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C. de L.'s Answer To Municipal Leary.

Unavoidable delays made impossible an earlier acknowledgement of your letter in The Islander's issue of the 17th of December.

'Twas much as the prematurity of a municipal administration is patent to all; inasmuch as you have failed to produce a genuine argument to the contrary, and insofar as your desultory advocacy has but covered this really important issue with ridicule, I think its further consideration futile and unnecessary.

But your indictments of the McBride administration and incidentally of myself, I shall briefly consider in their various counts.

To your contention that municipal elections would represent minorities hitherto unrepresented, I beg to demur. Under the Act they would not. Minorities, whether Socialistic or Liberal, are ruled out by the majority's choice, whether the elections be Dominion, Provincial or Municipal. Under the present system of election you cannot eliminate the dissenting minorities; circumstances but alter their character.

Your derogation of my quotation, because taken from the Chicago press, cheapens but the dignity of your own reasoning. The authority I quote is above rural ridicule and contumely. It is no less than W. E. Eggleston, a Californian economic student of international repute.

I further beg to differ with the conclusions you draw from the Tow Hill incident. I hold no brief for McBride, and he needs here no plea. The very harshness of your criticism robs it of any weight it migh have had. Though the incident in question is deeply regrettable, it is but childishly narrow to hold a member or an administration directly responsible for the blunders of its petty henchmen and rat-hole, would-be politicians.

Of the same character are your criticisms of the Provincial deficit and the million and a half dollar loan covering it. The administration's action is justifiable and sound, and the smallness of the deficit is not only to be wondered at but by many it is deplored. For insofar as the capital borrowed at reasonable rates of interest, is intended for permanent, constructive development and its incidentals, the Province would be justified in borrowing not a million but fifty. Is it not plain to any one who thinks that the moneys so spent benefit the future as much and more than ourselves, and that when such debentures are covered by long term bonds the future but pays for value received.

For your facetious paternalism, your no doubt well meant advice, Sir, I thank you. But cold reasoning, clear logic, facts, figures and local data were what we wanted and would welcome. Demagogic hyperboles—in colloquial english: hot air—are too common in this our land. We want facts and we want truth, and we take it neat.

To your indictments of cynicism and lack of faith I shall in part plead guilty —But, tread only today. Speaking of the plain folk the great Lincoln said: "We do not stay fooled, but we can be fooled for a time." Even he, one of the noblest minds of the century, had grown wary of human nature.

We all carry, sacred within ourselves, the idealistic faith, the love and fellowship of our mother's inheritance. But in the course of human relationship we have learned bitter things. We know that truth courts inquiry, that faith loves light. Men, if they be men, give their faith readily, "whole souledly"—but they give it clear eyed. You quote me Kipling, Sir; perhaps you remember his lines:

"And little folk of little souls
Rose up to buy and sell again."

C. de L.

GRAHAM CENTRE

Messrs. A. D. Burton and J. W. Shaw of Kumdis Island, were recent visitors. Mr. Burton is putting several acres into potatoes this year and will be in a position to supply the local market in the fall. Go to it, A. D.

Miss Adam left on Thursday's boat for a short holiday at Vancouver and Seattle.

W. J. Rennie left on Saturday for Wright's camp at Lawn Hill, via the Yakoun River. He will be away for about two weeks.

Mr. John Boyes recently purchased the building erected here by Mr. Alex. MacTavish. With the assistance of Messrs. Allison and McLay, it is being converted into a comfortable residence and will be occupied by Mrs. Boyes during the summer.

The Secretary of the Settlers' League was lately the recipient of a full set of up-to-date blue prints of Graham Island, presented to the League by Mr. Wm. Manson. A number of pre-emptors maps were also received from Mr. J. H. McMullin, government agent.

Charlie Graham is now exhibiting excellent pictures taken in connection with the recent christening ceremony performed by Bishop Du Vernet.

An amusing skit on "a big native gathering," will appear in next issue.

Plan Improved Service For Islands

Capt. Nicholson, Manager of G. T. P. Steamships, Takes Matter Up With Government.

Weekly Service Starts Next Month.

Capt. C. H. Nicholson, manager of the G. T. P. steamship service, recently returned from a six weeks' trip to Montreal, Ottawa and other eastern points. The object of his trip was one of dual capacity, first to confer with the officials of the company in Montreal and secondly as a representative of the B.C. Ship Owners' Association.

Asked, when seen by a representative of the Vancouver World, as to the future policy of the Grand Trunk Pacific, in the way of further augmenting their steamship service on the coast, Mr. Nicholson was non-committal. He stated that just at the present time the plans of the company were not matured regarding the same and that there was nothing to be given out.

Seek Increased Subsidy.

"My trip east," he said, "was merely one pertaining to general business in the service for the coming year. I did however, await on the minister of trade and commerce and the postmaster-general, while in Ottawa, in connection with an increased service to the Queen Charlotte Islands. Mr. H. S. Clements, M.P. for Comox-Atlin, has also been much interested in this matter. Heretofore we have only been giving the island a weekly service during the summer season, and a fortnightly one in the winter. They ask for a weekly one the year around. To bring this about the company have asked that the federal government grant an increased subsidy.

"It was pointed out strongly the needs of these islands, which are enjoying the largest growth of any on the Sound, this being particularly the case regarding Massett Inlet. The government has promised every consideration of the matter."

Prince John Brought Big Crowd.

The Prince John had a large number of passengers on her last trip for Massett Inlet points as well as a large consignment of freight. The passenger list as follows: J. Brown, W. Skeene, L. M. Tugwell, F. C. Greene, Mrs. L. Brown, Mrs. Smith and family, C. J. Clayton, J. Adams, Mr. Drikett, Robt. Kidd, S. Ives, J. A. De Lisle, C. de B. Green, E. B. Webster, Mrs. Tugwell, W. W. Moore, B. L. Tingley, Charles Harrison, W. Vyse, Mr. Carter, Mr. Bowden, G. Fraser, G. A. Haines, Mr. Thwait.

Mayer Lake District Attracts Attention

Visitors From States Look Over Property and Are Pleased.

A party including W. F. McCumber, W. H. Erickson and A. J. Yaunt of Procter, Minnestoa, accompanied by Messrs. J. W. McCrea and A. A. McCrea, spent several days looking over the Shackleton property at Mayer Lake, more particularly Section 478, at the north end of the lake, with a view to purchasing.

The Proctor party, we understand, were exceedingly well pleased with the property and will no doubt purchase as soon as the title can be arranged. They also looked over the land on the west side of Massett Inlet and decided that Mayer Lake district was the best.

Mr. McCumber already owns 80 acres on Section 476, with lake frontage, and has filed on a pre-emption of 160 acres.

Mr. McCrea expects another party of land-seeker from the States shortly.

Bishop Du Vernet left on Thursday for Prince Rupert.

A St. Patrick's dance was held last night in Hastie's hall.

Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Wright left for Lawn Hill last Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Nash and baby left on Thursday on a visit to Rupert.

James Brown of Tow Hill was a visitor here for several days.

Rev. H. H. K. Greene will hold services next Sunday at Massett.

Sam Ives, after a short visit to Vancouver, returned on the "John."

B. L. Tingley and C. J. Clayton returned from the south last Thursday.

The appropriations for roads and trails in the Skeena District this year show a big reduction.

The Hon. Thomas Taylor, minister of public works, and Wm. Manson, M.P.P., will visit the islands shortly.

The new Mission boat for the Anglican Church will be launched from Campbell & Hazelton's yard at the Woden in a few days. It will be named "Iona."

W. L. Barton has a large number of men employed clearing the log-jams on the river and getting supplies in to the camp, preparatory to starting drilling.

A meeting was held yesterday to form a Ladies' Auxilary in connection with Aglican Church. The following officers were appointed: President, Mrs. Greene; vice-president, Mrs. Williams; secretary, Mrs. Mallory. Meetings will be held fortnightly, the first taking place at Mrs. Williams next Tuesday afternoon at Graham Centre.

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An Earthly Paradise.

In a few short months the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway will be completed from ocean to ocean, and there is the possibility that the owners will be constructing hotels and building steamships and other means of inducing travel. Tourists will go where they can obtain health and recreation, and we direct the attention of those interested to Graham Island as a most suitable place for a health resort. In no part of the world can be found the water-ways, sandy beaches, automobile drives, shooting, fishing, boating, camping grounds and ideal spots that we boast of on the Queen Charlotte group. With a climate that is health-giving, long summer days, lack of snow and frost in winter and heat in summer that we read of in the Eastern portions of the Dominion, there is a bright future ahead of the islands, and there is no reason why the people interested in bringing tourists to this country should not look over the ground for a suitable place for such a resort, where tourists might come in thousands for recreation and rest. Our halibut and salmon fishing grounds alone should command their attention. When the great English writer, Mr. Seton Ker, was here he stated that he never saw such a beautiful country in all of his travels, and he has travelled extensively. We are not boosting or booming when we state that the health-giving qualities of the woodland and waters need only be experienced to be realized. Other resorts may have their beautiful natural surroundings; but where are the enchanting and varied works of nature in more profusion than in this part of the world? It is an undiscovered land at the present time, peopled by several hundreds of pioneers. In the near future, however, we predict that the Islands will receive a great deal of publicity and attention from the Grand Trunk officials. At present they have not sufficient steamers to take care of the freight and passenger traffic on the Pacific Coast. With the completion of the transcontinental railway more steamers will be required. In another article in this issue Captain Nicholson referred in an interview to the growth of the islands and the necessity of a better steamer service. This is coming and after this month we can say good-by to the fortnightly service. The evergreen Sentinel Islands of the Pacific will soon be known and recognized as the ideal beauty-spot of the North American continent.

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District News Items

WODEN

A meeting of the Conservative Association was held here on the 5th inst. The meeting was called to order by vice-president J. Irwin at 8 p.m., with about thirty members present. Secretary Alan Jessup read the minutes of the previous meeting, which were adopted as read. The meeting was noted less for oratory than for good common sense. Several very important matters were discussed, viz., the building of a wharf at Woden this season; an experimental farm at this end of the island; plank roads, etc.

Mr. John Abrahamson, who is well known as an expert boat-builder, has laid the keel of a new model fishing-boat at Hazelton & Campbell's boat-house, which promises to be the popular model for 1914.

Messrs. R. Rupe and Paul Browas arrived home from Queenstown on their fast power sloop "Sunflower." The fact that they have not changed her name means the engine is running better of late.

Hazelton Bros. have just completed an automatic feed shingle saving device in connection with their band-saw, and are now turning out shingles that compare favorably with the product of any on the coast.

Mr. William Hudson of Holland Mountain, who is busy at present moving his residence to a more attractive location, seems to be credited by his neighbors with owning a house that has gone crazy with the heat, as each day it points in a different direction. We don't know where you are going William, but you sure are on your way.

Messrs. Geduhn and Holland, accompanied by their families, made a tour of the Echo Lake district on Sunday last and pronounced themselves very much surprised at the wonderful improvements there in the past season, not the least attractive of which was Mr. G. J. Campbell's new log villa, which reflects much credit both on the designer and the workmen who built it.

Mr. and Mrs. A. McCall, Mr. and Mrs. Reis Dill, Mrs. F. Holzer, Mrs. D. Hazelton and Mrs. Campbell were visitors at Echo Lake on Sunday.

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P. B. Bowden, representing MacKay, Smith & Blair, wholesale dry goods, etc., of Vancouver, was in Massett on business for a short time on Thursday.

Mr. Charles Harrison of Massett returned on the "John" last Thursday after a short visit to Victoria. While in the Capital Mr. Harrison had the pleasure of meeting a distinguished politician from the old country, at a dinner given by Attorney-General Bowser at the Empress Hotel.

COAL AND PETROLEUM NOTICES.

Skeena Land District—District of Queen Charlotte

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Dated February 3, 1914

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LAND LEASE.

Skeena Land District—District of Queen Charlotte Islands.

Take notice that I, Brydone Lorne Tingley of Queenstown, Graham Island, farmer, intend to apply for permission to lease the following described lands: Commencing at a post planted about 26 chains distant and in a westerly direction from the N. E. corner of Indian Reservation No. 4, thence east 26 chains to the Yakoun River, thence northerly along the Yakoun River 15 chains, thence west 16 chains, thence north 32 degrees west about 60 chains to the S. W. corner post of Indian Reservation No. 5, thence south-easterly following high-water shore line about 80 chains to this post, containing 50 acres more or less.

Brydone Lorne Tingley.

Dated January 3rd, 1914. d.f.p—Feb 4

LAND ACT.

Queen Charlotte Islands Land District. District of Skeena.

Take notice that Edmund C. Stevens, of Skidegate, occupation rancher, intends to apply for permission to purchase the following described lands: Commencing at a post planted at the South-east side of Triangle Island, Skidegate Inlet, thence north along shoreiine 10 chains, thence west along shoreline 10 chains, thence south along shoreline 10 chains, thence east along shoreline 10 chains to point of commencement, containing 40 acres more or less, being the whole of Triangle Island,

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Dated February 6, 1914.

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J. P. Meehan, agent.

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Skeena Land District--District of Queen Charlotte

Take notice that 30 days from date I, S. Neville Foster, of London, England, by occupation miner, intend to apply to the chief commissioner of lands for a license to prospect for coal and petroleum on and under 640 acres of land on Graham Island, described as follows: Commencing at a post planted at the South-west corner of Section 24, Township 7, thence north 80 chains, thence east 80 chains, thence south 80 chains, thence west 80 chains to place of commencement.

Dated February 3, 1914

S. Neville Foster
J. P. Meehan, agt.

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Synopsis of Coal Mining Regulations

COAL mining rights of the Dominion in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta, the Yukon Territory, the North-west 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 sub-divisions of sections, and in unsurveyed territery 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 lessee may be permitted to purchase whatever available surface rights may be considered necessary for the working of the mine at the rate of $10.00 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.

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The "Salal" Question.

Editor Islander:—The interesting letter of W. G. Carr on the question of "salal" should settle, for all time, the feeding of the cattle on the island. If the potato was once an "Irish flower" grown in the gardens, we should place "salal" on the clearings, or, better still, make a "climbing plant" of it for our houses and barns. Wonderful to relate, there are acres of it along the roads, and the 15th February, when Mr. Carr examined a wild bull's stomach, was not the proper time to tell whether the animal preferred the "salal" before green grass or clover. How the cattle thrive on "salal" which is green during the whole winter, can best be understood by watching the cattle take to the beach, where they eat sea-grass. If "salal" is good food, what use for importing hay and other provender during the winter? We have "salal" with us all the year round, and how cattle can find their way through thick "salal," is beyond my comprehension. Experience is a good teacher, and, if Mr. Carr has any respect for his stock, he will not feed them on "salal." It is the cause of constipation in cattle, and that is certainly not for their benefit. He is right in stating that imported cattle will pass the salal up as a flower or a weed. We all know that cattle will eat almost anything during a hard winter; they will pick up spruce, cedar and anything to keep life in them. An animal knows what is good food, just as well as we do; but my advice is not to stock up on "salal." When cattle will not take to a diet on salal it should be proof that it is not beneficial. I did not state that cattle eat it because they like it; on the contrary, I state that they will not eat it unless driven to eat anything in sight, and although not conversant with the habits of wild cattle, I know that newly imported stock died from eating it when they had no other food to subsist on. Every settler should provide for the winter with good hay, no matter whether we have a mild climate. We do no know when a hard winter will come, as it is showing in the South this year. At any rate, I would advise people not to depend on salal for winter feed for cattle, Mr. Carr, notwithstanding.

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MINERAL ACT.
(Form F.)
CERTIFICATE OF IMPROVEMENTS.
NOTICE.

"Thunder," "Spade Flush" and "Sadie" Mineral Claims, situate in the Queen Charlotte Mining Division of Skeena District. Where located on Collison Bay, Moresby Island, Queen Charlotte Islands.

Take Notice that I, Geo. A. Macleod, acting as agent for Ike Thompson, Certificate No. B.71724; J. S. McMillin, Certificate No. B.34543, and Ben Metcalfe, Certificate No. B.34540, intend, sixty days from the date hereof, to apply to the Mining Recorder for a Certificate of Improvements, for the purpose of obtaining a Crown Grant of the above claims.

And further take notice that action, under section 37, must be commenced before the issue of such Certificate of Improvements.

Dated this 19th day of November, A.D. 1913.

Geo. A. Macleod, agent.

d.f.p.—Dec. 24

LAND LEASE.

Skeen Land District—District of Queen Charlotte Islands.

Take notice that James Martin, of Massett, B. C., occupation merchant, intends to apply for permission to lease the following described land: Commencing at a post planted at the N.W. Corner of Lot 10, Block 44, District Lot 746, Graham Island; thence north 350 feet; thence east 132 feet; thence south 409 feet to the N.E. Corner of Lot 7, Block 44, D.L. 746, thence north-westerly and following the north boundaries of Lots 7, 8, 9 and 10, Block 44, to the point of commencement, and containing 1 2-10 (one and two-tenths) acres more or less.

James Martin.

Located Dec. 17th, 1913.

d.f.p.—Dec. 17

Skeena Land District—District of Queen Charlotte Islands.

Take notice that Frank Meldon, of Queenstown, occupation farmer, intends to apply for permission to lease the following described lands: Commencing at a post planted at a point 90 feet east of the North-west corner of Lot 996, Graham Island, thence east 15 chains, thence north 7 chains, thence west 15 chains, thence south 7 chains to point of commencement, and containing 10 acres more or less.

Date Dec 16th, 1913. Frank Meldon.

d.f.p.—Dec. 24

Skeena Land District—District of Queen Charlotte Islands.

Take notice that William Lional Barton of Queenstown, Graham Island, occupation mill owner, intends to apply for permission to lease the following described lands: Commencing at a post planted at the North corner of Block 35, Lot 746, Queen Charlotte Islands District, thence north 500 feet, thence south 540 feet, thence south 613 2-10 feet, thence north-westerly following the high water mark of ordinary high tides to the point of commencement, and containing 6 1-2 acres, more or less; said lands being part of the foreshore at Stewart Bay, Massett Inlet.

Dated January 10th, 1914.

William Lional Barton

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Situate in the Queen Charlotte Mining Division of Skeena District.

Where located: On Tassoo Harbour, Moresby Island.

TAKE NOTICE that I, James E. Corlett of Seattle, Washington, Free Miner's Certificate, No. 77730--B, intend sixty days from date hereof, to apply to the Mining Recorder for a Certificate of Improvements for the purpose of obtaining Crown Grants of the above claims.

And further take notice that action, under section 85, must be commenced before the issue of such certificate of improvements.

Dated this 2nd day of July, A.D. 1913.

James E. Corlett.

d.f.p.—Feb. 4

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