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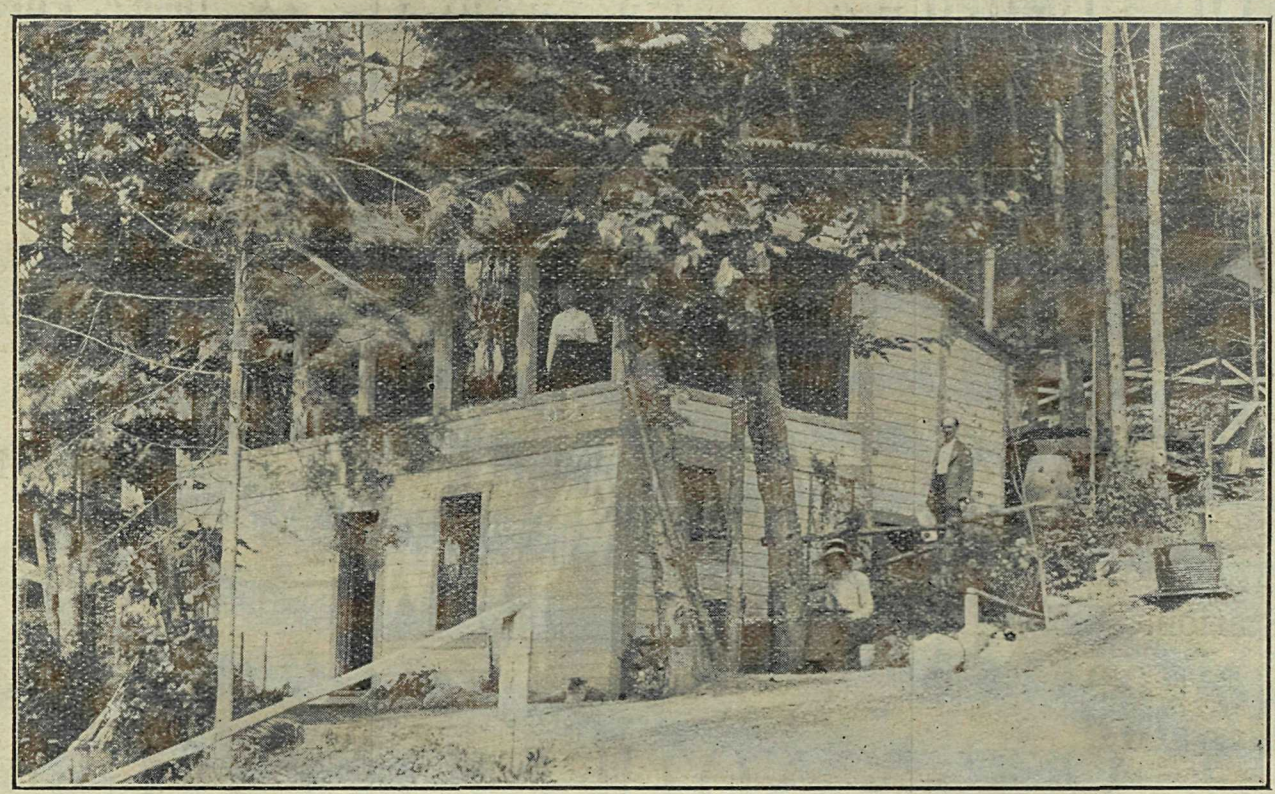

A SUMMER COTTAGE AT WHITE ROCK, B.C.

Dominion Government Returns for Port of White Rock, B. C.
Fiscal Year ending March 31st, 1913

Customs

OFFICERS

W. E. JOHNSTON, Sub-Collector.

A. J. SMITH. J. C. ADAMS

A. PORTER.

The fiscal year ending March 31st, 1913, shows an enormous revenue increase over the previous years for this port. The collections being $210,000, compared with $98,900 for the year ending March 31st, 1912. reports inwards numbered 15,500, as compared with 11,-355 for the previous year, and the reports outwards increased in even greater proportion.

These figures do not represent one-tenth of the importations into Canada through White Rock, as the greater proportion is bonded on the Victoria, Vancouver and New Westminster for clearance there.

Immigration

OFFICERS:

H. G. Lawrence, Inspector in charge.

J. C. Cornish, Inspector.

W. R. Barge, Inspector.

Outside Staff

R. Collishaw, stationed at Cloverdale.

W. Figg, Hazlemere district.

Fifteen to eighteen thousand people are, on the average, examined each month by the immigration officers at White Rock. Acutal immigrants seeking admission from across the 49th parallel average about 10,000 yearly. The following figures are the official returns of the immigrants admitted and rejected by the Dominion Government officials at this point for the year ending March 31st:

Immigrants admitted, 7878; rejected, 1990.

The month of April, 1912, took the record for admissions, the total being 1124, with 200 rejected.

Veterinary

DR. KENNETH CHESTER, Inspector.

At this season of the year horses and other domestic animals are not transported or freighted to any great extent. During the past three months 5073 sheep, 4 goats and 146 horses have entered the Port of White Rock from the United States, and have been inspected by the resident Dominion Government veterinary, Dr. Kenneth Chester.

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(By Pauline Johnson.)

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And we, the men of Canada, can face the world and brag
That we were born in Canada beneath the British flag.

Few of us have the blood of kings, few are of courtly birth,
But few are vagabonds or rogues of doubtful name and worth;
And all have one credential that entitles us to brag—
That we were born in Canada beneath the British flag.

We've yet to make our money, we've yet to make our fame,
But we have gold and glory in our clean colonial name;
And every man's a millionaire if only he can brag
That he was born in Canada beneath the British flag.

No title and no coronet is half so proudly worn
As that which we inherited as men Canadian born;
We count no man so noble as the one who makes the brag
That he was born in Canada beneath the British flag.

The Dutch may have their Holland, the Spaniard may have his Spain,
The Yankee to the south of us must south of us remain;
For not a man dare lift a hand against the men who brag
That they were born in Canada beneath the British flag

RECOGNITION—1.

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RECOGNITION—2.

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British Columbia.

Victoria,
22nd March, 1913.

Editor, Semiahmoo Gazette,
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The Beach is a magnificent strip of sand over five miles in extent.

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To whom all communications should be addressed.

The editor would be glad to consider contributions of local interest.

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PROGRESSIVE PROSPERITY.

The management of the Semiahmoo Gazette wishes to recognize the many courteous references in the leading daily papers and journals of the Lower Mainland which greeted the initial number of this organ; particularly to the New Westminster Daily News, which honored us with an editorial.

Enterprise is necessary in journalism, as in everything else, and it is our desire to be enterprising, but it depends on the support we receive how far we are justified in launching out

We ask all those concerned in the prosperity of this district to assist our efforts; and we hope that they will not forget that the CIRCULATION MANAGER is anxious to enroll the names of permanent subscribers.

The subscription to the Semiahmoo Gazette is $1.00 per year, payable in advance; this can be mailed to the White Rock office of the Gazette if so desired.

The interests of White Rock, Ocean Park and Crescent are so closely allied with the interests of New Westminster and Vancouver that prosperity and progress in this district means prosperity and progress in the two cities.

The business houses of New Westminster and Vancouver, both wholesale and retail, receive large orders, especially during the summer months, for groceries, camping outfits, and seaside goods of all descriptions to be shipped to the different points along the shores of Semiahmoo Bay. Photographers and jewellers are kept busy by the kodak enthusiast, who eagerly snaps the myriad beauty spots of this neighborhood, or hunts untiringly for agates, which, when polished and set in gold or silver, he presents to his fair friends; bathing suits for young and old, men and women, in the latest style and shade of color are in demand, and it is to the merchants of New Westminster and Vancouver that the residents, visitors, campers and holiday sojourners look to supply their needs, mainly, of course, through the local retail stores.

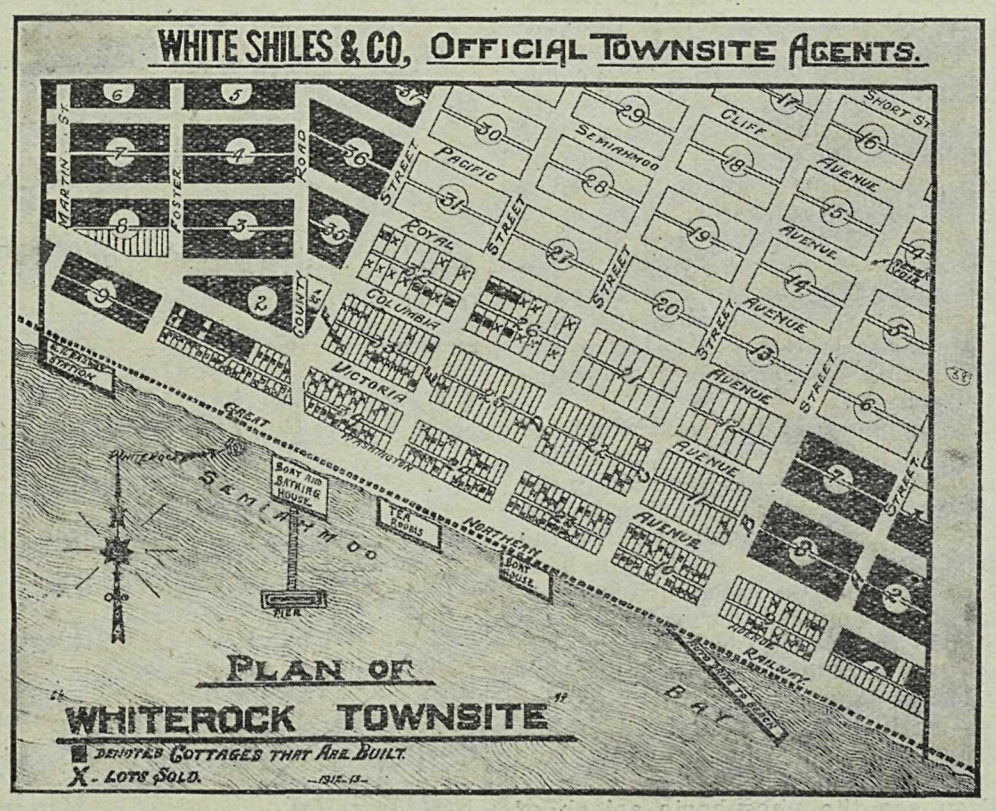
The patronage thus far extended to this publication by local residents and business men, and by New Westminster merchants, is appreciated by the management; we have every expectation of fully justifying that patronage and of receiving a still larger measure of support; our part will be to improve the Semiahmoo Gazette in every possible way and to endeavor to increase its permanent circulation as rapidly as possible.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

"The British navy, nothing. Why, if Japan or China sent a warboat to attack Victoria or Vancouver, Uncle Sam would soon settle the business."

Such was the remark made in the White Rock depot a few evenings ago by a man who advertised himself as a "true Canadian."

Elsewhere in this issue we publish a poem, entitled "Canadian Born," by the late Pauline Johnson. "True Canadian" should read, mark and learn the lesson it teaches. The faulty, il-



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logical, unpatriotic reasoning of the remark above quoted needs no comment.

The Semiahmoo Gazette is not in politics; but the naval question is not purely a political one; it is a personal, provincial, federal and imperial matter in which every true Canadian should join hands, irrespective of party or creed.

Over a hundred people from Vancouver, New Westminster and other outside points visited White Rock during the Easter holidays Sixty came down on the morning rtain on Good Friday.

Had the G. N. R. put on special rates there would have been more than double that number. We believe we are correct in stating that every other transportation company, steam and electric rail and steamship line, operating in British Columbia had reduced rates for Eastertide, the G. N. R. alone making no effort to reduce the holiday needs of the travelling public.

The B street crossing, White Rock Townsite, is entirely blocked up on the beach side with debris from the winter stors. We believe the G. N. R. are supposed to maintain these crossings and to keep them in good repair.

AN INTERESTING STORY POETICALLY TOLD

The above caption appears in the Leader, published at Pomeroy, Ohio, over a description of summertime in White Rock. Mr. S. W. Davis, a popular member of the local G. N. R. staff, is the author of the article, of which the following is an extract:

"White Rock, that most beautiful summer resort on the Pacific Coast, is one of the special places in British Columbia that seems to have received an extra amount of attention from nature. The wild, invigorating aroma of the fir, mingled with the fresh breeze from off the salt water, gets you before you have been here half an hour.

"It is two o'clock in the afternoon, and the tide is pouring in over the sun-baked sands. The train has arrived from Vancouver and New Westminster, and the crowd of pleasure-seekers have gotten off. In a short time all appear on the beach in bathing costumes. Some linger about the pier, a little timid of the water. The more bold make the high dive from the end of the large spring board. Above the splash and confusion you can hear the glad cry of the little tots in the shallow pools closer to the shore, or on the sand, having here the real play-time of their lives.

"The evening is the best time of all. The sun-browned, bare-footed children have ceased to race along the sands or splash in the lapping water, the sail boats have anchored for the night. The evening is quiet. You hear something and you listen. Some one, some happy soul is singing from a canoe upon the water. You get in your canoe and paddle out into the bay and you meet numerous other canoes laden with happy, contented folks, mainly young, and what a lovely place to be.

"You see the phosphoric splash of the paddle as it leaves the water, which looks like bubbling silver. Then you turn and look at the beach where you launched your canoe, and a dozen camp fires are burning brightly, sending little zig-zag trails of gold creeping from each fire to the side of the canoe. Then you hear a chorus from the camp fires, accompanied by the low, mellow thumb-thumb of the guitar, and you really feel that life is worth the living. Then you look up and you have drifted under a large cliff and high above you are long rows of various colored paper lanterns marking the verandas of the bungalows, and a phonograph strikes up "Marching Through Georgia," and how nicely it sounds, echoing softly over the shimmering waters of Semiahmoo Bay."

(The article concludes with a poem from the same pen, but owing to space limit The Gazette is unable to reproduce it.)

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It has been said that opportunity knocks but once at any door. This is not true; in British Columbia especially "Opportunity" presents herself again and again to every man. List to what the poet (Walter Malone), says on the subject:

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no more,
When once I knock and fail to find
you in;
For every day I stand outside your
door,
And bid you wake and rise to fight
and win.

"Wail not for precious chances passed
away;
Weep not for golden ages on the
wane;
Each night I burn the records of the
day;
At sunrise every soul is born again.

"Laugh like a boy at splendors that
have sped;
To vanished joys be blind and deaf
and dumb;
My judgments seal the dead past with
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LOCALS.

About one hundred visitors spent Easter at White Rock, a large number came from New Westminster and Vancouver, but Agassiz, Kerrisdale, Victoria, and other outside points were represented. The weather was favorable in this neighborhood throughout the whole of the Easter vacation.

Mr. S. E. Savage, recently of New Westminster, has accepted the position of manager for the Campers' Supply store on the hill at White Rock, and reports business as being brisk.

Considerable progress has already been made by the Hunter Company on their new mill at the mouth of the Campbell River.

Mrs. Chester, wife of Dr. Kenneth Chester, the Dominion Government veterinary inspector, arrived last week from Duncan, V. I., with her infant son, to take up her permanent residence in the new house which the doctor has just had completed.

It is reported that the old White Rock station building will shortly be removed. One half going to Crescent, where it will be placed in position as a waiting room, the other half will be sent to New Westminster to be used as a baggage department at that point.

The Rev. Newton Powell, of Kitsalano, gave a very interesting and instructive lecture last Tuesday in the hall of the White Rock Hotel. His subject was "The West Indies." The proceeds amounted to about $15, which will be utilized by the Ladies' Aid for the church building fund.

Mr. and Mrs. Kerney, of Dryden, New Ontario, who are on an extended tour of the United States and Canada, were visitors to their relatives, Mr. and Mrs. J. McConkey, of White Rock, last week.

Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Sands and family arrived from town on Friday to take up their permanent residence at White Rock Cottage.

Mrs. W. G. Tanner and son, returned to Vancouver on Tuesday after a visit of two weeks to relatives in White Rock.

Mr. W. P. Goard, accompanied by Mrs. Goard and daughter Ruth, together with Mrs. Heney, of Toronto, mother of Mrs. Goard, were visitors to White Rock on Tuesday.

W. R. Barge, of the Dominion Government immigration staff, has moved into his new residence which he has had built at White Rock near the depot and government offices.

A party of surveyors from Herman & Burwell, Vancouver, under the direction of Mr. J. L. King, are running lines at Ocean Park.

LATEST RAILWAY NEWS.

The report is current that the Southern Pacific Railway has concluded arrangements with the Great Northern by which it will run trains between Portland and Vancouver, B. C. The Southern Pacific plans to run its celebrated Shasta Limited trains from Vancouver to Frisco as fast through trains. At present these trains run from Seattle south.

The Great Northern is replacing the old rails on the coast line with much heavier steel, and the waterfront road north from Bellingham will be completed this year.—Blaine Journal.

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