysmith delegation asked for a regular service, but if that were shown to be absolutely impossible they would be pleased if the company would hold the trains over at Nanaimo until the arrival of the Vancouver boat during the days on which the double train service was in operation.

Mr. Heaps said that a few years ago the Vancouver city council were prepared to subsidize a special boat during the summer months to the extent of $100 per month to run between Vancouver and Ladysmith, calling at the islands during the trip. He had no doubt the offer would be renewed if requested.

After debating this question pro and con Mr. Marpole promised the delegation that either a boat scheduled to leave and arrive at certain hours would be placed on the run, or failing in being able to do this, the company would hold the train back at Nanaimo until the arrival of the Vancouver boat. He would wait until the return of Capt. Troup, and see if a boat could not be placed permanently on the Ladysmith-Vancouver route.

This was considered satisfactory, and then the question of terminal rates was discussed at length. It was pointed out that the Ladysmith merchant was compelled to pay $30 or $40 a car in freight more than Nanaimo merchants. This was an unjust discrimination against the Ladysmith merchants and placed them at a great disadvantage.

Some exception was taken to this statement, but it was admitted that Ladysmith had good grounds for making a request for terminal rates. Especially was this so in the matter of freight from the Northwest.

While the C. P. R. officials were not prepared to commit themselves to any definite policy in this matter the delegation were lead to believe that in so far as freight rates from the Northwest were concerned, the matter would be taken up, and the prospects are that the arrangement will be on a more equitable and satisfactory basis. The members of the delegation are satisfied that something will be done, now that an emphatic protest has been entered against what has been a long borne grievance.

Taking it all together the conference was one that must have beneficial results, and no doubt before long the business men of Ladysmith will have reason to congratulate themselves on having sent a delegation to place their grievances before those who are in a position to grant them early redress.

Conspiracy to Libel Nanaimo

Heartfelt sympathy will be extended to the good people of Nanaimo at what seems to be a conspiracy on the part of neighboring towns to ruin that place by means of exaggerated reports of smallpox. The Herald in a justly indignant mood brings the offenders to task in strong language. Certainly Nanaimo will have the sympathy of the citizens of Ladysmith for they know how it is themselves. Last year when there were half-a-dozen or so cases of smallpox in Ladysmith, the same tactics were pursued, and it cannot be said that the good citizens of Nanaimo were altogether guiltless in this regard. For that matter, the Herald, with that journalistic enterprise which has made its name famous the world over, organized itself into a detective agency and ferreted out cases of smallpox that only existed in the imagination of the fertile brains of the newsgatherers. The Free Press, not to be outdone by the Herald, manfully maintained its reputation for obtaining scoops. For a time it looked as if every citizen in Ladysmith had become a victim of the loathsome disease. Travellers on the trains from Nanaimo every morning, on being told that there were only a few cases here expressed surprise, having been told at Nanaimo that the whole town of Ladysmith was down with smallpox. It is to be hoped that the situation in Nanaimo is not so serious as it is generally reported, and every citizen of Ladysmith would be pleased to learn that the neighboring town could boast of a clear bill of health.

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 p. m. Subject morning service, "Children of Light", evening, "Strength of the Hills." Holy communion at 8:30 a. m.

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Local and General News Notes

The social and concert to be givenin the Odfellow's Hall this evening by the A. O. F. will prove an enjoyable event. A splendid programme has been prepared by the committee.

A very quiet wedding took place in Duncan on Saturday last when Miss Bessie Hird of Somenos was united in marriage to Mr. E. F. Tait, of Victoria, formerly school teacher at Mt. Sicker.

Rev. Mr. Webber, of Wellington, will preach in the Methodist church at morning and evening services tomorrow. Rev. R. Wilkinson will occupy the Methodist church at Wellington at both services on Sunday.

A social will be held by Laurel Rebekah Lodge in the lodge room of the Oddfellows' Hall, Thursday evening, March 11, at 8:30 o'clock. A splendid programme has been arranged. Admission 25c. Refreshments will be served. All welcome.

The Aero Roller Rink after being closed for a week will reopen tonight. Mr. Heinel, who is the new proprietor, has made many changes that will be quite an improvement. He had men working all last night, so he would have the rink completed by this evening. The new floor has been laid, but the organ has not yet arrived. Undoubtedly the improved rink will prove a great attraction.

There has been an interesting programme at the Ladysmith Opera House every night this week. There were many striking effects in the pictures. For next week the management promise the best show they have yet given. Monday night the pictures will include "At the Olympic Sports," "Concealing a Burglar," "Wonderful Fertilizer," "King Edward and His Royal Guards," etc. There will be a new vocalist, Mr. S. H. Jaynes, of Seattle. The songs will be "Stingy Moon," and "The Ice Man."

Because of their withdrawal from the Provincial Workmen's Association of Nova Scotia to become members of the United Mine Workers of America, employees of the Dominion Coal Co. allege that the company threatens them with dismissal, and they have applied to the labor department for the appointment of a board of investigation and conciliation. The men have nominated Daniel McDougall as their representative on the board.

The Novelty Theatre has been crowded every night this week and good programmes have been presented. The additional picture last night of the Jeffries-Fitzsimmons fight was a great attraction. The songs of Messrs. Sanderson and Lewis were well received. The same programme will be repeated to-night. Beginning next Monday night the pictures will be "Biscuits Like Mother Used to Make," "A Woman's Jealousy," "Latest Style of Airships," "Unsuccessful Flirt," "Tales the Searchlight Told," and others. Mr. Sanderson will sing a charming sensational ballad entitled, "Oh, Come My Lou," and Mr. T. Lewis, "True Forever Hearts."

Dr. O. M. Jones, of Victoria, was a passenger on the morning train from Nanaimo. Yesterday in company with Dr. E. M. Davis, of Nanaimo, he visited the Indian reservation to see if any trace of infectious disease is to be found among the natives. Acting for the Government they will very likely to-day declare the quarantine off, as they found only healthy and sanitary conditions at the present time. That the Nanaimo Indians have escaped a severe epidemic is very largely due, the Herald says, to the insistence of Indian Officer O'Connell who has looked well after sanitary conditions on the reservation under the direction of the local Dominion Health Officer, Dr. Drysdale.

British Columbia Fruit the Best

Mr Martin Burrell, M. P. for Yale-Cariboo, addressed the Ottawa Canadian club on fruit-growing in British Columbia the other day. The great advantage enjoyed by fruit growers in British Columbia, he said was the high percentage of No. 1 fruit produced by orchards. In a British orchard not more than 10 per cent. would average first-class, in Ontario a liberal estimate would be 30 to 50 per cent. while it was absolutely safe to say that the percentage in British Columbia would not be less than 70 per cent.

Fruit growing in British Columbia, he said had now reached what might be called the real estate stage when the careful operator would sell to guileless people for one hundred dollars an acre of land that cost him $5. But though an investigation of these cases might cause many to believe that the fruit-growing of British Columbia was not on a sound basis, yet they should recognize that there was constantly going on solid and honest development which would make British Columbia one of the greatest fruit producing countries in the world.

Mr. Burrell quoted Professor Robertson's statement that life was at its best where children had orchards to play in and went on to show the refining influence upon society of fruit growing. He ran quickly over the history of fruit growing in British Columbia, from the planting of the first fruit tree in 1849 by Mr. James Douglas, Chief factor of the Hudson Bay company and afterwards Governor of the Crown Colony up to the present tremendous development with 75,000 acres in orchard, a great deal of it under irrigation. The first shipment to outside markets was made in 1897. In 1902, the Province produced 2,000 tons of fruit, in 1904, 3,000 tons, valued at $250,000 and in 1908, over $1,000,000 worth, which fruit was marketed not merely in the Northwest and Great Britain, but in far off Australia. Mr. Burrell said that the development of the fruit industry in British Columbia was only at its beginning because aside from the fact that there was much ground still to be planted only 10 per cent. of the area thus far planted was in bearing.

As to the character of the fruit grown in the Okanagan valley and elsewhere in British Columbia he said that it was rather the habit of some people in the east, as well as in England to say that, while British Columbia fruit had a pleasing appearance and while the orchard yielded abundantly, the fruit lacked quality. This he spoke of as a pleasing fiction. Mr. Burrell went on to tell of the prizes won by British Columbia fruit in competition with the very best that could be produced elsewhere. At the great show of the Pacific Coast Fruit Growers' Association at which the best growers of Oregon and Washington were represented, British Columbia took the hundred-dollar gold medal for the best five cases. And at the first game national apple show held in Spokane last year, which was attended by buyers not only from all over the United States but from Europe as well, the Kelowna district in British Columbia, which took there a small exhibit, won $5,500 worth of prizes and took also the cup for the best individual apple, in color, texture and quality in the whole exhibition. At the Royal Horticultural Society's exhibition in England, where the judges were the most critical in the world, for six consecutive years, British Columbia had captured the gold medal.

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Hospital for Ladysmith.

The Citizens' League of Ladysmith is an organization which can boast of having accomplished considerable good for the city and citizens.

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Some months ago the League started an agitation in favor of shade trees and so emphatically and persistently did it maintain its position that the city council has committed itself to the proposal.

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Later on the League took up the question of better transportation facilities and terminal rates for Ladysmith, and last Thursday a deputation went over to Vancouver to discuss the matter with the C. P. R. officials, and while the League may not at once achieve all that it would like to, the visit is certain to bear good fruit in the near future.

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Then the League became somewhat skeptical as to the necessity of building a $6,000 septic tank, and today a deputation will reach Victoria to discuss the whole question with Mr. Mohun, the gentleman who prepared the plans for the sewerage system. The outcome of this conference is not yet known, but whatever it may be, it is quite certain the city of Ladysmith will be benefitted by the additional information that will be gained by the deputation, and it may be that a great saving will be effected in the construction of the sewers.

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Now the League is looking for other works to accomplish, and it is quite possible that the last undertaking will result in more universal benefit to the citizens than all other agitations combined. Certainly it deals with a question of more universal interest than shade trees, transportation facilities or septic tanks.

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In short, the League believes that the time has now arrived when Ladysmith should have a general hospital. The care of the sick in all civilized lands has always been regarded as a first charge on communities. Where this obligation has been disregarded the result has been disastrous.

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Particularly in the west, where there are so many strangers without homes, has it been found desirable to provide proper care for those who, through sickness, are unable to look after themselves.

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But in Ladysmith the subject comes nearer home. It is true there are two hospitals close at hand—one at Nanaimo and the other at Chemainus—but the great difficulty that presents itself is that it often happens that to save the patient's life, an immediate operation is necessary. In that event, a journey to Chemainus or Nanaimo is likely to have a bad effect on the patient, and the loss of time is also a matter of great consideration. Indeed, several cases could be quoted of where delay has had serious results. In the case of a hospital close at hand, the percentage in favor of a successful operation is greatly increased.

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Another evidence of the necessity of a hospital, is to be found in the fact that in a great number of maternity cases, the lives of mother and child are seriously jeopardized. The majority of the houses are small, and there is no accommodaeion for nurses and women are denied the delicate attention which is their right. It is a trying time in the life of any woman, yet it often happens, because of lack of accommodations, they cannot keep a nurse permanently in the house and in their nervous condition are subjected to the worry of a number of young children. Of course it is not very often that a woman has to be sent to a hospital for this reason, but the attendant consequences of childbearing frequently render it necessary that the mother should have that rest and care so necessary to her recovery.

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There are at the present time in Ladysmith several patients that should be receiving attention in the hospital. Two or three it would be dangerous to convey to the hospital at Chemainus, and the others feel that they cannot go so far away from home for several months and thus be cut off from their children. In one case it is a child and the parents feel that the little one being taken so far away from home would grow worse instead of better, and yet if there was a hospital in Ladysmith where the child could receive the attention of a trained nurse before and after the operation and at the same time be in constant communication with its parents, its rapid restoration to health would be practically certain.

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Accidents at the mines are of frequent occurrence, and yet it may be many hours before the patient can be conveyed to Chemainus hospital. In the meantime the injured man or boy has to suffer every conceivable torture.

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Common humanity demands that these things should be obviated as much as possible, and it is with this object in view that the Citizens' League is making a move in the direction of establishing a hospital here. The members feel that every citizen will co-operate in this matter, and that before long anyone who requires careful nursing and immediate attention will be able to get it without having to depend on the hospitals in the neighboring towns and cities.

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Hall Caine's Early Impressions

Hall Caine's career is of the inspiring character. He emerged from the lonelincss and obscurity of a little Manx farm to eminence and prosperity, through his own determination to follow the high ideals he formed in his youth. There was no meteoric rise to fame in his case, he achieved success by periods of hard work as a journalist, poet, dramatist and novelist. It is a splendid story which shows the travels of the man with a purpose from the Isle of Man to Greeba castle.

Mr. Caine holds himself more fortunate than some of his fellow novelists (though beginning life with many obvious disadvantages, and under conditions so little likely to develop the literary faculty) in being brought up as a boy in a little self-centered community where it was possible to see the human drama very plain because very close. There were forty or fifty thousand all told in the Isle of Man, and all were in reality one big family whereof nearly every member appeared to know something of nearly everybody else. "Our isolation from the rest of the kingdom, our inevitable intermarriage and the unity of our material interests made our impulses, our passions, our beliefs, our superstitions an open book for any of us to read, and it must have been my own fault if, with so many opportunities of reading the human story in the impressionable days of childhood, I did not learn a little of it by heart.

The story of how Hall Caine became a novelist takes him back nearly 50 years, when as a child of five, he was living off and on at intervals in a little thatched cottage on the high road through one of the remoter parishes in the isle of Man. It was the home of an uncle who was a small farmer as well as a butcher. In his character as farmer he cultivated some thirty acres of land, much of it hilly and some of it boggy. In his character as butcher he killed the sheep he had grazed on the mountain slopes and made weekly journeys to Douglas, the chief town of the island to sell the meat from a stall which stood in the market place under the turret of an old church.

On one of those journeys Caine was permitted to go with him, and though he knew it so little at the time, he thinks now that not only his first clear impression of the Isle of Man, but also his earliest sense of life and the world, must date from that experience. A range of hills crosses the island from the northeast to the northwest, and the home lay on the side north of them, while Douglas lies on the south. Caine's recollection is that, contrary to the usual practice of farmers butchers, which was to go around the little range, his uncle travelled to Douglas by a pass that crossed the mountains by a valley called Sulby glen.

The thatched cottage of Ballaugh was the home of Caine's grandmother as well as his uncle, and the novelist remembers her almost entirely as the source of superstitious beliefs, which to this hour he finds it impossible to shake off. She was a little Manxwoman, very old and much bent, dressed in the blue homespun of the island and occupied with the light labor of the household while the lustier members of the family were at work in the fields. Caine sees her in his mind's eye yet, gathering up the dry gorse that lay about the stack yard, then feeding the fire under the cyenpot that hung from the sloughby, a long iron rod and hook, over the open hearth. She called Caine Hommyheg, which was the Manx for little Tommy, and she told him countless stories of fairies and witches and witch doctors and the evil eye.

One of her stories was of a troop of fairies who chased her home on a moonlight night when she was a girl. They were merry little fellows wearing cocked hats and velvet jackets, and they kept prancing and dancing about her as she ran in frantic terror along the lonely road until she came in sight of the lighted window of her mother's house on the curragh, the marshy meadow land, and then they suddenly disappeared. Some of them were maglignant as well as mischievous, and she had seen them flitting along with lanterns, the night after a storm, to the door of some lone woman whose man was a fisherman away at the herrings, and was afterward found to be lost at sea. There were good fairies, too, and one of these, whose name was Phonderdee, would come to the poor people's houses at night when everybody was asleep and card the wool for the woman and churn the milk for the girls. You had to be kind to Phonderdee or he might become angry and even spiteful, so last thing before going to bed Caine's grandmother would lay out on the kitchen table a crock of fresh water, with perhaps a bowl of new milk and a plate of barley bread.

Notice to Contractors.

City of Ladysmith Sewerage.

Sealed tenders, endorsed "Tender for Sewerage," will be received up to 5 p. m., on Monday, March 15th, 1909, by the undersigned for the construction of certain Sewerage Works for the Corporation of the City of Ladysmith, B. C.

Plans, specifications, contract, bond, and forms of tender may be seen on and after the 15th day of February, 1909, at the City Hall, Ladysmith, 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 Corporation of the City of Ladysmith, Ladysmith, for the sum of One Thousand Dollars 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, which may be obtained at the office of the City Clerk, Ladysmith, and must be accompanied by a bond, in the sum of Six Thousand Dollars, duly signed by the contractor himself and two responsible parties, residents of the Province of British Columbia, whose names shall be subject to the approval of the City Council. The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

N. A. MORRISON,
City Clerk.
Ladysmith, B. C., February 15, 1909.

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.

You Are Invited

To drop in and see our spring opening of new shoes. We have just opened up 62 cases of up to date footwear. Shoes from all the leading makers.

Doctor's Special and Dr. Reed's Cushion Insoles for both Ladies and Gents.

J. and T. Bell's and Miss Canada Shoes for Ladies.

The Celebrated Liberty and Beresford Shoes for Men.

8 cases of Classic Shoes for Children.

We have a new Pit Boot and it is a dandy.

Come and see it.

We have got a first class shoemaker employed now. If you want your shoes repaired properly bring them along.

CAVIN'S FOOTWEAR STORE

Sole Agent for the Celebrated English "K" Boot.

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

FOR SALE—A few household effects. Apply R. J. Trembath.

FOUND—A key marked Miller. Owner can have same by calling at this office.

LADIES

For good wearing stockings try at

MISS UREN'S SPECIALS

Plain or ribbed cashmere for Ladies.
Ribbed cashmere (double knees) for girls.
Heavy, all wool, hose for boys.
Little Darling hose for infants.

Watch

Saturday's Chronicle and you will see when the

Roller Rink Opens.

NOTICE.

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

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

MARK CHURCHILL,

Helena Blouses

The Best Blouse made in Canada.

Another twenty dozen of these Elegant Blouses put into stock this week at

$1.25 and $1.50 Each.

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ALL WORK GUARANTEED

F. C. Fisher

TEACHER OF MUSIC
Studio in Williams' Block.

Express and Teaming

Wood for Sale.

P. INKSTER, PHONE 66

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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Suits cleaned and pressed.
Alterations made.
Charges moderate.

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Stove wood and cord wood for sale.
Freight hauled.
Furniture moved.
For anything in the teaming line,

See Thornley

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1,3 and 5, 3rd floor 31., Nanaimo
Phone 124 P. O. Box 1

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Let Us Do the Worrying

We have every necessity the housewife needs for housecleaning and can fill every want.

White Swan Soap, 24 bars for	$ 1 00
Sunlight Soap, 20 bars for	1 00
Gossages Carbolic Soap, 10 bars for	1 00
Pyles Pearline, 2 packets	25
Gold Dust, per packet	25
Sopolio, 2 packets	25
Old Dutch Cleanser, per tin	10
Chloride of Lime, per large tin	25
Gillet's and Pendray's Lye, 2 tins	25
Scrub Brushes, 15c to	40
Mops and Ceiling Dusters, each	25
Clothes Baskets, 75c $1.00 and	1 25
Zinc and Enamel pails, 90 and	40
Brooms, 25c, 30c, 40c and	50

and other things too numerous to mention.

Prices of our Spring Curtains are here.

TO THE GARDENERS.—We have received a full line of MAY'S SEEDS, all new, and will be pleased to show you our stock.

BLAIR & ADAM

Prices that Mean Business

There must be a reason why our trade keeps growing and why young men come here past all other stores. We have really handsome clothing to begin with. When it comes to down right good values you'll travel a long way before you find anything to equal these:

MILLINERY

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Our Miss Douglas having visited Seattle, Portland and the leading Millinery centres will be having the first Millinery Showing on WEDNESDAY FIRST.

You can save money by buying your hats here.

Simon Leiser & Co., Ltd

Cyphers Food For Chickens

Chick Food
Scratching Food
Blood Meal
Beef Scraps
Ground Oyster Shells

A Fresh Consignment of the Above Just received.

The Ladysmith Hardware Co., Ltd.

New Suits

The Famous Picadilly Clothing has arrived and we can show you something that has never been excelled in Ladysmith.

We have them in two or three piece suits with fancy cuffs in the latest cuts and shades.

Goods all marked in plain figures. One piece to all.

We have also received our Prints and Ginghams

Shoes, Shirts, Etc.

W. E. Morrison

Williams Block

We have just received another shipment of those

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.

FOUND—A key marked Miller. Owner can have same by calling at this office.

Local and General

Mayor Nicholson went over to Nanaimo to-day.

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

Miss Barbara Jackson was a passenger on the noon train from Victoria.

FOR SALE-A few household effects. Apply R. J. Trembath.

Mr. Parker Williams was a passenger on the noon train for his home at Coburn.

When asking for the "Grand Duke" see that you get it.

Rev. W. F. Robertson, of Duncan, will occupy the pulpit at the Presbyterian church during morning and evening services to-morrow.

When asking for the "Grand Duke" see that you get it.

The Government has appointed Harry Hughes and George Roberts license commissioners and George Haworth and George Smith police commissioners.

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

On account of the smallpox scare at Nanaimo all the island engagements of the Lena Rivers company have been postponed until a later date.

For Garden Seeds go to the Drug Store.

The brass band will hold their first dance in the band hall this evening. Preparations have been going on for some time for this event, and no doubt an enjoyable evening will be spent.

Use Na Dru Herb Tablets. At the Ladysmith Pharmacy.

The Leader says a petition is in circulation at Duncan urging upon the municipal council the necessity of passing a by-law dealing with the question of a sewerage system.

Shipping Intelligence

The Romford took on bunker coal on her way from Gray's Harbor for Australia loaded with lumber.

The Norwegian Steamship Cecil is bunkering to-day.

The Princess Ena discharged a cargo of ore at the smelter wharf during the week.

List of shipping at the local wharves during the past week:

Oscar Henriette,
Otter,
Burrard,
Nanoose and Scow,
Dola and Scows,
Eagle,
Manning,
Spray and Scow,
Belfast,
Canadian,
Celtic,
Jessie Mac,
Bermuda,
Wanderer,
Two Brothers,
Stetson and Scow,
Flyer and Scow,
Princess May,
Pilot,
Romford,
Tyee,
Beatrice.

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

The young ladies of Duncan have been affected by the basket ball fever and organized a girls team this week.

The choir of the Methodist church gave a farewell social to Mr. Parfitt at the parsonage Friday evening. Mr. Parfitt has been a great help to the singing, and the members took him by surprise and presented him with an address and a beautiful inkstand. In thanking the friends he said that it was a pleasure to him to help in the service of God andthat it had its own reward, but he appreciated the kindness and good wishes. The company had a pleasant time.

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

Clearance Sale of Purses

$2.00 and $2.25 for $1.50.

$1.00 and $1.25 for 75c.

—AT—

Knight's Book Store

Monthly Report of A. and B. Fund

George Smith	$ 7 00
John Tapella	10 00
George Hughes	13 00
John Gillespie	10 00
Oscar Dyer	1 00
Thos. Conway	5 00
Jas. English	25 00
John Little	1 00
T. Cope	14 00
Ladysmith Chronicle, 250 dodgers	2 50
Wm. Russell	5 00
E. Lowe	5 00
H. McFarlane	51 00
Wm. Siler, haulage Amb. Wagon	12 25
	$161 75

E LOWE,
Secretary.

There is a musical treat in store for the citizens of Ladysmith. The celebrated Williams Jubilee Singers have been secured by the school teachers to give a concert here on about April 5th, and the proceeds will be used for school purposes, such as additions to the library, etc. This company is not to be confounded with other jubilee singers, but is the company of which the rest are imitators. Further announcement as to exact date, etc., will be made later.

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

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For Watches, Clocks, Jewelery and Optical Goods. Columbia Graphophones, Double Disc Records, 10-inch 85c, Cylinder Records 40c.

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They are Neat and Nobby and the prices are right.

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Call and inspect them.

C. E. JEFFS

LADYSMITH, - - - B. C.

Aero Roller Rink Opens To-night.

Every Tuesday morning skating free to Ladies.

Saturday mornings, school Children 15c.

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Manager and Proprietor

Notice

Mrs. Gardner will open up

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

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