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C. P. R. at Coquitlam.
C. N. R. at Port Mann.
G. N. R. at Brunette River.
B. C. E. R. at New Westminster.

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Weather Today. New Westminster and District—Lower Mainland: Light to moderate winds, mostly settled and mild with occasional rain. No change in temperature.

AUSTRIA MAKING READY FOR WAR

With Servia or Wishes to be Master of Peace Negotiations.

Bulgaria and Servia Will Not Retract From Demands Regarding Forts and Port.

Paris, Dec. 12.—The Temps, which is considered to reflect the views of the government, thinks everything tends to confirm the feeling of uncertainty and uneasiness.

Reviewing the attitude of Austria during the last six months, the paper points out that in 1909, when she had to defend the annexation of Bosnia and Herzogovina, Austria made military preparations on a considerably smaller scale than those she has recently undertaken and also that Austria is making these preparations in the presence of a pacific Russia and a Servia ready to abide by the will of the great powers.

Other conservative opinion in Paris is that impartial observers must conclude that the Austrian cabinet is making ready to attack Servia on one pretext or another, or wishes to be master of the negotiations at London.

Must Have Port.

London, Dec. 13.—A Belgrade dispatch to the Daily Telegraph says:

"The government has a majority of only a single vote in the Skuptschina and although all parties loyally support the cabinet during war, now that the peace conference is opening, the opposition party has outlined certain limits, including an unconditional independent outlet to the sea, below which it regards it as imperative that Servia should make no concessions.

"The opposition warns the government not to repeat the mistake of 1909 through fear that Servia might remain isolated.

"A tragic incident has occurred at the military hospital. A Servian officer who had been captured by Albanians had his eyes put out and his nose and ears severed. As he was on his way to recovery, his mother was admitted to see him and was so shocked at his appearance that she fell dead.

Bulgaria's Demands.

London, Dec. 13.—The strictest instructions have been given to the peace delegates to insist on the cession of Adrianople, Sautari and Janina, according to a Sofia dispatch to the Times.

Peace Emissaries Arrive.

London, Dec. 12.—The Greek, Servian and Montenegrin peace commissioners arrived in London tonight from Paris. They were greeted at the Charring Cross station by a cosmopolitan crowd, which included the Greek archimandrite and members of the various legations.

Italian Stand.

London, Dec. 12.—It is understood in well informed circles that Italy's attitude with regard to a Servian port on the Adriatic is identical with that of Austria, that is, she would consent to the use of a commercial outlet without territorial possession.

PREPARING PLANS FOR NEW POLICE STATION

The plans for the new jail and storehouse are being prepared by a private architect acting on behalf of the city. So far they are only in a tentative form but it is expected that they will be in readiness sometime during January.

As it is urgent that the new lock-up be erected as soon as possible in order to relieve the congestion in the present one, construction will be started during the first spell of suitable weather in the coming year.

Five Persons Killed.

Cumberland, Md., Dec. 12.—Five persons are reported killed and several injured in a wreck today on the B. and O. Railroad between Can Patch Pa., and Hyndman, Pa. A through freight crashed into a passenger train.

REPLACE LIGHTSHIP WITH NEW VESSEL

Is Present Intention of Authorities—Inspection Shows Present Craft Unserviceable.

The announcement comes from Victoria that the marine authorities are on the look out for a new lightship to replace that now doing duty at the Sandheads.

A recent official inspection disclosed the fact that the present craft is in a very unserviceable condition. Her hull is old and no amount of repairs would make her tight again.

She was found to be leaking badly though the pumps were managing to keep her free.

Following the inspector's report the authorities decided that a new vessel was absolutely necessary and steps will be taken accordingly.

HOME RULE PASSES COMMITTEE STAGE

Government Aims to Pass Welsh Disestablishment and Franchise Reform This Session Also.

London, Dec. 12—The committee stage of the Home Rule bill was completed in the house of commons late tonight, amid exciting demonstrations and counter-demonstrations. The house then immediately adjourned. Premier Asquith and his ministers were given an ovation as they left the chamber.

The home rule bill passed its first reading in the house of commons on April 16 by a vote of 360 to 266. Its second reading was passed May 9 by a vote of 372 to 271. The bill was then formally referred to a committee of the whole, but as the home rule and Welsh dis-establishment are being taken concurrently, the committee stage of the Home Rule bill was not reached until June 11. The Unionist amendments, which have been the subject of lengthy debate covered 45 pages of the parliamentary paper.

Got Set-Back.

The bill received a set-back on Nov. 12, when, during the debate on the financial provisions, the Unionists defeated the government in a lengthy division by a majority of 22.—After riotous scenes in parliament an amicable arrangement was reached. The house on the motion of the premier negatived its original financial resolution the amendment of which by Sir Frederick Banbury, led to the trouble and another resolution was submitted for it. The net result was to delay the progress of the Home Rule bill for ten days. The government intends to pass it through the house of commons before parliament rises prior to March 30, three important bills—*Home Rule, the Disestablishment of* the Church in Wales and the Reform of the Franchise, the principal clauses of which aim at putting an end to plural voting.

"SCOTTY" FALLS THROUGH POLE HOLE TO DEATH

Vancouver, Dec. 12.—A well known local character, who goes under the name of "Scotty" was killed today by falling through the pole-hole at No. 1 fire station.

No person saw him enter the building and the local police have so far been unable to find out the man's surname.

BLACKMAILING REPORT IS ABSOLUTELY FALSE

An absolute denial was given by Mr. Howard Welsh at Sapperton yesterday morning to the report which has been in circulation to the effect that he had received a blackmailing letter from some unknown person.

Mr. Welsh does not know how the report circulated and desires it to be known that no such attempt had been made to mulct him of his cash or property.

LAURIER IS FOR CANADIAN NAVY BUILT, MANNED BY CANADIANS

Liberal Leader Strenuously Opposes Borden Policy Arguing That no Emergency Exists—Advances As Remedy That Whenever Great Britain Withdraws Ships to Home Waters Colonies Should Replace, Maintain and Supply Crews for Them—Would Establish Fleet Units on Atlantic and Pacific Coasts—Australian Defence of Native Shores.

Ottawa, Dec. 12.—The position of *the Liberal party on the proposition* laid down last week by Premier Borden that Canada should vote $35,000,000 for the cost of three super-dreadnoughts to be added to the British navy, subject to recall by Canada, was set forth this afternoon by Sir Wilfrid Laurier, its leader.

No emergency was facing Great Britain, he said, but changed conditions have compelled her to alter her strategic line, hitherto essentially one of security. His remedy for the situation was that whenever Great Britain was compelled to remove British ships from the colonial waters to allow concentration in Europe, those ships should be replaced by ships, built, maintained, equipped and manned by that colony. It was the Australian policy that Australia should take charge of home defence and it should also be the Canadian.

Monroe Doctrine.

Discussing the effect of the Monroe doctrine, Sir Wilfrid said some one had remarked that Canada could rely upon the doctrine. In this connection he held up the position of Cuba as a warning, saying the United States had made the Cubans pay heavily for assistance by undermining their independence.

"That example," added Sir Wilfrid "shows that we have to take our share in the defence, not only of our native shores, but in the defence of the empire as a whole and we can do so only by the assistance of the mother country."

Liberal Amendment.

The Laurier amendment is as follows:

"That all the words after the words 'that they' be struck out and the following be substituted therefor: 'This house declines to concur in the said resolution and orders that the same be referred back to the committee with instructions to amend the same in the following particulars, namely to strike out all the words after clause A and substitute therefore the following:

"'The memorandum prepared by the board of admiralty on the general naval situation of the empire and communicated to this house by the right hon. the prime minister on December 5, shows that several of the most important foreign powers have adopted a definite policy of rapidly increasing their naval strength.'

Withdrawing Ships.

"'That this condition has compelled the United Kingdom to concentrate its naval forces in home waters *involving the withdrawal of ships from* the outlying portions of the empire.

"'That such withdrawal renders it necessary that Canada, without further delay, should enter actively on a permanent policy of naval defence.'

"'That any measure of Canadian aid to imperial naval defence which does not embody a permanent policy of participation by ships owned, manned and maintained by Canada and contemplating construction as soon as possible in Canada, is not an adequate or satisfactory expression of the aspirations of the Canadian people in regard to the naval science, and is not an assumption by Canada of her fair share in the maintenance of the naval strength of the empire.

Advances Old Policy.

"'This house regrets to learn of the intention of the government to indefinitely postpone the carrying out by Canada of a permanent naval policy.

"'It is the opinion of this house that measures should be taken at the present session to give effect speedily to the policy embodied in the naval service act of 1910, passed pursuant to the resolution unanimously approved by this house in March, 1909.

Two Fleet Units.

"'This house further is of the opinion that increase in power and nobility, the imperial navy by the addition by Canada under the above act of two fleet units to be stationed on the Atlantic and Pacific coasts of Canada respectively, rather than by a contribution of money or ships, is a policy best calculated to afford relief to the United Kingdom in respect of the burden of imperial naval defense and in words of the admiralty memorandum to 'restore greater freedom to the movements of British squadrons in every sea and directly protect the security of Dominions,' and that the government of Canada should take such steps as shall lead to the accomplishment of this purpose as speedily as possible.'"

Borden's Resolution.

Clause A in Premier Borden's resolution referred to above reads as follows:

"That from and out of the consolidated revenue fund of Canada there may be paid and applied a sum not exceeding $35,000,000 for the purpose of immediately increasing the naval forces of the Empire."

Party Dissensions.

After stating that he had done nothing which would fan the flames of party dissension upon the subject of naval defence, Sir Wilfrid said in part:

"The country waited with great impatience for the premier's announcement and now after consultation with the admiralty, the announcement had been made. Mr. Asquith, Mr. Churchill and Sir Edward Grey had again and again asserted that England had no enemy, that she was ready for all-comers, *still there was an apprehension somehow, somewhere, some mysterious danger was threatening England.* Indeed, some went so far as to say that England was on her knees begging for support, an assertion which assuredly was more calculated to wound the pride of those to whom it was addressed than to create respect *for others. All these apprehensions,* however, have been removed by the document which was placed on table of the house," Sir Wilfrid continued:

England's Position.

"England is always England; she bows the knee to no one; she asks no favor from anybody; she does not come here as a supplicant, still less as a medicant; but to the inquiry of our ministers she answers: 'Here are the facts set forth in this paper; judge for yourselves and act as you please.' This is the language and it is no other than we could expect from English statesmen and English people.

"In other respects there is cause for rejoicing. This document shows that there is no emergency, that England is in no danger—she is in no danger whether imminent or prospective. But the document discloses the condition of things which, indeed, we knew, but upon which has not been placed the sanction of official correspondence."

Advances Remedy.

Sir Wilfrid later said: "In our humble judgment, the remedy is this: That wherever on the distant seas or in the distant countries, Australia, Canada or elsewhere, a British ship has been removed to allow concentration in European waters, if it must take place, wherever such a British ship is removed, that ship should be replaced by a ship built, maintained, equipped and manned by the country concerned.

"This is the Australian policy; this would be the Canadian policy—this ought to be the Canadian policy. I insist once more upon what is stated in the memorandum, there is no emergency. There is no immediate danger, there is no prospective danger. If there were an emergency, if England were in danger—no I will not use that expression—I will not say if England was in danger, but simply if England were on trial with one or two more of the great powers of Europe, my right hon. friend might come down and ask not thirty-five millions, but twice, three times, four times thirty five millions. He would put at the disposal of England all the resources of Canada and there would not be a dissenting voice."

No New Conditions.

Sir Wilfrid said that conditions were not new, they were the same as in March, 1909, when the Liberals had decided to create a Canadian navy.

Touching on the status of Canada Sir Wilfrid said:

"*When England is at war we are at war.* But it does not actually follow because we are at war we are actually in conflict. (Voices, Oh! Oh!) You can be in the conflict only through two things, namely, actual invasion of our soil, or the action of the parliament of Canada."

SERIOUS COMPLAINTS AFFECTING RIVER

Tug Skipper Says Lights on North Arm Have Not Been Burning for Five Months.

Vancouver, Dec. 12.—According to Captain Pederson of the tug Brunette which reached Vancouver this morning, the lights on the North Arm of the Fraser have not been burning for the past five months although several complaints have been made to the department of marine.

"There are two lights to guide the mariners to the North Arm of the river," he said. "One is on the North Arm flats, indicating the entrance and the other is on the North Arm itself.

"They are fixed white lights but they have not been burning for five months.

"They have often been out of order in previous years, but a complaint to New Westminster always had the result of having the defective beacons attended to, but in this instance nothing has been done, although the matter has been reported to the department of marine by various masters."

PROGRESSIVE LUNCHEON.

Dr. Elliot S. Rowe to Speak on Advertising and Development.

It has been finally arranged to hold the next luncheon of the Progressive Association on Tuesday next from 1 to 2 o'clock in the Royal cafe. The speaker of the day will be Dr. Elliot S. Rowe, secretary of the Vancouver Progress club, who yesterday accepted an invitation from the executive to be the guest.

The function will mark no special occasion, though the financial campaign at present being carried on may be the subject of a report from the secretary. Dr. Rowe's theme will be "The Relation of Community Advertising to Community Development."

Tickets for the banquet will be on sale at the secretary's office today and following this they may be secured from any member of the executive.

SHOP AT HOME.

Your own town deserves your support.

By supporting its institutions and its business places you are indirectly helping yourself.

A good part of the money you spend in New Westminster stores remains in the city.

It helps pay taxes and provides work for local men.

The money spent in other places does not do this.

Figure it out for yourself, and you will see why you should shop at home.

Be a worker for New Westminster!

COQUITLAM FAVORS SEVERANCE OF LOTS

Desirous of Joining Port Moody—Licenses Renewed—Road Reports—Election Arrangements.

Coquitlam Municipal Council met yesterday at Westminster Junction. In the absence of Reeve Mars, through illness, Councillor J. F. Langan presided.

The principal business transacted was the recommending of the disseverance from Coquitlam of D. L. 239 and 346, and a fractional part of the northwest quarter of Section 10, Township 39, with the object of these localities joining the new city of Port Moody; the reading of a special report by Mr. Kilmer, Municipal Engineer, in connection with the V. V. E. and G. N. R. Company's diversion of the Brunette road; the appointment of deputy officers and polling stations for the coming election and the hearing of deputations regarding roads.

Mr. Kilmer in his special report on the North road project, recommends

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FIRST BATCH OF DEBENTURES HERE

Mayor Lee and City Treasurer Have Busy Time Signing Their Names.

Printed on bank note paper and with every appearance of real money or something closely related thereto, the first of a series of the city debentures were received yesterday.

They were printed by the American Bank Note Company of Ottawa and when all are received will aggregate in value three to four hundred thousand dollars.

They were sent directly here in order to receive the signature of the mayor and city treasurer. After this is done they will be forwarded to the purchasers in England and their value in cash will be made available in the bank of the city corporation here. Mayor Lee started work on signing the documents yesterday and after he is through they will be turned over to the treasurer, J. J. McKay for his mark. Following this they will be handed to the bank and distributed.

Y. M. C. A. MAKES PLANS FOR FESTIVE SEASON

Christmas comes but once a year and that the Y. M. C. A. officials and members realize this fact is evident by the elaborate program that is being arranged for the occasion. The feature event of the season will be a monster banquet in the commodious gymnasium of the institution for all those unfortunate men who live away from home and comfort.

Preceding this on Christmas day a band of choristers will be organized a tour of the city will be made and the homes of the leading citizens will be serenaded.

A program of song and recitations will follow the banquet. The event which will take place at 1:30 will not be confined to members alone, but wanderers not connected with the institution will be cordially welcomed.

EVERY BODY SHOULD VOTE FOR MEASURE

Mayor Lee Gives Views on Subject—Will Benefit City and People.

The mayor is as anxious as anyone to see the plebiscite passed on Tuesday and gives it his heartiest endorsation.

Yesterday his worship said: "The granting of a lease of the Arena horse show building during the winter months is one of the best business deals the city can make. Looking at it from a civic standpoint it is a most desirable undertaking as the building will require to be used during December, January, February and March a season during which it cannot possibly be devoted to any other purpose.

It will give the citizens an opportunity of enjoying the very best of winter sports under most comfortable conditions.

"The list to be used at the plebiscite," continued the mayor, "will be that upon which the vote of the mayor and aldermen will be taken in January. This means that every individual who is on the householders' and property owners' lists will have a voice in settling the question. It ought to be the duty of every citizen, property owner and householder alike, to make it a point to be out on the day when the plebiscite is taken and cast a vote in favor of the leasing of the Arena."

The city will derive a grand total of $28 995 in revenue and interest from the lease of the Arena to the Westminster Rink oCmpany, states Alderman Gray. This sum will include the annual rental for the building for twenty years with interest compounded at 3 per cent.

The original bylaw called for the expenditure of $20,000 for the horse show building with an annual payment interest and sinking fund, of $1664 to be made on this sum. The cost of the structure considerably exceeded this amount, however, so that it will readily be seen that great assistance will be derived from the lease in covering the extra expenditure.

The Alderman gave assurance that the city's interests would be carefully guarded in the proposed agreement and he added: "I trust that the ratepayers will carefully consider this proposed agreement and support the plebiscite on Tuesday."

AUSTRALIAN TRADE WITH FRASER GROWS

Past Three Months Creates Record in Lumber Shipments—50 Maltese Coming to Mills.

A total of 7,000,000 feet of lumber will have been shipped to Australia by the Fraser Mills during three months time.

This is a record for the great industry and according to Mr. H. J. Makin, sales manager, the reason of such a demand for lumber in the Antipodes, is the fact that large numbers of emigrants are leaving for the land of the Southern Cross and thus an impetus is being given to the building trade.

The steamer Christian Bors has left with a cargo of 2,000,000 feet. The Weir liner Inveric, on her last voyage for Australia loaded 500,000 feet in Vancouver harbor which was brought from the Fraser Mills in scows. She left on Oct. 28 and arrived in Melbourne on Nov. 28.

Now the barkentine Alta is arriving to load 1,500,000 while orders have been received for an additional 3,000,000 feet for January loading.

It is expected that 500 of the Maltese contingent which is coming to British Columbia in the spring will be located at Millside. Col. A. D. McRae president of the company has stated that the company can accommodate that number from the thousand that are coming out from the little isle in the Mediterranean.

CITY WINS OUT IN GAS TRIAL

Is Awarded $750 Damages Company Guilty of Trespass.

Petition for Injunction Refused—Assuming Old Bylaw to Be Valid Company's Case Outlined.

The city of New Westminster was awarded today $750 in their action in the assize court against Mr. James Cunningham, proprietor of the gas works, for cutting up its streets and leaving them in a worse condition than they found them previous to their operations.

The petition for an injunction to restrain Mr. Cuningham from future upheavals of the streets was refused, as by the bylaw under which Mr. Cunningham operates, which, at the present time is not impeached, he is allowed to do so, but under the supervision of the City Engineer's department.

Assumes Validity.

Mr. Justice Murphy in delivering judgment, said that assuming the bylaw was valid for the moment, and that the defendant had a right to act under it, he, Mr. Cunningham, had to give three clear days' notice to the city of his intention to open the streets and to do so subject to the control and superintendence of the city board of works or other city authority authorized.

Mr. Cunningham had gone a trifle further than the bylaw and he recommended him to study it. It might be to his interest to do so. It did not authorize him to break up the streets on the lapse of three days. On the contrary, it laid down that the work should be done under the control and superintendence of the city Board of Works.

The question of the power to prevent the opening of the streets on a lapse of three days, had nothing to do with his judgment. In that respect the claim for an injunction failed.

Trespass Shown.

With regard to the other claims he found that trespass had been shown in the proceedings of this year. Defendant had opened up streets, or one of the streets, entirely ignoring the bylaw and he thought that was a most serious matter and certainly against the bylaw, under which the municipal authorities must be given three days' notice before any street was opened up.

Apparently the street was opened up in one instance before the notice was served at all and the work was proceeded with. There was no doubt that this company had some rights under the bylaw, and somewhat extraordinary rights, and they must be held within the four corners of the bylaw in the public interest.

Therefore he held that any individual or company opening up streets and not complying with the requirements of the bylaw under which they acted was guilty of trespass.

Damage Proved.

With regard to the question of damages he was bound to find that damage was proved. The damage was based upon estimates supplied by the superintendent of roads to the engineering department of the city. He had scrutinized these estimates very closely and on the whole he found that the city was not debarred from claiming these damages.

He thought that the gas company had a somewhat exaggerated idea of their rights under the bylaw. Under it they had to leave the streets as nearly as possible, in the same condition as they found them.

Awards Damages.

In awarding damages he could not take the city's figures as absolutely correct, because they were arrived at by estimation, but there was no doubt the city was put to expense by the gas company not complying with the terms of their own bylaw as to restoring the streets to the condition in which they found them.

He found trespass and damage but owing to the city restricting their claims he thought justice would be met by the award of $750.

CITY TAKES STEPS TO SECURE PLANT FOR GAS MAKING

It is very probable that some big developments will be announced shortly in connection with the establishment of a municipal gas plant. The city council has entered into negotiations with the Northern Gas & Power Company of Vancouver, a firm of gas plant erectors, with a view to securing plans and specifications for a gas plant most suitable to this city.

Whatever designs are offered will be examined by an expert acting for the city and if they are found satisfactory the company will be given a contract to construct the works.

It was stated by one of the members of the committee yesterday that the firm was in a position to supply the exact requirements of the city. "They can give us a greater holding capacity and length of pipe on a satisfactory basis than we can get elsewhere," he said.

The site for the plant has yet to be determined but it is understood that one is in prospect. Mr. C. E. Deal of Vancouver is president of the Northern Gas Co.

Aldermen Gray and Kellington left for Seattle yesterday morning where they will make a minute inspection of the Sound City gas plant. Mayor Lee is a member of the committee but was unable to leave owing to pressure of civic and private business.

The gas plant in Seattle is similar to that proposed for New Westminster although there will be several important additions and improvements in the municipal plant.

It is expected that the plans for the venture will be announced in the very near future and tenders called for construction of the buildings and machinery.

The gas committee are making preparations for supplying Burnaby with gas and it is expected, according to the tenor of the remarks made by the Burnaby councillors, that the neighboring municipality will readily accept the proposal and operate a gas business on a municipal ownership plan.

RECORDS GO IN CHRISTMAS RUSH AT POST OFFICE

The Christmas rush has started. The staff is inundated with work. The incoming and outgoing mail is away beyond the average. The receipts of the money order department and stamp wicket are breaking all previous records by a good margin.

Such were the statements made by Postmaster McDonald yesterday to a representative of The News, during a slight lull in the bustle and rush of the day.

"We have entered right into our Christmas season," stated Mr. McDonald, "and to say that the work has increased far beyond our expectations is putting it mildly. The distributing and storing departments are not the only ones affected. The stamp and money order wickets have been crowded all day long for the past few days. On Monday all previous records for money order sales were broken, no less than 284 orders aggregating in value $4000 being sold.

"It is interesting to note that the last record was created on the corresponding Monday of last year when 224 orders were issued. The stamp sales exceed those of last year for the first two weeks of this month by $450, a figure that has not been exceeded in the history of this postoffice. The parcel mail has increased by at least 25 per cent over last year and though the staff is taking care of all the material at the present time we will find lots of work for the six extra men who will come on shortly."

This information from the postmaster is a further demonstration of the great advance the city has made during the last year under the progressive administration of Mayor Lee and his able body of aldermen. All other civic, provincial and Dominion statistics point in the same direction and it can be safely said when the year has ended that 1912 will have proved one of the most prosperous this city has experienced.

Classified Advertising

RATES.

Classified—One cent per word per day; 4c per word per week; 15c per month; 5,000 words, to be used as required within one year from date of contract, $25.00.

Birth or Marriage Notices 50c. Death Notice 50c or with Funeral Notice $1.00. Card of Thanks 50c per inch.

WANTED—MISCELLANEOUS.

CONSCIENTIOUS MAN GREATLY needs work. Elevator, porter, restaurant, expert office cleaning; anything appreciated. Stanley, 1708 Maple St., Vancouver. (272)

WANTED—A BARN. JOHN RINdal, 612 Carnarvon St. (266)

BOOKKEEPER THOROUGHLY EXperienced and at present engaged, wants position. Would also travel having had experience on the road. Apply to Box No. 255, this office.

WANTED—BOY, 16 OR 17 Years old. Canadian Western Lumber Co., Fraser Mills. (261)

WANTED—YOUNG GIRL TO ASsist at light housework. Apply in afternoons at 57 Elliot St. (259)

WANTED—TO BORROW $2000 ON first class security. Principals only Box 250 News. (250)

WANTED—A DOWNSTAIRS MAID. Must understand cooking. Apply 48 Royal Avenue. (220)

FOR SALE

FOR SALE—SIX ROOMED BUNGAlow on Sixth avenue (No. 120) with furnace. Full sized cement basement; lot 52x122 to lane. Including electric fixtures and blinds for $4700; $700 cash; mortgage $1500; balance $500 every six months until paid. J. J. Johnston, Phone 169, Columbia St. (267)

FOR SALE—CHEAP, BOILERS, ENgines, factory benches and machinery. Apply Royal City Mills. (214)

FOR SALE—SIX ROOMED BUNGAlow on Sixth avenue (No. 118) with furnace and cement basement; lot 52x122 to lane. Price $4000; $700 cash; $1500 mortgage; balance $500 every six months until paid for. J. J. Johnston, Phone 169, Columbia street. (267)

FOR SALE—STEEL MALLEABLE ranges on easy terms; $1.00 down, $1.00 per week. Canada Range Co., Market Square. (201)

FOR SALE—CLEARED LOT ON First street, close to Sixth avenue and Queen's Park (42x142 to lane) $1350; $350 cash, balance 6, 12 and 18 months. J. J. Johnston, Phone 169, Columbia Street. (267)

FOR SALE—CLEARED LOT ON Sixth avenue between First and Second streets (52x122 to lane) for $1650; $400 cash; balance, 6, 12 and 18 months. J. J. Johnston, Phone 169, Columbia Stret. (267)

FOR SALE—CLEARED LOT ON Regina street between First and Second streets, (52x122 to lane) for $1650; $650 cash; balance 6, 12 and 18 months. J. J. Johnston, Phone 169, Columbia Street. (267)

FOR SALE—LOT ON SECOND ST. between Fifth and Sixth avenues, cornering on lane for $1650; $650 cash; balance 6, 12 and 18 months. J. J. Johnston, Phone 169, Columbia street. (267)

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Two large lots, North Vancouver $500

Large lot, Point Grey.

Edmonds lots, Wise Road, $400.00 each.

1850 ft. waterfront, joins city New Westminster, with 20 acres all under cultivation.

120 acres, 2 miles from White Rock station, $100 per acre.

5 acre blocks near car and city, easy terms.

3 good houses in city, small payment, balance as rent.

Hotel, South Westminster, 18 rooms furnished, $3200.

30 acres residental property half mile from proposed docks.

Excellent dairy farm $200 per acre.

For full particulars of this and other property apply

A. G. MARSHALL

Phone F 507 South Westminster.

LAND REGISTRY ACT.

The northwest quarter of Section 15, Township 13, in the District of New Westminster.

Whereas proof of the loss of Certificate of Title Number 16154F, issued in the name of John Smith, has been filed in this office.

Notice is hereby given that I shall, after the expiration of one month from the date of the first publication hereof, in the daily newspaper published in the City of New Westminster, issue a duplicate of the said Certificate, unless in the meantime valid objection be made in writing.

C. S. KEITH,
District Registrar of Titles.
Land Registry Office,
New Westminster, B.C., November 12. (95)

TO RENT.

TO LET—HOUSE AND BARN NEAR Sunbury, for $10 per month. Apply Box 304, New Westminster, B. C. (257)

TO RENT—FURNISHED ROOMS near library, single or double. 703 Agnes street. (262)

TO RENT—FOUR UNFURNISHED housekeeping rooms. Also one furnished. (260)

TO RENT—FURNISHED ROOMS BY day or week, 654 Columbia St., over Royal Bank. (241)

FOR RENT—ROOM WITH FIRE place and board; use of bath and telephone; hot water at all times Apply 83 Sixth St. (219)

TO RENT—TWO LARGE AND TWO small rooms over the News office. Suitable for club or light manufacturing purposes. Will lease for two or three year term, singly or en bloc Apply to Manager the News.

TO RENT—FURNISHED HOUSE keeping rooms, hot and cold water Apply room 9, Knights of Pythias hall, corner Eighth street and Agnes street. (202)

FOUND.

FOUND — COMMERCIAL COURSE school books. Owner can have same by paying expenses, News Office (270)

CITY OF NEW WESTMINSTER

City "Voters' List" 1913.

Notice is hereby given that the Court of Revision on the above Voters' List will be held at the Council Chamber, City Hall, on the 21st day of December, 1912, at 10 a. m.

W. A. DUNCAN,
City Clerk

City Hall, Dec. 9, 1912. (234)

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS.

Bradner School.

Sealed tenders, superscribed "Tender for Bradner School," will be received by the Honorable the Minister of Public Works up to noon of Wednesday, the 18th day of December 1912, for the erection and completion of a large one room school house at Bradner, in the Delta Electoral District, for the Provincial Government B.C.

Plans, specifications, contract, and forms of tender may be seen on and after the 4th day of December, 1912 at the office of S. A. Fletcher, Government Agent, New Westminster; Mr Wm. Merryfield, Secretary School Board, Mount Lehman, B.C.; and the Public Works Department, Parliament Buildings, 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 Honorable the Minister of Public Works, for a sum equal to 10 per cent. 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.

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J. E. GRIFFITH,
Public Works Engineer.
Public Works Department.
Victoria, B.C., 2nd December, 1912
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The formal woman is particular about her mourning stationery and visiting cards. She decreases the width of the border on her letter paper as she lightens her crape, also regulates it by her degree of relationship to the deceased.

The broadest border, a full half inch, is used by a widow as long as she wears unrelieved crape. When she permits herself a touch of white the stationery is bordered by three-eighths of an inch of black, lessened by prescribed degrees until in second mourning, when lavender or gray is appearing in costumes, a mere thread of black is used.

For a parent or child the border starts at a quarter of an inch and is lessened after six months to an eighth of an inch and at the end of a year reduced to a slender line. Borders on visiting cards correspond with those on writing paper.

The average person chooses her mourning borders by individual taste rather than by rule and rarely changes the width until in second mourning.

Good taste avoids the flaunting of grief and rarely countenances a border wider than a quarter of an inch, even for a widow. Even this is a trifle wide. Three-sixteenths of an inch is a better width for widows, parents or children and an eighth of an inch for a sister or brother.

The paper used is dead white linen of plain weave and lusterless. It is bad form to have a mourning border on striped or fancy paper, even though the color is kept white. Where a transparent paper is liked, as for foreign correspondence or to save postage, besides the border there is a separate lining of black tissue paper for each envelope.

Addresses and monograms are often stamped in unrelieved black. Some persons prefer them embossed in relief without color, especially if there be telephone and telegram numbers in addition to the address. When these are all in black they look less overpowering if a miniature receiver and telegraph pole and lines are used instead of the word telephone or telegram.

As mourning borders are expensive, the stationery of grief is costly. It can rarely be had by the pound, as other papers, but sometimes is cheaper by the box, containing several quires. As there is usually a reduction for getting a large quantity, it pays to lay in a supply.

Correspondence cards carry the same borders as writing paper. When there are no engraved acknowledgments these cards are quite large enough for a few words of appreciation. Sometimes a sentence is written across the top of the visiting card.

Black bordered envelopes to fit the visiting card should be bought by the hundred, as the card will do social duty during the entire period of mourning.

Art of Conversation.

The art of polite conversation seems to be a lost one, yet there is not anything in the line of etiquette that so surely betrays breeding.

To interrupt is to be rude, no matter how much one knows or how badly one wishes to say it. To carry on a perfectly well bred conversation with some sort of meaning in the words is a proof that one has been taught politeness.

It has been said, and possibly with a great grain of truth, that a roomful of women will all talk at once, yet there is nobody to set them a better example, as men are worse. With raucous voice and many times a lot of perfectly useless adjectives they take many a precious moment to say what could be said with a great deal less noise and a great deal more dignity.

Of course to converse does not mean just talking. It means saying something well worth while, and this really is the test. A hostess has a right to expect her guests to "make conversation," it is true, but a babel of sound is not at all desirable. This is where the low voice and soft expression have their proper belonging, yet where too often both are lost in the desire to make oneself heard above all others.

Current topics of the day are always safe subjects. Best let personal matters alone. It is better taste and therefore better breeding unless one is well acquainted with one's neighbor and can say anything without fear of repetition making mischief. To talk only of fashions is a mistake. To talk of music to a musician may be also a mistake unless one is fully acquainted with the subject. To talk of history to a historian will not do; he knows a great deal more than can be told him. In fact, to talk "shop," as the saying goes, is rarely advisable where a company is gathered together for entertainment.

Books are always safe. Discussions may and do arise. Sometimes heated arguments for and against attract and make an hour pass pleasantly. The weather is a very obliging subject. It cannot talk back, is always just the thing one does not particularly like and can come in for any amount of blame without making anybody present feel cross. So it seems that to converse well in a general way one should avoid a great many subjects and go warily about others. Any discussion may be heated without anger, and this means the etiquette of conversation.

Dies From Strain.

London, Dec. 12.—Mr. Hatley, an undergraduate of Oxford, died today as the result of an over strain while occupying the position of stroke oar in the college four race.

HARVEST OFFERINGS.

Startling "Fruits of the Earth" Brought to Church.

There have been some extraordinary things in evidence at harvest thanksgiving services at various times, but the live pig which figured at the festival at the Fishermen's Church at Grimsby the other day is certainly the latest novelty in this line.

On being asked by a farming shopkeeper what he would like, Rev. James Davis, replied, "Oh, anything from the farm." Shortly afterwards the pig was delivered at the church; and at the service it was given an honored place, in a wooden crate, at the base of the pulpit.

Report gravely states that the grunter "behaved splendidly," and did not even sleep through the sermon. But, notwithstanding its excellent conduct, Piggy was afterwards sold with the other thanksgiving offerings for the benefit of the church funds.

At one harvest festival at Folkestone there was quite an array of fish amongst the decorations, including cod, crabs, mackerel, plaice, and soles. Some fine codfish were suspended from the ceiling, and during the sermon one of them fell, to the amusement of the congregation. Perhaps the preacher's discourse was too long for it, or maybe the cod resented being taken from its natural element and treated as a "bird" of the air.

Last month, too, offerings of fish from the dealers at Billingsgate Market were a prominent feature at the harvest festival at the Church of St. Magnus the Martyr, Lower Thames street. A quantity of fish of all kinds was arranged between large bunches of flowers on a bench in the central aisle of the church. Besides a dish of fine whitebait was an enormous cod, and on either side were herrings, rows of oysters, and fish of all sorts and sizes.

Magnificent bunches of grapes have often figured in harvest offerings, but only once have they been seen growing in a church on such an occasion. Two or three seasons ago a very fine pot vine occupied the place of honor in the chancel of a Herefordshire church, to the astonishment of the members of the congregation.

It had been specially trained for the purpose, and the greatest care was exercised in conveying it to the sacred edifice, so that neither the vine nor the grapes should be injured in the course of transit.

The luscious fruit was very much admired by all who saw it, and, after the festival, was cut and forwarded to a neighboring hospital for the delectation of the inmates.

One of the Six Hundred.

The recent anniversary of the charge of the Light Brigade recalls the fact that there is still one amongst us who took part in that glorious ride. Lord Tredegar, though an octogenarian, is still hale and hearty, and takes a very keen interest in military matters.

Captain Morgan, as he then was, wrote a vivid account of the great charge just after that glorious event took place, and the following is a fragment:

"The 8th, 4th, and 11th followed us in, and suffered nearly as much as ourselves. We saw the enemy between us and home, and at them we went. I cut down one fellow as he ran one of my fellows through with a lance, and digging my spurs in my horse's sides he went at it as he has often gone at the big fences in Monmouthshire. I got through them with only a few lance pokes, which I managed to parry, but the number of men had diminished. We had to retire through a shower of Minie bullets, and we reformed in rear of the Heavy Brigade. I numbered off 32 men. We went into action 145 in the morning."

When the charge was over the gallant soldier found that he was the senior officer, all the others who were superior in rank having been killed. Throughout the whole campaign he displayed the greatest gallantry, and nearly lost his life on several occasions.

What Pavement Artists Earn.

One of the minor industries of London that is not dying is that of the pavement artist. His numbers, if anything, are on the increase, and it is reckoned amongst the fraternity that there are now about 500 of them pursuing this calling in the metropolis. With about 500 pavement artists in London, each earning on an average 12s., something like $1,500 is given every week by pedestrians in the metropolis.

There are a few with especially favored pitches who do much better than this, making a princely 30s. or $10 a week, but there are none of them who manage to run a nice little villa in the suburbs, with a well-dressed wife and family, like the beggar in the City with the hare-lip who was unmasked by Sherlock Holmes. There is, however, one man on a pitch in Westminster, where he has been for thirteen years, who goes away every day for luncheon and tea, leaving a cripple friend in charge while he is absent.

An Electric Waiter.

An Australian has invented an electric waiter for hotels and restaurants, operated by the customer seated at his table. A wooden frame holding the menu-card is fitted with push buttons opposite each item, and "pressing the button" rings a bell in the kitchen and displays the order and the table number. The kitchen apparatus also prints a check the original of which comes to the customer, with a duplicate on an endless tape. This device has been in successful use in New Zealand.

Small Parishes.

The recently-issued official bluebook of the British census contains some curious figures, but it is hard to beat in regard to the population of three Buckinghamshire civil parishes. In the parish of Petsoe Manor in 1901 the population was six, and in 1911 three. In Luffield Abbey parish the population in 1901 was six, and in 1911 seven; while at Creslow in 1901 the population was five, and in 1911 eight.

Audit and Salt Department.

London, Dec. 12.—Chinese government is installing audit and salt departments to be conducted with the aid of foreign advisers, according to a Peking despatch to the Times.

Ungallant Mr. Punch.

From South Africa comes the news that some English ladies were picnicing recently near Hell's Gates, Kamache, when they were suddenly confronted by a lion. He looked at them for a moment, roared, and then turned tail. We have easily guessed what he mistook them for.—Punch.

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DEPARTMENT OF WORKS

Ferry, Fraser River.

In accordance with chapter 85, R. S. B. C., 1911, "Ferries Act," the Government of British Columbia invite applications for a charter for a ferry to ply on the Fraser River between New Westminster, Port Mann, Annacis Island, and Coquitlam.

Applications will be received by the Hon. Minister of Public Works up to 12 o'clock noon of Monday, the 9th December, 1912.

The charter will cover a period expiring on 31st March, 1914.

Applicants shall give a description of the vessel it is proposed to use, the method of operation, and the vessel must conform in all respects to the requirements of the "Canada Shipping Act" and amending Act.

Applicants shall state the tolls they propose to ask for—

Foot passengers (adults), each.
Foot passengers, children under thirteen years.
Passenger with saddle-horse.
Passenger with horse and buggy.
Driver with two horses and wagon loaded or unloaded.
Driver with four horses and wagon loaded or unloaded.
Cattle and horses, per head.
Sheep, per head.
Hogs, per head.
Calves and colts under one year old per head.
Freight, perishable, per 100 lb.
Freight, unperishable, per 100 lb.

The Government of British Columbia is not necessarily bound to accept any application submitted.

J. E. GRIFFITH,
Public Works Engineer
Department of Public Works,
Victoria, B.C., 21st November, 1912
no28.

FERRY, FRASER RIVER.

The time for receiving applications for charter for a ferry to ply on the Fraser River between New Westminster, Port Mann, Annacis Island and Coquitlam, is extended up to 12 o'clock of Saturday, the 21st day of December, 1912.

The charter will cover a period of five years, expiring on 31st March 1918.

J. E. GRIFFITH,
Public Works Engineer.
Department of Public Works, Victoria, B. C., 3rd December, 1912
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NOTICE.

City of New Westminster.

Notice is hereby given that in compliance with the wishes of the provincial government, a plebiscite of the electors qualified to vote for mayor and aldermen will be taken on Tuesday, the 17th day of December, 1912, between the hours of 9 a.m. and 7 p.m., on the question of leasing the "Arena" at Queens Park to the Westminster Arena Company for a term of twenty years, during the months of December, January, February and March, at the following rental, viz.: Seven hundred and fifty dollars ($750.00) per annum for the first five years; one thousand dollars ($1000.00) per annum for the second five years; twelve hundred and fifty dollars ($1250.00) per annum for the third five years; and fifteen hundred dollars ($1500.00) per annum for the fourth five years; and such other conditions as may be agreed upon, satisfactory to the City Council.

The votes of the electors will be taken at the following places, viz.: The Council Chamber, City Hall; No. 4 Fire Hall, Sapperton, and No. 5 Fire Hall, Thirteenth street.

W. A. DUNCAN,
Returning Officer.
Dated this 10th day of December, 1912.
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COAL MINING rights of the Dominion in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta, the Yukon Territory, the Northwest Territories and in a portion of the province of British Columbia, may be leased for a term of twenty-one years at an annual rental of $1 an acre. Not more than 2,560 acres will be leased to one applicant.

Application for a lease must be made by the applicant in person to the Agent or Sub-Agent of the district in which the rights applied for are situated.

In surveyed territory the land must be described by sections, or legal subdivisions of sections, and in unsurveyed territory the tract applied for shall be staked out by the applicant himself.

Each application must be accompanied by a fee of $5 which will be refunded if the rights applied for are not available, but not otherwise. A royalty shall be paid on the merchantable output of the mine at the rate of five cents per ton.

The person operating the mine shall furnish the Agent with sworn returns accounting for the full quantity of merchantable coal mined and pay the royalty thereon. If the coal mining rights are not being operated such returns should be furnished at least once a year.

The lease will include the coal mining rights only, but the lease will be permitted to purchase whatever available surface rights may be considered necessary for the working of the mine at the rate of $10 an acre.

For full information application should be made to the Secretary of the Department of the Interior, Ottawa, or to any Agent or Sub-Agent of Dominion Lands.

W. W. CORY,
Deputy Minister of the Interior.

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NAVAL CONTRIBUTION WAS NOT REQUESTED

Premier Asquith Says No Favors Will Be Shown Dominion in Return.

London, Dec. 12.—Hon. Joseph Martin asked Premier Asquith in the House of Commons if the Admiralty memorandum given the Canadian ministers was intended as a request for an emergency contribution from Canada.

Premier Asquith, replying, said: "The memorandum speaks for itself. It contains no request and leaves the facts set out to the unfettered consideration of the Canadian parliament."

B. E. Petro, Unionist member for Devizes, asked whether, seeing that the provision of the Canadian dreadnoughts meant £5,000,000 in wages for this country, provided by Canadian taxpayers, the premier would not consider giving preference to Canadian products.

Premier Asquith answered in the negative, adding that the government had no intention of altering the United Kingdom's fiscal system.

Proposal May Have Been Cause.

London, Dec. 12.—The Daily News (Liberal), today hints that Premier Borden's proposals may have had something to do with Winston Churchill having asked Sir Francis Bridgeman to resign and suggests that the whole truth had better be revealed.

Predicts Party's Defeat.

London, Dec. 12.—A mild sensation was created in political circles today by the Liverpool Courier, the leading Unionist paper in Lancashire, telling Bonar Law that his party can hope for no success at the next general election unless the pledge of referendum on the tariff policy is renewed. The Liberal papers naturally crow loudly.

Says No Return Is Expected.

London, Dec. 12.—The Westminster Gazette (Liberal), partly deriding Pure-Croft's question in the House of Commons last night as to whether Premier Asquith would allow the Commons to discuss the possibility of making a sound return to the Dominion of Canada for their generous naval policy, says:

"Nothing is so incorrigible as the tariffers' theory that every effort of the Dominions in the common cause requires a cash return, of which there is no trace in Premier Borden's naval speech."

Bonar Law's speech in Max Aitken's constituency next week is eagerly awaited.

OLDEST PRINCE DIES.

Luitpold of Bavaria, Succumbs at Age of 91 Years.

Munich, Bavaria, Dec. 12.—The death took place last evening of Prince Luitpold, Prince Regent of Bavaria.

Prince Luitpold was the oldest reigning prince in Europe in point of years, having been born on March 21, 1821. He was nine years older than Emperor Francis Joseph of Austria, who was born Aug. 19, 1830. The latter, however, has already occupied the throne for sixty-four years, as he became ruler at the age of 18, while Prince Luitpold had been regent only since June 10, 1886. The immediate cause of Prince Luitpold's death was bronchial catarrh, which was aggravated by the feebleness of old age.

The King of Bavaria is Otto, who has been insane during his entire reign.

Berlin, Dec. 12.—On account of the death of Prince Luitpold of Bavaria Emperor William has ordered general mourning for three weeks and the Imperial Parliament has been adjourned over Christmas for the same reason.

McBRIDE COMPLIMENTED.

California University Asks B. C. Premier to Speak There.

Victoria, Dec. 12.—High compliment to British Columbia as well as to its distinguished and popular First Minister, is paid by the University of California, whose president, Dr. Benjamin Ide Wheeler, has just written to Sir Richard McBride, conveying to him the invitation of the university to be their guest of honor on the occasion of the 1913 Charter Day exercises, toward the end of March, and to deliver the Charter Day address, to which very considerable importance is atached by all citizens of the Golden State.

The selections made for this important feature of the Charter Day celebration are always of men recognized continentally for their ability and prominence in the public eye, last year and the year before President Taft and British Ambassador Rt. Hon. James Bryce, having been thus called upon last year and 1911 respectively.

It is understood that the premier will accept the invitation and report has it that he will also on the occasion have conferred upon him the honorary degree of LL. D. by the great California university.

Osprey Is Safe.

London, Dec. 12.—The owners of the steamer Osprey report that the lamp found on the Centurion after the collision is not the Osprey's. A report to Lloyd's says that the Osprey was sighted off Portland hill tonight.

GOVERNMENT ACCUSES WOMAN OF SMUGGLING

Gowns Brought Into United States From Europe for Dressmaking Syndicate.

New York, Dec. 12.—A smuggling conspiracy to which many of the largest dressmaking establishments in the United States are parties and through which the United States Treasury has been defrauded of a million dollars revenue, was alleged by the federal authorities today when the first indictment in the case was secured.

A middle-aged woman was indicted on the specific charge of facilitating the transportation of smuggled goods into this country by way of Canada.

Customs' officials described her as the wife of Mr. George Haldren, a lawyer with offices in New York, London and Paris, but said she had not been living with her husband for some time. When arrested today she was in possession of twenty-one gowns valued at $15,000, the finest, the officials said, that had been seized at this port in years.

Mrs. Haldren, traveling, it is alleged as Mrs. Amaldorn, Madame Haldane and Madame Hubert, had been followed by special agents of the Treasury Department since last August, when she left this port for Europe. She was traced to Rotterdam Paris, London, Liverpool and Canada telling the Canadian and American customs officers at Quebec, it is said that she was a foreigner on the way to the United States and that her wealth of gowns was for her personal use.

As such a non-resident she was entitled to bring the gowns to the United States, duty free. The government alleges, however, that the woman was one of several clever agents of large dressmaking establishments employed to go abroad every season to purchase the most expensive and latest gowns, posing as weathly foreigners when they arrive in this country.

VACUUM STREET CLEANER.

First Demonstration of New Invention Held in London.

London, Dec. 12.—The first demonstration in this country of the new motor vacuum road cleaning machine the invention of an Italian engineer, took place at Southport yesterday.

The machine has from 20 to 25 horsepower, and a four-cylinder motor engine. The sweeping mechanism consists of a cylindrical brush composed of a series of small brushes which revolves in a sheet-iron shell in the onposite direction to that of the wheels of the car. The speed at which the brushes rotate causes the dust to be collected by suction.

The machine picked up wooden blocks and broken bricks, and it is stated it can deal sifilarly with bottles and stones up to nine pounds in weight.

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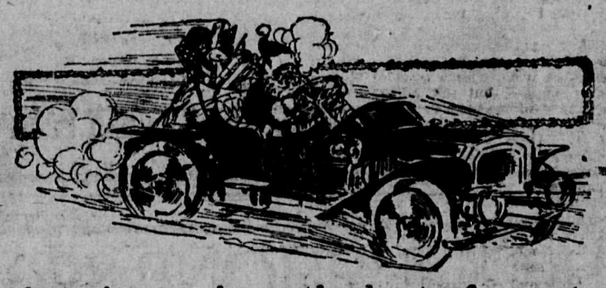

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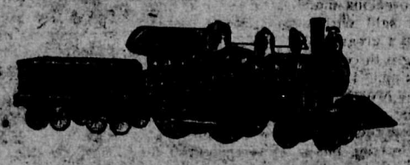

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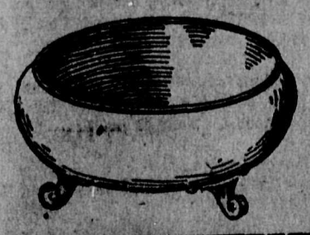

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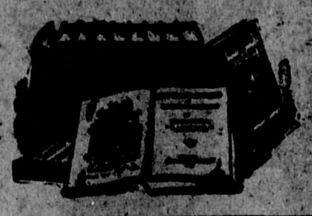

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THE BRITISH PEACE.

Grave fears were entertained yesterday when it was announced that Servia had recalled her representative in Vienna, thus breaking off diplomatic relations with Austria. But this happily proved to be a false alarm as M. Simititch was merely giving up his post to M. Jovanovitch, whose appointment dates from a month ago.

But, although we may again draw relief from this enlightenment, the differences to be settled by the five nations at the London conference are of the widest and will continue to cause uneasiness until definite news of a settlement is reached.

A clearer view of recent events leading to this famous conference is shown by recent cables. Great Britain has, by throwing her weight into the balance for peace caused the nations to hold their hands and once again as in the Napoleonic struggles has saved Europe from catastrophe

If it be asked what constitutes Great Britain's strength and enables her still to sway the course of world politics, there is but one answer and that is contained in the long lines of grim, grey warships manned by the sturdiest seadogs in the world, ever ready to strike in support of her contentions.

But we have to remember that relatively the strength of Britain's naval power has dwindled considerably from the standard of ten years ago, when upon every sea, British naval arms were predominant. By concentration in home waters her general naval supremacy is still maintained and, at the present time, she still has enough margin to ensure local supremacy by dispatching ships to any portion of the world.

But other nations are building fast and while Britain asks no aid from the Dominions overseas, the events of the last three years have shown to the world that the empire is united in the cause of defence. Unfortunately it is upon the nature of that defence policy that dissensions have now arisen as is evidenced by the opposition stand in the Commons yesterday.

Canada wants to take her place in line with her sisters. Her Conservative government has gone to the Liberal government of Great Britain and in plain words—as all may see by studying the Admiralty memorandum—has been told how best she may aid. Surely this is sufficient.

At present we cannot man one third class cruiser with Canadians, coast defence fleets are provided for in the Borden policy, ships cannot be built here for several years did we begin building yards now, and meanwhile the time to act is the present.

FOUR AUTHORITIES.

There are today four first-class Naval Authorities in the world—Britain, Germany, the United States and France.

Obviously if Canada desires to know what she should do to preserve alike her self-respect and her national existence by helping to maintain the sea power which protects her, she must go to one of these four powers for the best possible advice.

To which should she go?

To which did the Republics of South America go when they wanted to know how to get Navies?

To which did Turkey go?

To which did Portugal go?

To which did Japan go?

In 1909, the then Canadian Government, sharing the common belief that naval advice should be sought in the great naval centre—Britain—went there, got the advice, and then deliberately turned its back on it by creating a toy navy which can neither fight nor run away.

The only approval that is heard in Canada today of this "toy navy" system, comes from people who think to benefit by selling it supplies, or getting government contracts related to it, or some other way filling their pockets—while leaving the nation exposed to its enemies!

The new Prime Minister followed in the footsteps of his predecessor in so far as to go to Britain in search of advice on the naval question.—Montreal Star.

ROBERT COLLYER.

An Englishman who won a remarkable place in the respect and affection of the people of the United States, among whom he spent most of his life, was Robert Collyer, who died a few days ago. Several newspapers have reviewed his career saying he was no better loved man in the country than this Englishman, who was a blacksmith by trade, but became one of the greatest preachers of his time.

At first he was a Methodist, but soon after going to the United States he became a Unitarian. Theology troubled him little, and his hearers were glad enough to listen to him without speculating as to his precise beliefs in this matter. Robert Collyer never went to a university, and had little training even in school, but he wrote English in a fashion that probably no one could learn to imitate. It was the admiration of professors of literature, and it is said that they oftne advised their students to study Collyer's sermons for their literary style.

In this respect he has been compared to Horace Greeley, who had very little schooling, but students of his day were urged to study his editorials and try to find, if they could, the secret of his power. Collyer's sermons are described by a writer in the Rochester Herald as "fine poems—far finer poems, indeed, than most of the effusions in metric line that emanate from our modern bards."

The poet nature of the man, and his beautiful religious spirit, probably explain his great popularity better than his gifts as a pulpit orator. Collyer was always an optimist, always hopeful of humanity. Believing that one man could do much to make the world better and brighter, he cheerfully dedicated himself to this task.

Even a cynical man would be inclined to agree that to have won the affection of so many people was a rich reward for a life devoted to the cause of humanity.—Toronto Mail and Empire.

THE WHEAT PROPHETESS.

Miss E. Cora Hind Is Canada's Greatest Crop Expert.

It may be news to some people that the greatest authority on agricultural conditions and tendencies in Western Canada is a woman. Perhaps it should be said that some of the professors and other experts in the service of the various Governments may be excepted when this distinction is accorded, says Toronto Saturday Night. Miss E. Cora Hind, commercial and agricultural editor of The Free Press, Winnipeg, has achieved a national reputation as an authority on agricultural topics, with particular reference to the production of grain and live stock. Her most noteworthy accomplishments, as far as the general public is concerned, have been in connection with the inspection of growing crops in the prairie provinces. In her capacity as commercial editor she spent a large portion of each summer during the past eight years in traveling through the various grain districts in order to reach an accurate conclusion regarding the crop outlook. The present season has been the first in which Miss Hind has not undertaken these trips, and only the great extension of settlement and cultivation has made necessary the discontinuance of this important work.

It is no small task to calculate the probable output of wheat over an acreage of five to ten million distributed through a territory of 200,000,000 acres, but a summary of what Miss Hind has been able to do in this respect will give the best idea of her efficiency. From 1904 to 1911 she made an annual estimate about harvest time. Of course, it was not until one year later that there was an opportunity to compare her figures with the official returns of the Dominion Government. During that time the total yield of wheat increased from 54,390,678 to 181,751,017 bushels, so that there was plenty of room to make a mistake. In 1904 Miss Hind's figures were within 700,000 bushels of the actual output as tabulated a year later. In 1905 she was about 500,000 bushels out, in 1907, 300,000 bushels, and in 1909, 600,000 bushels. In the other years her estimates were from three to four million bushels astray, but these were seasons in which the work of calculation was particularly difficult on account of the rapid increase in acreage and an unusual variety of weather conditions.

Miss Hind was born in Toronto, and is descended from United Empire Loyalist stock. She was brought up on her grandfather's farm in the County of Grey and went to Winnipeg just after the famous boom of 1882. She was the first girl to be employed as a typist in Western Canada, and in that capacity she made the first typewritten brief that was used in the courts in Manitoba. Her first work for The Manitoba Free Press was done in 1883, and her connection with that paper gradually became more intimate as her experience increased.

The expert knowledge gained by Miss Hind in her newspaper work has made her a welcome and popular visitor at fairs, stock shows and other exhibitions where the best displays are to be seen. She is as well known at the International Live Stock Show at Chicago as she is at the Brandon Winter Fair. She has taken a prominent part in the activities of the Canadian Women's Press Club, and is generally interested in any movement that has for its object a closer recognition of the important part that women can play in business life.

National Playgrounds.

A new policy has been developed by the Forestry Department of the Dominion Government which promises to be very popular in the west. There has been established a new branch which will be known as the bureau of national playgrounds. Hitherto the forest preserves of the Dominion Government have been purely for the purpose of saving the timber and wild animals. Now the idea of maintaining many of these reserves as pleasure and health resorts is developed and suitable portions will be set apart as playgrounds for the people. The first experiment of this kind was made this summer in the Turtle mountain reserve in Manitoba, where the plan has proved popular. It will be carried out on a more extensive scale next year. Requests have already been made to have playgrounds established at Duck mountain and Riding mountain reserves in the Prairie Province and also for the establishment of a playground and health resort at Spruce Woods reserve, southwest of Prince Albert.

Passed With Honors.

Sir William Mulock is one of the many Canadian city men who take an interest in farming. Another gentleman who does farming on the side is Mr. Hamer, principal of Moley College, St. Catharines.

Both have been connected with educational work, but when they met on a train from St. Catharines recently much of their talk was about farming. Sir William asked the doctor about soil, fertilizers, sheep, cows, rotation of crops, what use to make of land under apple trees and many other things concerning the farm.

"This answering your questions," said the doctor, "reminds me of my university days."

Sir William smiled, and said: "Perhaps so. At any rate you've certainly passed a very creditable examination."

The Musk Ox.

The musk ox is an arctic animal, occurring both in Greenland and in Northern Canada. In pleistocene times it occurred in England and Central Europe. It is about the size of one of our smaller breeds of ox, but in habits and in the fact that most of its muzzle is hairy more like a sheep than a bovine. Its hair is very long, thick and matted. The horns in the young are small, upright and far apart, but in the adult they become very broad at the base and meet in the midline and take a curve downward and outward, while the ends curve again upward to a point. It owes its name to its strong musklike odor.

SATIRIC "MARMADUKE."

Witty Sayings of London Truth's Epigrammatist.

For something like twenty-two years readers of London Truth have enjoyed the quaint aphorisms of "Marmaduke," the pen name of Charles Edward Jerningham, who has just retired.

Not long ago "Marmaduke" collected in a single volume some of the epigrams and aphorisms which had appeared in Truth. A few typical specimens follow:

"He who is drunk in a first class carriage has had a fit. He who has a fit in a third class is drunk."

"There are few Englishmen now who have a library in them; many who have ledgers."

"Man is the lord of creation; woman the lady of recreation."

"The ordinary English man and woman when they go to France look upon it as a holiday trip around the improper."

"The English distrust the clever. They conceive that cleverness is next to ungodliness."

"The middle ages have been replaced by the middle class ages."

"The ordinary Englishman is a man of few words, and these are generally disagreeable."

"The English are divided into three classes. These are the aspiring and the perspiring. The middle class is composed of those who both aspire and perspire."

"Ability will out—in England, generally at the elbows."

"'No man is a hero to his valet,' but many a man is a valet to his hero."

Lies of great men all remind us
We can make our lies sublime
And, departing, leave behind us
Footprints on the sands of time.

WOMAN'S LOT IN PERSIA.

A Land Where Mothers Weep at the Birth of a Daughter.

While the woman of China and India is in the forefront of the fight for better conditions, her sister of Persia seems to be in no better plight than she was a century ago. In Je Sais Tout appears an extract from the report of Henry R. d'Allemagne on woman's sphere in Persian life.

"The birth of a girl in Persia," says d'Allemagne, "is received with pity, even by her mother. 'Why should I not weep over my little girl, who will have to endure the same miseries as I have known?' she cries. 'She is of so little value! Who knows whether her father will not one day throw her out of a window and so silence forever her wailing? And why should he be annoyed? He knows he may do such a thing with impunity. No one cares any more than if it was a cat which had to suffer for his wrath.'

"From the hour of birth the social inequality between the sexes asserts itself. Infant mortality is very high owing to the ignorance and inexperience of the women. Since celibacy is considered a disgrace, girls are often married as young as ten or twelve years. In order to reduce the rate of infant mortality some men have suggested that the mother should have a finger cut off every time she lost a child. This cruelty, however, has not been adopted. But that it should have entered into the minds of any Persian men is significant enough."

POPE'S HEALTH GOOD SAYS HIS BROTHER

Signor Angelo Sarto on One of Periodical Visits to Vatican—Is Mail Carrier at 77.

Rome, Dec. 12.—The pope's brother, Signor Angelo Sarto, is seen again about Rome. He comes here two or three times a year at regular intervals. Signor Sarto is employed in the small postoffice of Grazia, near Mantua. For carrying sacks of mail matter to the trains, he earns, at 77 years of age, two and one-half lires a day (about 50 cents). From time to time he comes to Rome, traveling upon a third-class ticket in order to see his brother the sovereign pontiff.

Yesterday he was at the Chamber of Deputies, whither he had gone to ask a favor the deputy of Circonscription Marchese Debagno. Angelo Sarto is a good patriot. He decorates his house with flags on national holidays. Signor Sarto was asked about the Pope's health which at regular intervals the newspapers say is precarious.

Signor Sarto assured the interviewer that he had never found his brother in better health nor have his appetite or spirit changed. Signor Sarto, who resembles strongly the pontiff, never fails, every time he comes to Rome, to go and see his brother every morning at six o'clock. They breakfast together after mass and at 8 o'clock the pontiff sends his brother away so that he can be free to devote himself to the affairs of the church.

FROM THE SEVEN SEAS.

Australia.

The best answer that could be given to the critics of the national cadet training scheme was provided in Melbourne last month, when 18,000 cadets paraded, and gave an admirable exhibition of fitness and efficiency. Senator the Hon. G. F. Pearce, Minister of Defence, is delighted with the showing the boys made, as indeed were the large numbers of people who witnessed the parade. The turn-out was the more remarkable for the fact that it was limited to regiments of the city. The lads showed a good standard of efficiency in the movements they were called upon to perform, and reflected credit on their instructors. Similar parades will be held elsewhere.

A resolution was introduced in the Western Australia Legislative Assembly in favor of the appointment of local men as State Governors. From this resolution the Ministry dissented, but it was eventually put and carried

There was more wool produced in Queensland during 1911 than in any previous year of the State's history. It exceeded the output for 1910 by upwards of 5,000,000 pounds.

An early forecast of the probable yield of wheat in South Australia this season places it at 20,00,000 bushels. The weather conditions experienced in this State have been unusually favorable to grain crops this year.

The Premier of Tasmania has promised to recommend for the consideration of Parliament a grant towards the expenses of the Dr. Mawson's Australian Antarctic Expedition. The expedition has already spent about £3500 in Hobart, and the final refitting of the Fram before proceeding to the Antarctic, in the coming summer, to bring back Dr. Mawson and the other members of the expedition, will be done at Hobart.

New Zealand.

The Terra Nova has commenced to coal at Wellington in readiness for her journey to the Antarctic to bring back Captain Scott and his expedition. The vessel will sail for the Far South on Dec. 14.

A feature of the near approach of summer in Auckland this year is the remarkable activity in the ship-building and boat-building yards. Apart from the large number of yachts and pleasure craft—a sure sign of prosperous times—that are now in course of construction, many vessels for trading purposes are being built in yards along the water front.

The Auckland Y. M. C. A. have been carrying on a big campaign here, and as the result of a week's strenuous work have collected £9138.

South Africa.

Considerable indignation is expressed in Pretoria at the report that the collection of pictures presented to the Union by Mr. Max Michaelis is to be housed in Capetown.

Natal sugar planters are demanding increased protection for the industry.

The draft ordinance providing for the unification of the various municipalities of the Cape Peninsula, to form a Greater Capetown, has been published.

While there is little doubt that South Africa's attitude towards naval defence is being discussed in official quarters, it would be unwise to place a great deal of credence in any definite forecasts as to the government's intentions, as their policy in this matter is at present in a very nebulous stage.

On Dingaan's Day (Dec. 16), the ceremony of handing over the Voortrekkers' Museum at Pietermaritzburg to the Union Government will take place. The building, which has been purchased by the Dutch residents of the city, was erected as a church by the original Dutch pioneers in fulfilldecision as to the changes which are advisable in the present system of defence, a subject which is now a matter for consideration.

India.

The new timing of the Bombay, Baroda, and Central India boat express from Bombay to Delhi calls for the performance of the journey of 849 miles in 24½ hours. Recently the train left Bombay 52 minutes late and arrived eight minutes ahead of time, thus completing the run in 23½ hours, giving an average speed of 36 miles an hour, and constituting a record for the Bombay-Delhi run.

ment of a vow. It stands near the Market-square, and had for many years been disused for ecclesiastical purposes. A sum of nearly £3000 was required to purchased the building and site and to restore it to its original condition.

At a meeting of the Rhodesian Landowners and Farmers' Association at Bulawayo it was stated that the Government had replied to the resolution passed by the Rhodesian Agricultural Union on the subject of the defence of the country, stating that the Government was not prepared to take action thereon pending the

The amount collected for the Hindu university to date is nearly Rs. 17,18,000. A revised constitution has been drafted on the lines of the constitutions of the Universities of Manchester, Sheffield, and Birmingham, and the proposed Aligarh University. Special provision is made for the representation on the governing body of the university of the Jain and Sikh religions and for instruction in those faiths.

A site in the Imrik Hills may be selected as the summer capital of the new Province of Behar. It is estimated that the cost would be about Rs. 15,00,000.—Standard of Empire.

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ROVERS LIKELY TO WIN CHAMPIONSHIP

Of Lower Mainland—Playing Westham Island Here Tomorrow Afternoon—Change in Line-up.

The championship of the Senior Soccer league will be decided on Moody Park Saturday afternoon, when the Rovers meet Westham Island in the last league game of the season.

The Rovers are in sight of the boal and are not going to take any chances of the championship going once more to Vancouver.

During the present season the Rovers have met Westham Island on two occasions, once at Ladner where they made a draw and again on Moody Park in a Westminster Cup game, which they won with ease, although by playing Tomlinson, the protest of the Islanders was sustained.

Manager Grant will have one of his backs missing in the person of Hotchkiss. The husky player has left for Victoria and it is probable that Bruce will be seen on the last line of defence.

If the Rovers win on Saturday they will have accomplished a feat such as no other Westminster team has done, that of winning the championship of the lower mainland, and a crowd greater than ever will no doubt be on deck to give them encouragement.

The big game will commence at 2:30 sharp.

DARKNESS CURTAILS TIME FOR PLAYING

Rovers and High School Matches Both Set for Moody Park—Benefit Game.

The soccer team of the R.C.H.S. are scheduled to play the Sixth Regiment

The Rovers are in sight of the boal day afternoon.

According to one of the Vancouver papers the game should start at 1:45.

Just how the high school boys expect to complete their game before the Rovers-Westham Island contest, which is to start at 2:30, remains to be seen. At the present time the time for games is considerably shortened owing to darkness setting in early and once already this season has there been a mix-up at Moody Park on account of the juniors not being able to complete their game.

Owing to the fact that the Senior league game is a championship one, it is not likely that Manager Grant will consent to start his game later than 2:30 and it might be well for the high school to arrange to start earlier or else agree to play shorter halves.

A benefit game has been arranged by the Junior Alliance between players from Westminster and Vancouver. The proceeds of the match will be turned over to S. Fox, a Cottage United player, who had the misfortune to break his leg a few weeks ago while playing.

The date set is Dec. 28, and a special committee will select the two teams.

STRIKES AND SPARES.

Lane's team beat Knight's in three straights in the House League event played off on the Front street alleys last night. Lane had high average and high score himself.

Lane:—	1	2	3	Ttl.
Brassit	126	115	115—	356
Wintemute	117	146	164—	427
Hayden	117	146	150—	413
Yeomans	122	165	128—	415
Lane	157	161	166—	484
	639	733	723—	2095
Knight:—	1	2	3	Ttl.
Haggman	119	168	93—	380
Knight	103	118	112—	333
Wallace	131	120	160—	411
G. B. P.	150	147	163—	460
F. Knight	127	158	147—	432
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AMATEUR HOCKEY MEN AND SIX TEAM LEAGUE.

A special meeting of the executive and members of the Westminster Amateur Ice Hockey league has been called for this evening in the Board of Trade rooms. The session will open at 8 o'clock.

Several important matters are up for discussion, especially that of making it a six team organization. President Lynch will be in the chair.

WESTMINSTER BILLIARD ARTISTS GET LICKING.

The Westminster cue artists competing in the billiard tournament invaded Vancouver last night but found themselves up against a pretty stiff proposition when they faced the Labor Temple quintette.

Coldicutt and Lye were the only men on the Royals who won their games, while the Labor men took the remaining three of the five. Williams of Vancouver had high break with 39. The scores were:

Labor Temple—Jimkins, 185; Williams, 250; Guy, 250; McQuillam, 208; Bone, 250.

Westminster—Coldicutt, 250; Reid, 234; Grant, 233; Pye, 250; Douglas, 193. Coldicutt had five breaks over 25.

Rugger Tomorrow.

The rugger team to meet the Firemen at Queen's Park tomorrow at 2:30 sharp will be selected today from the following: Smith, Lloyd, Marcon, Hoult, Chamberlain, Ford, Dart, Greame, Savage, Biggs, Loat, Railton, Andrew, Turney, Decker, Walker and Cairns. The committee will be glad to receive names of players now in the city.

SHAKESPEARE AND FOOTBALL.

Oh, yes, they played football in Shakespeare's time. Doesn't he make one character in "King Lear" address another as "Thou cowardly football player?" Yes, and here are some more quotations that seem to stamp the Bard of Avon as a side-lines rooter.

"Down! Down!"—Henry VI.

"Well placed."—Henry V.

"An excellent pass."—The Tempest.

"A touch, a touch, I do confess."—Hamlet.

"I do commend you to their backs."—Macbeth.

"More rushes! More rushes."—Henry IV.

"Pell mell, down with them!"—Love's Labor Lost.

"This shouldering of each other."—Henry VI.

"Being down, I have the placing."—Cymbeline.

"Let him not pass, but kill him rather."—Othello.

"'Tis sport to maul a runner."—Antony and Cleopatra.

"I'll catch it ere it comes to ground."—Macbeth.

"We must have bloody noses and cracked crowns."—Henry IV.

"Worthy sir, thou bleedest; thy exercise hath been too violent."—Coriolanus.

"It's the first time that ever I heard breaking ribs was sport!"—As You Like It.

As Mark Twain Saw It.

When Mark Twain was city editor of the Virginia City Enterprise, back in the seventies, he used to brighten up the columns of the paper with comic paragraphs setting forth the advantages of advertising. These paragraphs were based on all kinds of odd facts—on murders, on crop reports, on kidnaping, on the weather. One paragraph ran like this:

"Germany has just discovered a buried forest in her midst, supposed to be 10,000 years old. If the man who lost it had advertised in the Enterprise the chances are that it would have been returned to him that night."

First Wage Laws.

The first wages fixed by parliament in England date back to the year 1350, under Henry III. The wage was ridiculously low. Haymakers had but 1 penny a day; master carpenters, masons, tilers and other roof workers had not more than threepence a day. By 1444, under Henry VI, and 1495, under Henry VII, matters had considerably improved, carpenters, masons, bricklayers, tilers, carvers and joiners getting from five to six pence a day. So late as 1685 farm laborers received only 8s. 6d. per week, the other workers faring not much better.—New York American.

Ambition of a Henpecked Man.

"I don't know that I desire to rule my wife. I used to feel sometimes as if I wished to, but I have got over it," confessed skimpy little Mr. Hennypeck to the friend of his boyhood, "but once in awhile I do kind o' have an ambition to be as hoarse as she is."—Kansas City Star.

Get the Key.

Miss Vocolo—I'm never happy unless I'm breaking into song. Bright Young Man—Why don't you get the key and you won't have to break in.—New Orleans Times-Democrat.

Calmness under contradiction is demonstrative of great stupidity or strong intellect.—Zimmermann.

SEEK TO MODIFY ORDER.

Sanitarium Association Will Ask Post Office Department to Be Lenient.

Toronto, Dec. 12.—The order issued by the post office prohibiting the use of stamps for Christmas for patriotic or commemorative purposes will have a serious affect on the revenue of the national sanitarium association, if the strict letter of it is enforced.

Last year the association raised $16,000 by means of the Christmas stamps and it was anticipated tha this year the receipts would amount to $26,000.

The attention of the postal authorities has been drawn to this and it is probable that the order will be made a little easier. As it stands now it is very explicit and Postmaster Rogers says the stamps would not even be permitted to be stuck on the back of envelopes.

The Kaiser's Fortune.

Berlin, Dec. 12.—According to an article on Berlin millionaires the fortune of the German Emperor amounts to $5,000,000 in funds and $20,000,000 in real estate, part of which is in the capital.

Fires Damage in St. Paul.

St. Paul, Dec. 12.—Fire, which broke out tonight on the top floor of the McArthur department store, a three-story structure, caused a loss of $250,000.

IN DARKEST AFRICA.

Adventures of an Englishwoman In Wild Nigeria.

Mr. P. Amaury Talbot, a district commissioner in Southern Nigeria, who has arrived in London after nearly two years' travel in unexplored parts of Nigeria, gives an interesting account of his experiences in the Southern Nigerian bush — the home of witchcraft.

He was accompanied by his wife during this long journey, and large portions of the territory covered had never been visited before by a white woman.

Mr. and Mrs. Talbot found two "Lakes of the Dead," each guarded by an enormous serpent; and they visited a native town where all the houses were built of ebony and all the occupants were cannibals.

In an interview with Reuter's representative Mr. Talbot said:

"The Southern Nigerian bush, with its soft green twilight, dark shadows, and quivering lights is peopled by many terrors, but among these 'Ojje,' or witchcraft, reigns supreme.

Sometimes the terror of witchcraft will scatter a whole town. This happened at Oberekkai (Obetekkai—Crab Mud), once a large and prosperous place which stands on a tributary of the Kwa river. To-day it is deserted and dreaded, and, with rapidly advancing bush growth, is but a shrunken survival of former prosperity.

"Should the suspicion of witchcraft fall upon any one, only trial by ordeal can free them. The most usual one is that of eating esere, a poisonous bean, which almost invariably kills the suspected person. The ordeals of boiling oils, poured upon the palms of the hands, and of peppercorns inserted in the eyes, are far less dreaded.

One of the most interesting discoveries was that of the Lake of the Dead in the Oban country.

"After a struggle through dense bush we could see the edge of a sheet of water along the banks of which were the holes of crocodiles whose tracks covered the shore.

"The scene was a weird one; the surface was absolutely still, and round about were ten feet high bushes, with what were apparently great tufts of creamy flowers. These, however, proved to be nests of tree frogs.

"The place is a sanctuary for all wild things, for no hunter would dare to penetrate the bush to this dreaded spot. As we stood at the edge, gazing out over the water, its quiet was suddenly broken by a broad ripple, and little fish were seen to spring agitatedly above the surface. A great python was crossing, and this, we learned, shared with the crocodiles the guardianship of the sacred lake.

"Nothing, we were informed, must be allowed to trouble the water, or even to touch its outer edge, or famine and pestilence would ensue. Here, according to popular belief, come by night the ghosts of long dead Ekoi, to drift in sad companies hopeless and wailing over the surface of the water. Even in the bright sunlight the place has an uncanny look."

Describing a visit to a district where all the houses were built of ebony, Mr. Talbot said:

"The side of our tent almost touched a little ebony hut built over a large and gruesome-looking pot, the sides of which were ornamented with iron hooks. Before this, about breast high, and the length of a man, was a kind of altar, made of stout ebony blocks.

"In front of our tent door was a tall carved pillar, ornamented with strings of human skulls. The people all had the filed teeth and thin shrunken appearance which are always associated with cannibal rites. All our carriers said that not only was the pot in the little hut meant for the sacrifice of human victims, but the two hideous mud figures of a god and goddess in another shed on the further side of the carved pillar had had their heads worn away by the constant libations of human blood poured over them."

A Distinguished Educationist.

Great interest has been aroused by the announcement that the Prince of Wales is to go to Oxford next term. He will reside at Magdalen College, of which the president is Dr. T. H. Warren, who has occupied this post for the past twenty-seven years. Dr. Warren, who is Professor of Poetry at Oxford, is one of the most distinguished and best known men in 'Varsity circles.

A writer who has known Dr. Warren for many years gives the following pen picture of him:

"Dr. Warren is the soul of old-world courtesy, has charming manners, and soon makes everybody feel at home who comes under his sway. He captures the freshman by his unfailing tact and pleasant speech; he is nevertheless, one of the most dignified Dons in the University, so far as looks and demeanor."

How Elephants Are Fed.

Elephants in the Indian army are fed twice a day. When their mealt'me arrives they are drawn up in line before a row of piles of food. Each animal's share includes ten pounds of raw rice, done up in five pound packages, wrapped in leaves and tied with grass. At the word "Attention!" each raises his trunk and a package is thrown into its capacious mouth. By this method not a single grain of rice is wasted.

Old Age in Publications.

Recently The Times of London, the famous "Thunderer," printed its 40,000th number, having been first published in 1788. In a special article dealing with the story of printing it points out that the Oxford University Press is the only one that can produce a list of all its publications for 327 years.

Looks Like a Rabbit.

Australia's new stamp has a picture of a kangaroo gravely contemplating a tuft of "kangaroo grass," as the Government calls it, but scoffers say it looks more like a rabbit sticking its head out of a burrow.

35 YEARS FOR ALLEN.

Virginia Mountaineer Gets Severe Sentence for Shooting Affray.

Wytheville, Va., Dec. 12.—Thirty-five years in the penitentiary is the penalty Sidna Allen will pay for his part in the shooting up of the Carroll County court house at Hillsville last March, when five persons, including the presiding judge, the sheriff and the commonwealth's attorney were killed by members of the Allen clan, and a number of others were wounded.

Allen's nephew, Wesley Edwards, will spend 27 years in the penitentiary. These sentences were the result of a compromise this afternoon, following a verdict of voluntary manslaughter in the case of Sidna Allen for the murder of Commonwealth Attorney William M. Foster, the jury fixing the penalty in that case at five years' imprisonment. Allen already had been found guilty of second degree murder at a former trial for the killing of Judge Massie, for which he had been sentenced to 15 years in the penitentiary.

Another indictment pending against him for the murder of Sheriff Webb was compromised, by letting him plead guilty to second degree murder and take a fifteen-year sentence. The combined sentences make 35 years.

SUFFRAGE WILL COME UP IN REFORM BILL

Sir Edward Grey Says Government Will Support It—Mrs. Pankhurst Howled Down.

London, Dec. 12.—Sir Edward Grey, Secretary for Foreign Affairs, in a letter read at a suffrage meeting here tonight, re affirmed that woman's suffrage would have its chance in the government's reform bill. If Parliament adopted the suffrage amendment, he declared, the government would loyally support it, although the ministers were divided on the subject.

Mrs. Emmeline Pankhurst was howled down in an attempt to address a suffrage meeting at Norwich tonight, although admission had been by ticket to insure sympathizers.

Jury Disagrees.

Dublin, Dec. 12.—The jury in the case of the militant suffragette, Mrs. Mary Leigh, charged with throwing a hatchet at Mr. John E. Redmond, disagreed today, and the defendant was released on her own recognizance.

On Aug. 7 Mrs. Leigh was sentenced to five years' imprisonment for an attempt to set fire to the Theatre Royal the night before Premier Asquith was to speak from the stage on "Home Rule." In September she was released "on license," in accordance with the recommendation of a physician, who declared that her life was in danger through a "hunger strike."

During Mr. Asquith's visit to Dublin, and while he was driving in a carriage with Mr. John E. Redmond, Mrs. Leigh threw a hatchet at him, but it wounded the Irish Nationalist leader. At the time of her trial on the incendiarism charge she admitted having thrown a hatchet.

Cold in the East.

Toronto, Dec. 12.—Cold weather has prevailed today in Saskatchewan and Manitoba, but now shows signs of abatement. In Ontario and Quebec it is growing colder.

BURQUITLAM OUT IN FORCE TO SEE PLAY

Building Fund of New Church Will Benefit From Kindness of Amateur Dramatists.

Burquitlam, Dec. 12.—The Burquitlam Agricultural Hall was well filled last evening, when a performance of the three-act farce, "The Brixton Burglary," was given by the members of the St. George's Amateur Dramatic Society, New Westminster, in aid of the building fund of the new church about to be erected in this locality. The entire performance was highly creditable to all concerned, and the clever acting elicted continual rounds of laughter and applause.

An overture and music between the acts was furnished by the Burquitlam orchestra, composed of C. E. Cotching (conductor), and R. Newman, first violin; Miss O. Bunting, second violin; H. Langley, clarionet; A. Bunting, flute; Miss Bunting, piano; Freeman Bunting, bass. The entertainment was under the aegis of the local branch of the Women's Auxiliary, and will probably result in a useful addition to the church building fund.

Despondent Husband a Suicide.

San Francisco, Dec. 12.—Despondent because of a long separation from his wife, who now resides in New York, H. C. C. LeLonhauser, believed to be a wealthy mining man from San Diego, is dead here today, having committed suicide in a local hotel.

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THE FIRE BUG AND THE EAST WIND.

"No, I'll not burn my slash this spring,"
The moss-back logger said.
"I'll trust to God and luck again;
Expense is what I dread."

"It's time to hit the trail again,"
The careless camper said,
And left his little fire ablaze;
Within its leafy bed.

"I'll light another cigarette,"
The idle loafer said,
And chucked his old snipe in the brush
One end still glowing red.

"Let's punch the screen out of the stack,"
The donkey fireman said,
And so he did and all the sparks
Sailed blithely overhead.

"Come on, we'll dump our ashes now,"
The railroad trainman said,
The train soon fanned them far and wide
As on its way it sped.

"Good time to fire my slashing now,"
The thrifty rancher said,
And touched it off without a thought,
Of how far it might spread.

"I think I'll blow an hour or two,"
The restless east wind said,
Then liked it so he changed his mind.
And blew a week instead.

"Millions in lives and timber lost,"
The newspapers next said;
What made those fires all start at once,
We wondered as we read.

"It wasn't us. it was that wind."
The fools in chorus said,
So they're alive and loose this year—
We hope the wind is dead.

—E. T. ALLEN.

WANTS TWO DIVORCES.

Woman Has Two Husbands and Asks to Be Separated From Each.

Chicago, Dec. 12.—If two divorces for which she has applied are granted her by Judge Tuthill on Saturday, Mrs. Ida Hentz Downek-Klatt will have created a record in the Chicago courts, as there has never been any instance where two divorces were granted to one person on the same day.

The woman's first husand was William Lafe Downey. There was a separation after eleven days and she says that she understood shortly afterwards that he had obtained a divorce. Then she married Emil Klatt with whom she lived for five years. Suit was brought against Klatt on the grounds of cruelty and about the same time the complainant learned that she had never been legally separated from Downey. She asked the court to give her two decrees at once "to save time."

WILL DECLINE TO ARBITRATE MATTER

United States Answer to Letter of Sir Edward Grey on Panama Question Will Be Negative.

Washington, Dec. 12.—Forecasting the reply of Secretary of State Knox to Sir Edward Grey's note suggesting arbitration of the Panama Canal tolls question, it is authoritatively stated that the response will differ from the original position of Secretary Knox in only a negligible degree.

Secretary Knox is expected to make it plain to the British Government that the paramount consideration for the United States lies in the fact that the Panama Canal Act is already a verity that can not be overlooked and that the act has settled in advance the very questions which have been raised by the British foreign office.

Further, the reply will intimate that had congress not already acted, the United States Government might have considered a form of arbitration that would not, however, necessarily mean a reference to The Hague. The state department, so far as its view can be learned on this delicate point, feels that even had arbitration been conceivable before the passage of the Canal Act, such arbitration ought to be by and through American sources and not through a tribunal which in the nature of the question would practically sit on a prejudiced case.

This position of the state department differs largely from the view of President Taft who, shortly before the end of the last session of Congress sent a message suggesting that legislation providing machinery for testing the tolls question by foreign powers in the United States Court should be enacted. It is pointed out that the vice of this position is in its practical admission that Great Britain, even after the passage of the Canal Act, has some rights in the tolls question requiring adjudication. The president, however, in his message accompanying the signature of the canal bill receded from his former message by characterizing the British contention as leading to an absurd conclusion. All through the controversy, Secretary Knox has held the unequivocal position that the canal is American property and that it is for the United States to manage and control the waterway without dictation. He has not receded from the position he held even before the policy of the United States became fixed by the passage of the act.

Secretary of War Stimson, while favoring the taxing of American coastwise ships for the use of the canal, will cut but little figure in the controversy. After the tentative discussion of the British note is completed by the cabinet the case will rest with the president and secretary of state as the chief diplomatic officers of the United States.

The state department does not intend to hasten a reply to Great Britain. If Great Britain insists upon early reply, thus hurrying the diplomatic exchanges, present indications are that President Taft will, in the end, insist on the preparation of a special protocol by Secretary Knox admitting that grave questions are involved and casting the final settlement of the controversy into the Senate.

The fate of this action would be swift and certain. The overwhelming sentiment of the Senate is against arbitration without regard to party lines. Sixty senators are entirely opposed to arbitration, twenty-seven favor it, while seven have not committed themselves.

London Moderate.

London, Dec. 12.—The discussion of the Panama tolls question continues here along quite moderate lines. The belief prevails that solution will be found without any violation of the Hay-Pauncefote Treaty. The Westminster Gazette temperately considers the matter in all its aspects, concluding:

"It may be a domestic question between the United States Government and its shipowners whether the former collectively or the latter separately should pay their share of the cost of the maintenance and working of the canal, but the proposal to make the foreigner pay must raise an issue under the Hay-Pauncefote Treaty. If it is insisted that the treaty is valueless, then when we consented to abrogate the Calyton-Bulwer Treaty and restore to the United States the right of constructing the canal on what we imagined to be a stipulation of equal treatment for British and United States vessels we were victims of an illusion. 'These rules were adopted,' said Mr. Hay in his account of the negotiations. If these rules were merely, as President Taft argues, a variable pledge of a conditional favored nation treatment, what consideration did we receive?"

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The sure batter makes as few home runs as any player, but his work swells the score.

A sharp crack and the pale sphere soaring over the fence! What a shock it must be to the battery!

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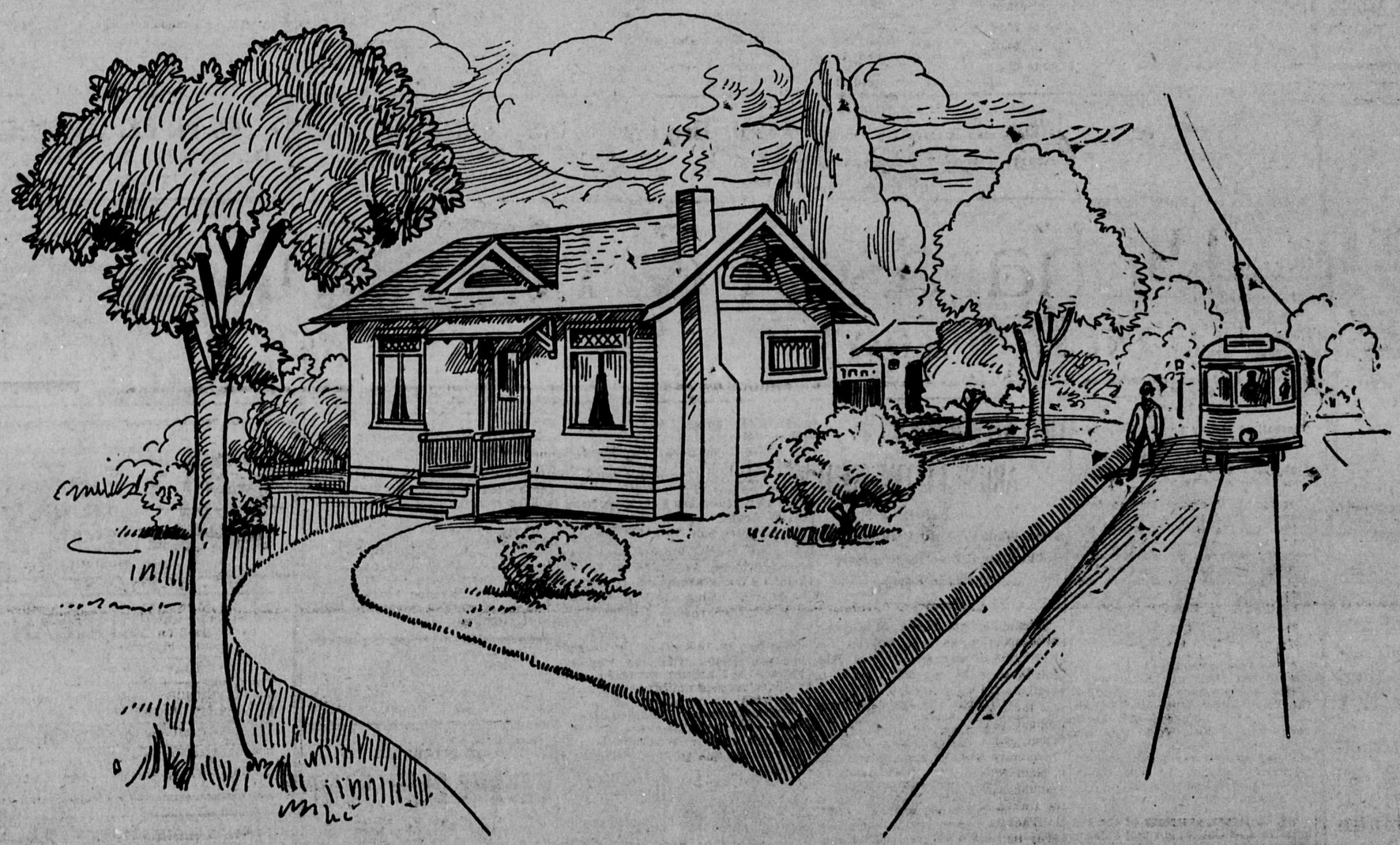

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LOCAL NOTES

Shop early in the day, and shop in New Westminster.

The Retail Merchants' Association will met in the Conservative club rooms this evening at 8 o'clock.

J. H. Todd's music house is open every evening until Christmas (263)

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Kennedy have just returned from an extended tour of Eastern Canada and the United States and Bermuda.

Several inquiries have been received by The News for 1913 calendars None will be issued from this office for 1913, however.

Order your Christmas Show Cards now. Brown, Trapp block. (253)

The regular monthly meeting of the Ladies' Auxiliary of the Royal Columbian Hospital will be held on Monday afternoon at 3 o'clock in St. George's Hall.

Take a look at the Christmas cards and booklets at West End Pharmacy 509 Eighth St. (269)

Skates sharpened and set at Geo R. Speck's, 626 Columbia St. (215)

Acting Magistrate Whiteside was on the police court bench yesterday morning in the absence of Magistrate Edmonds. One solitary drunk was in the dock and the usual donation was handed him.

Christmas Cakes. See our window Eighth Street Bakery. Telephone 281. (203)

Football at Moody Square Saturday Dec. 14th, Rovers vs. Westham Island Last league match of season. Kick-off at 2:30. Come and see the champions. Admission free. (256)

The Y. M. C. A. debaters will hold a banquet next Wednesday evening instead of their usual wordy battles. The following toasts will feature the function: The Profession, Debating Club, Y. M. C. A., Our Critics and the Press.

Velour, Beaver and Velvet hats, $2.95; ladies' trimmed hats half price. Mrs. Agret, 59, Sixth St. (271)

Mayor Lee is directing an investigation into the complaints made against the King's hotel. The findings will be embodied in a report and presented at the next meeting of the license commissioners for consideration.

Christmas Doll and Flower Show at Miss Daveys private millinery parlors today. All are invited. Mothers bring the kiddies. 204 Agnes street, nearly opposite St. Mary's hospital. (274)

Brown, "the Show Card Man," for Christmas Show Cards. (253)

The regular meeting of the Benevolent society was held yesterday in the City Hall. The reports for November showed that 12 needy persons had been given assistance during the month. This does not include children. The sum of $100 was paid out in all. Nine ladies and City Clerk J. R. Duncan, who is secretary, were present.

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The cement stairway leading from Columbia street to the Fraser river bridge and the Great Northern station is now completed and is a great improvement upon the wooden structure. Railings have been placed on both sides, while the steps are wide enough to obviate any danger of people falling down them.

From now until Christmas Gifford's store will be open evenings. (245)

A new real estate firm has made its bow to the public in Eastman & Walmsley, who have taken offices in the Westminster Trust block on the second floor. Both are well known young men of New Westminster and both are native sons. Mr. Eastman has had several years experience in all lines of the realty business and Mr. Walmsley has also been in the business before.

Mr. K. Myers, secretary of the Progressive Association, has just received official notification from Lloyd's, England of the receipt of information and data concerning the Port of Westminster and the Fraser river, sent out by him. Similar advices have been received from the U. S. Hydrographic Office, Washington and the Hydrographic Department of the British Admiralty.

Quite an ovation was given at Westminster Junction to Messrs Tom and Gus. R. Millard yesterday when both boys returned home from a sojourn in the Royal Columbian Hospital, New Westminster. Both are sons of M. A. R. Millard, the well known merchant of Coquitlam. They are deservedly popular and received a very hearty welcome from their friends Tom was a fever patient and Gus was the victim of a shooting accident.

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The ladies who are canvassing for members for the Victorian Order of Nurses are meeting with splendid success in their work, great interest being taken in the movement by the ladies of New Westminster. A meeting of the canvassers for the purpose of reporting progress was to have been held shortly, but on account of the busy holiday season being at hand it has been decided to postpone the meeting until the week between Christmas and New Years.

OBITUARY.

BLACK—With a large attendance of mourners the funeral of the late Mrs. Kathleen Black, widow of the late Dr. A. W. S. Black, formerly of this city and who died in Vancouver on Tuesday, took place yesterday from the Great Northern depot to the Masonic cemetery where interment was made in the family plot. Noticeable among those present were a number of the older residents of the city who had come to pay their last respects to a fellow pioneer.

SHEAVES.—The body of Miss Lillian Sheaves, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Sheaves, Sunbury, was laid at rest in the Church of England cemetery yesterday. Rev. Canon d'Easum officiated.

FIRST ANNUAL BALL WAS BRILLIANT EVENT.

Edmonds, Dec. 12.—The first annual ball of the Burnaby Board of Trade which was held this evening in Gray's hall brought out a true representation of the prominent residents of Burnaby together with a fair sprinkling from New Westminster.

Mr. L. M. Richardson represented the Board of Trade of the Royal City while a small delegation was present from South Vancoucer. The New Westminster Progressive Association and Fraser Valley Publicity League was represented by Mr. Otway Wilkie.

Dancing continued until an early hour, a special car taking the New Westminster people to their homes

SAPPERTON ANGRY AT ALLEGED DELAY

In Getting Firefighting Apparatus to Blaze—Wagon Sticks in Mud—Bad Pressure.

Sapperton was the storm centre of the city yesterday morning on account of the alleged delay of the firemen in making the run to the home of Mr. J. Saunders, corner of Sherbrooke and Eighth avenue about 7:30 o'clock.

The alarm was sent in promptly but, according to eye witnesses the one horse hose wagon got stuck in the mud on the way to the blaze and the flames secured a firm hold on the two storey building before the wagon and auto truck from station No. 1 arrived on the scene.

The damage is estimated to be about $1500.

Just how the fire originated is yet unknown but it is thought that the kitchen range was too close to the wall.

When seen later in the day Fire Chief Watson stated that there was very little presure of water to be obtained although the hydrants are situated not far from the Queen's Park reservoir.

The concensus of opinion of the many Sapperton residents seen yesterday afternoon, was not to blame the firemen altogether but the city authorities in not having adequate fire apparatus in this growing district of the east end.

It is extremely probable that if election meetings are held in Sapperton in the near future several of the candidates for election will be pointedly quizzed as to their stand in the matter of improving station No. 4.

TWO EDMONDS MEN NOW IN THE FIELD

School Trustee D. C. Patterson Will Stand for Reeveship—Still More Candidates Likely.

Edmonds, Dec. 12.—A definite announcement was obtained by The News this morning from School Trustee D. C. Patterson that he was in the race for the reeveship.

Mr. Patterson was the dark horse of the school board election last January and surprised everybody but himself in leading the rest of the candidates when it came to the vote counting.

This means that two residents of Edmonds are in the field, viz., Mr. B. G. Walker and Mr. Patterson.

That there are others who are marking time is known and before another weak has passed Burnaby will be in the throes of a spirited and most probably, a mud slinging election campaign.

Although Reeve Weart appealed to the electorate to settle and leave alone the B.C.E.R. franchise matter while discussing municipal questions it is almost certain, taking the remarks of Mr. Walker at McKay hall Wednesday night as a criterion, that a wordy warfare will rage over this question.

FUND GROWING BY LEAPS AND BOUNDS

Has About Reached $5000 Mark—Success of Progressive Association Campaign Assured.

As each day passes—or as a matter of fact, each hour—the campaign fund of the Progressive Association bounds upwards. The grand total in receipts and promises is now practically $5000 and still there are a great number of people to hear from.

Of this total $4412.50 is signed up and an additional $700 is practically certain. In all 33 $100 donations have been made while about 100 smaller subscriptions have come in, varying in sums from $75 to $5.

The members of the hotel committee conducted an aggressive campaign yesterday and though the returns from this source were not recorded last night it is expected that a considerable sum was gleaned. The industry committee members have prepared plans for a careful canvass of all the factories and workshops in the city and will start off shortly on their rounds.

COQUITLAM FAVORS SEVERANCE OF LOTS

(Continued from page one)

ed that the proposed diversion of the Brunette road to the North road, should be constructed in such a manner as to have at least 100 feet at right angles to the North road, instead of the acute angle shown on the railway plans; that the south side of the road allowance should be protected by a strong fence, or railing, to prevent accidents to vehicles and pedestrians, by falling over the bank. The roadway should be graded, gravelled and sidewalks replaced in such a condition as at present; that if it is necessary for the railway company to expropriate the roads, in the manner shown in the plans, the railway company should make arrangements with the owners of property adjoining same to relieve the municipality of any liability for damage, etc.

The report was adopted.

The municipal and school trustee election officials and polling booths were appointed. For Westminster Junction and district the Agricultural hall was made the polling booth with Mr. John Smith, returning officer in charge. This year it is thought expedient to appoint three deputies to assist Mr. Smith, owing to the expected heavy polling at the coming election. As there is no one safe from nomination as a candidate in the present civic fewer round the Junction, these particular appointments were delayed until next meeting, on the 26th inst. For Burquitlam Mr. George Alderson, North road, was appointed, and the Agricultural hall, Austin road, fixed as the polling station. Millside school house was selected for the Fraser Mills, and adjoining district, and Mr. Boileau appointed Deputy officer. It was explained that Mr. Boileau was chosen because of his excellent command of French and English, and as there are nearly 100 votes in Milliardville, the official designation of what is colloquially known as Frenchtown, this qualification was considered indispensible.

Mr. Whiteside, of Whiteside & Biddle, barristers, Vancouver, was heard in support of the petition of residents of D. L. 238 and 346, Coquitlam, to cut the municipal painter which held them to that community, for the avowed purpose of foisting themselves upon the new city of Port Moody. He expressed the opinion that these districts would be speedily settled up and the provision or roads, water and sewerage systems would entail great expense to Coquitlam whilst the resident material interests all lay with Port Moody, being really within half a mile of the sea at the head of Burrard Inlet.

The chairman having explained that the financial adjustment necessitated by the proposed disjunction would be a matter for the Provincial Government authorities, and Mr. Whiteside having agreed to include the fractional part specified, the council unanimously affirmed the expediency of cutting the sections mentioned adrift from Coquitlam.

The Licensing Board report recommended that a supervision should be kept over bartenders in the municipality to prevent them supplying more liquor to persons already under the influence of drink, and that the chief of police be instructed to see that no adulterated liquor was purveyed. These recommendations were sent to the police committee, indorsed, and Chief of Police E. A. Rounds was formally appointed License Inspector.

The licenses of the Junction hotel (T. Quilty), and the Coquitlam hotel (T. W. Rintley), were renewed. The new Queen's hotel (Seagrave's), will be opened next month at some date not particularly specified. It is near the Agricultural hall.

Mr. J. R. Mackenzie, chairman Ratepayers' Association, asked the council whether they had accepted the Dewdney Trunk road.

Councillor Hawthorne, chairman of the Board of Works, said the council had agreed to accept the road as planked, but nothing would be officially taken over until the works were completed.

The chairman amplified this information with the statement that the Provincial Government was responsible for its upkeep and referred Mr. Mackenzie to Mr. R. Bonson, Government Road Superintendent, for further information. The council would only do emergency work. Anything beyond that the government would recoup them for.

Mr. Mackenzie—So you have waived all right to a good road for a planked road. The planks are loose already.

Engineer Kilmer—We had to do that or the C. P. R. works would be held up.

The chairman—The provincial Government is responsible for that road.

Later it was stated to Mr. Mackenzie that the acceptance of the road, finally, had been deferred until the return of the reeve to business.

A sum of $2000 was paid to the credit of the school board.

The municipal meeting tonight in the Agricultural hall, Coquitlam, is expected to be a specially lively one.

TRUSTEE DISFAVORS DRAMATIC STUNTS

At Closing of School Terms—No "Votes for Women" Meetings in Buildings.

Closing exercises and how far they should be allowed to interfere with the regular curriculum was the subject of a protracted debate at the regular meeting of the school board last night.

The matter came up in a request for assistance from a teacher in connection with putting on an exhibition during the closing day next week.

While some of the trustees were were agreeable to granting the request Mr. J. W. Peck asserted that such affairs were allowed to go too far and the regular studies were interfered with. The school children in some classes he stated had been preparing for the closing exercises for two weeks past while the regular curriculum was allowed to slide.

He thought if the children were given an opportunity to recite their lessons and undergo slight examinations during closing day instead of pulling off some dramatic stunt it would be far more satisfactory to the parents, while the advantage to the children would be considerable from an educational point of view.

Other trustees shared Mr. Peck's opinions but it was decided to let things go for the present and make new arrangements for the future. In future the closing day for all the schools will probably occur at one time instead of having one school close one day and the other the next as they do at present.

An application from the Political Equality league for the use of one of the school buildings for meeting purposes was turned down.

Mrs. Gilley, who moved to this effect, stated that though she favored votes for women, she did not think the schools should be used for political meetings.

The monthly accounts were passed and ordered paid.

WEDDING BELLS

Miss Amelia Plester and Mr. William D. Allen were married Wednesday at the home of the latter on Leith street. Rev. M. G. Melvin performed the ceremony. After a short honeymoon they will be at home in the Mercer block.

Miss Ella Alexander and Mr. James H. Dougherty were married on Wednesday by Rev. M. G. Melvin of St. Stephen's manse. They will take a short wedding journey to Seattle and will be at home on Fifth avenue.

At a quiet wedding which took place at the home of the officiating pastor Rev. J. S. Henderson, Carnarvon street on Wednesday, Mr. Lawrence Ashworth of this city and Miss Mary Evans of Huntingdon were united The newly married couple will reside on Sixteenth street.

BIRTH.

JACOBSON.—To the wife of G. H Jacobson, City, a daughter. (268)

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