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MRS. GOOD DIES ON WEDNESDAY MORNING

The death occurred early on Wednesday morning of Mrs. Eunice Good wife of William Good. The late Mrs. Good was very well known through this district where she and Mr. Good had lived for the past fifteen years.

Mrs. Good was forty-five years of age and a N. live of Wisconsin. She had been in poor health for the last year, but was confined to bed only during the past three weeks.

The deceased is survived by her husband and daughter, Jennie residing in Abbotsford; the parents, Mr. and Mrs. Nims, Sr. of Bellingham, a sister-in-law, Mrs. Nims, Jr., three sons, Joe, Guthrie and Arlo King; and a sister, Mrs. White, all resident in Bellingham, and also a sister, Mrs. Corbin of Lynden.

The funeral will be held at 2 p. m. on Sunday, December 31 from the Seventh Adventes Church in Sumas, to the Oddfellows' Cemetery. The following have kindly consented to act as pallbearers, Messrs. R. McCrimmon, F. McCrimmon, F. Culierton, C. Clauson and H. Grohnert.

Mrs. Good was very popular with a wide circle of friends who knew her to be a woman of sunny disposition and stirling character. The sympathy of the entire community is extended to the relatives in their sad loss.

Mr. J. J. Sparrow was at the coast on Thursday on business in connection with his starting up business again in the Abbotsford Feed Store. J. J. feels as tickled about opening up business again as a little girls does about a fine Christmas doll, and who can blame him.

The Post is purely a B. C. product, even to the making of the paper, which comes from the Powell River Mills.

Reeve J. Cook, of Sumas, has installed a radio at his home, and is highly pleased with the way he can enjoy his evenings, listening to the entertainment in such places as Los Angeles, Salt Lake City and other points in the States. He will be able now to tell, probably, what the electors are saying about the prospective candidates at the forthcoming municipal election, but they must talk loud. Messrs. Wright and Johnson of the Abbotsford Garage sold the machine and installed it.

INFORMAL FAREWELL IS GIVEN MR. AND MRS. ALDER

On the eve of their departure to make their home at Newton, Mr. and Mrs J. C. Alder and family were given an informal farewell by members of the Church and choir in the Presbyterian Church on Tuesday evening.

Rev. W. Robertson was chairman of the evening, and those taking part in the short programme included, Mrs. F. J. R. Whitchelo, solo; the Alder family and Mrs. Bedlow, quartette; Mrs. Alder, solo; Miss Mable Alder, solo; Mr. Alder, a reading and solo; Mr. Snashall, humorous song; James Downie, solo.

During the evening, Mr. A. McCallum, in an appropriate address, presented Mrs. Alder with a lovely silk umbrella, the gift of the members of the choir. Mrs. J. Parton on behalf of the W. C. T. U. made a short address and presented Mrs. Alder with a silver fruit spoon. Mrs. W. Robertson then pinned the W. C. T. U. pin on Mrs. Alder. Suitable replies were made by Mr. and Mrs. Alder, who expressed their regret at leaving Abbotsford.

A few words of appreciation from the girls of the Comrade Bible Class of which Miss Mabel Alder was recently a member were given by Mr. John Wright, the teacher of the class. Mrs. H. Fraser spoke of Miss Mabel Alder as an efficient teacher in the Sunday School, where she will be much missed. Rev. A. Harding Priest also spoke of the fine personalities of the family. Refreshments were served, and later suitable hymns were sung in community style, including one familiar to all, "God Be With You Till We Meet Again."

MERRYFIELD TO RUN FOR REEVE

MT. LEHMAN, Dec. 26.—Mr. William Merryfield will be a candidate for the reeveship of Matsqui this year, he announced on Saturday. From various parts of the municipality requests have come to Mr. Merryfield to be a candidate, and he has finally consented. The reeveship is at present held by Mr. Alexander McCallum, who has been in office for a number of years now.

On Wednesday at the monthly meeting of the Matsqui School Board Mr. Merryfield resigned as trustee, so as to be free to enter the contest. He has served on the school board for fifteen years, and for a number of years held the office of reeve.

ELECTION TALK IS POPULAR

Now that the municipal elections are nearing there is considerable talk as to who shall run and also in regard to policies. If the number of candidates in Sumas and Matsqui Municipalities keeps on increasing there is sure to be a plethora in both of the municipalities, with policies that are sure to help the electors see something tangible done for the taxes paid in 1923.

Among the many candidates running is our townsman, Mr. A. George secretary of the Board of Trade, president of the Poultry Association and general rustler for the public good, who has consented at the request of a number of his friends to run for one of the councillors for the Sumas council. He comes out with a policy of economy, but with broad ideas as to the spending of the municipal money. He says he has no complaint as to the record of the present councillor in the ward, but there is sure to be a lot of money spent in Sumas during the next few years and now is the proper time to plan for the future, so that more can be accomplished than would otherwise be the case. Systematic work looking to an ultimate result is one of the planks in his platform that should appeal to the electors. His services are always highly appreciated in Abbotsford, in whatever he undertakes and it is believed that as a councillor of the neighboring municipality he would work as much for the advancement of that community as he does with the organizations in Abbotsford.

Reeve McCallum of Matsqui has decided that he will again be a candidate for reeveship of Matsqui. At first he thought of giving up but so many of the electors have asked him to continue his good services to the community that he is again in the field to win. His opponent will probably be Ex-Reeve Merryfield, who has also given excellent satisfaction in the past.

That old municipal war-horse, Mr. Wm. Elliott, is again a councillor candidate against Councillor C. Bell. Councillor Gledhill will have probaby several to fight. But nomination day will tell the tale, as so will the candidates.

Huntingdon

The Huntingdon parents and friends were treated to a delightful entertainment by the school children on Thursday evening, Dec. 21. A programme of 33 items was presented, some by tots too small for school. Little Vera Purvis, bordering on 5 years, sang two songs with delightful charm and the true concert manner. Dialogues and choruses were given and much vim and humor, Mrs. Macrae and Miss Savard winning expressions of gratitude for their good work, not only in getting up the concert but for their devotion to the children's interests and welfare throughout the year.

MR. J. C. MILLNES WILL ADDRESS POULTRYMEN

On January 4th, in the Bank of Montreal Chambers, Mr. J. C. Millness, secretary of the B.C. Co-operative Exchange will address a meeting of those interested in the poultry industry, in connection with a campaign which is being started to increase the membership of the association.

Mr. Millnes will outline the efficient work and assistance given by the Exchange, and will be prepared answer any questions pertaining to the marketing of poultry products.

All those interested in the poultry industry are cordially invited to attend.

We call attention to the advertisement of the M. S. A. Hospital in this issue calling for tenders for groceries, meats, etc. Tenders to be in January 3rd.

Mr. F. J. R. Whitchelo is at the coast today on business.

PERSONALS

Mr. James Mitchell is spending the holidays in coast cities.

Mr. and Mrs. C. Spring and son, Brice, spent the week-end and Xmas in New Westminster.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Allan were visitors in Chilliwack for the holidays.

Mr. Jack McLean of Vancouver visited many old acquaintances in town during the Xmas holidays.

Miss Vera Hunt of Barrier, B. C. spent Christmas with her parents in Abbotsford.

Under the auspices of the Abbotsford Bachelors' Club a jolly dance will be given in the Alexandria Hall on Friday evening, January 5th, with the Abbotsford Orchestra in attendance.

A merry surprise party of friends and neighbors visited the home of J. Copping on Tuesday evening and experienced a most enjoyable time spent in music and dancing, songs and sociability.

Mr. and Mrs. Dan McGillivray and family of Alberta are the guests of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. McGillivray of Huntingdon.

Mr. James Pronoski of Vancouver spent the Xmas holidays with his parents here.

Mrs. A. Harkness and Master Walter McInnes were the guests of Mrs. W. Campbell of New Westminster over Christmas.

The Misses Elsie and Naomi McPhee have returned from school in Vancouver to spend the holidays with their parents here. Miss Elsie McPhee will spend a few days as the guest of friends in Vancouver previous to the opening of school.

Under direction of the Orange and True Blue Lodges of Abbotsford a dance will be given in the Abbotsford Theatre on Friday evening, January 12th for which special arrangements are being made. The Abbotsford Orhcestra has been engaged for the evening.

Miss Elsie McConnell of Vancouver is spending the Christmas holidays at the home of her parents in Abbotsford.

Mr. James Gillard of Vancouver is spending the holidays at his home here.

Miss Margaret McCrimmon, who is attending High School in Vancouver, is visiting her home here.

Mr. Walter Fosset of Hammond has been visiting his aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs Thomas McMillan.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Brydges and family were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Dickenson of New Westminster over the week-end and for Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. James Downie visited White Rock on Thursday, where Mr. Downie sang at a concert given in the evening.

Mrs. E. Scotvold of Tacoma, Wash., was the Christmas guest of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. McGowan and visited old friends in Abbotsford.

Mr. and Mrs. Moore and Miss Florence McPhee motored to Bellingham on Wednesday.

Miss Mamie Bailey was home from Vancouver for the Christmas season.

Miss Gertie Smith of Vancouver is spending the holiday season at her home here.

The special Xmas services held at St. Matthews were well attended and the church was beautifully decorated with holly, evergreens and flowers. Appropriate sermons by the Rev. Harding Priest with special music by the choir were given at each service. In the evening Stainer's anthem, "Oh, Zion That Bringeth Good Tidings" was sung by the choir, along with the Christmas anthems. All showed high appreciation of the vicar and the choir.

Mrs. N. Hill, Peggy and Boydell are visiting Mrs. Bernard Hill in North Vandouver.

Anyone wanting a good hunting terrier should apply to Mr. N. Hill the Royal Bank of Canada.

Services will be held in St. Mathew's Anglican Church at Abbotsford every Sunday night at 7:30. Rev. A. Harding Priest, vicar.

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J. A. BATES, Editor and Proprietor

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 29, 1922

We extend to the readers of this paper all good wishes for a Happy and Prosperous 1923.

The prospect for the coming year's business is much better than it was this time last year. 'Tis said that business runs in cycles. Last year we saw the period of decline after a period of prosperity, and during the past few months we have noticed the improvement of business in many lines. And if we are all united to make business better during the coming year it is altogether likely that we shall see ere the end of the year we have passed through the period of depression, and after the crops of 1923 be enjoying a period of such improvement that we shall say to each other that prosperity is again coming our way, let us make the most of it.

We read that conditions have been improving in the east for some time and that same confidence in business must eventually work its way to the Pacific Coast. It can't come too soon; and may 1923 see us enjoying again bigger and better business.

What are we doing these days to help out community conditions?

There is one community interest that should be boosted for all it is worth and that is the very best possible fire protection that can be put up. It is in the interests of all residents of this town that each others property should be safeguarded in the most efficient manner. Fires will occur, and have occurred that demonstrate the necessity of the best along this line that we can arrange for ourselves.

The protection of this town is not what it should be. We have gone so far, and then appeared to obey the command, 'further thou shalt not go'. A little should be added to a fire fund each year, so that in the course of ten years or more people would say of us, that we had an admirable protection for our buildings.

Let us make one good resolution for 1923, that we raise money for better fire protection.

The saying that 'politics make strange bedfellows' will be most truly exemplified should the Farmer party of this province have added to their numbers, those who are for 'keeping Bowser down' and those who are for 'keeping Oliver out'. It will be the strangest bed in which politicians ever kept each other company. Just think of the divergence of opinion and how long it would last! How do you suppose it could be controlled long enough to formulate a policy. There sure would be an awful noise—a regular Bedlam of choruses. And we are not sure but that it would be worse than the present 'Bed of Justice' at Victoria, where everybody goes to sleep and lets the affairs of the country drift at its own sweet will. In either cases we would not know what was doing. But big noises always attract attention.

There certainly is not any objections to the farmers of the country having a party of their own, if they so desire, but to include the malcontents therein would be to defeat the object for which the party was formed. The two older parties will be that much stronger without the discordant ones. The farmers of the country may not be getting as fair treatment as they think they should be but nothing can be gained by the bringing in of a strange discord into the organization.

While there are many who would support the Farmer party in their desire to secure legislation that will protect and better their condition, it is not likely that a number of disgruntled Liberals and more disgruntled or disappointed Conservatives would help out the cause of the Farmer party.

It is a free country, and while a great many are of the opinion that two parties—the Liberals and the Conservatives—should be enough to gain good government, there is no law against the Farmers starting up a party of their own provided they feel that they cannot secure legislation from either of the older parties that will place them in a position to demand that they have better conditions as to the marketing of their product, especially. Unfair legalized competition for the farmer is placing him in a position that does not bode well for the interests of agriculture in this province; and agriculture in its various phases is the largest interest in this province at the present time. There is always this to say too about that interest, that when the farmer is prosperous the residents of towns and villages have a better chance for fair trade conditions.

But if the farmers of the province wish to have a party of their own, we want to see them tackle the two older parties without a handicap.

THE PROTECTION OF ROSES FOR WINTER

The rose is, perhaps, the most popular flower in Canada and in other countries and many thousands of after the first Winter and, while plants are set out each year. In Canada, unfortunately, a large proportion of those planted never live others survive for a few days, they eventually are Winter killed. By the planting of the hardiest varieties there will be much better success in many cases than there is at present where hardiness is often not taken into consideration when planting, yet, except in the mildest parts of British Columbia, the protection of roses in Winter is necessary, if we are to prolong the life of the best sorts.

Various methods of protection are recommended, and all of them have points of merit, but the seasons vary so much that a method of protection that will give success one year may prove a failure the next. With over thirty years' experience in Wintering roses at Ottawa the conclusion reached is that soil will give the best protection taking one year with another.

On the exposed prairies, where there is little snow and great cold, it is desirable to cover the entire plant with soil and to build up a mound of soil with a broad base over the roots and about the lower part of the canes. This mound of soil will often prevent root-killing and will also ensure the lower part of the canes coming through alive.

In other parts of Canada where there is more snow or in milder parts of Canada where protection is necessary, the bending of the canes down and holding them down with soil may be sufficient, though it will be safer to protect the base and roots with a mould of soil in case there may be severe weather or little snow. At Ottawa this plan is followed, the mound being made ten to twelve inches high. Leaves or brush are then put over the exposed part of the canes. In Winters with little snow and when low temperatures come early in the season the canes will be killed to the mound of soil, but, as a rule, the part of the cane in the soil remains alive, and in the Spring the bushes are pruned back to the uninjured part, and strong growth and abundance of fine blooms will be obtained.

In the case of climbing roses, which may be very difficult to protect with soil, it has been found that if a long bottomless box is put over the canes after they have been laid down and then this filled with dry leaves and the top put on so rain will not get in, the canes will, as a rule, come through well, but very early in the Spring the lid should be lifted in order that air may get in and dry off the canes so as to prevent the development of disease. —W. T. Macouin, Dominion Horticulturist.

ROD AND GUN

The January issue of **Rod and Gun in Canada**, the opening number for 1923, sets a high standard for the subsequent issues to equal. This number is now on sale, and it should please exery sportsman. An assortment of splendid features greets the reader. Bonnycastle Dale excels himself in his splendid contribution, "A Christmas Days Duck Hunting," while "A Trip up the Taku River" is another that is almost sure to please. Harry M. Moore, the gifted Canadian writer, has never written a better story than "Bones," which is another big attraction in this issue. The various department, the diversity of features, the fine illustrations—all these help to make up a magazine of quality and excellence.

Rod and Gun in Canada is published monthly at Woodstock, Ontario by W. J. Taylor, Limited.

Railway News

Montreal. — On August 23rd, George H. Ham, "the Grand Old Man of the Canadian Pacific," celebrated his seventy-fifth birthday and received congratulations from all over Canada.

Vancouver.—Railways in Canada are in an excellent position to handle the bumper grain crop of the prairie provinces. There are also 10,000 cars in the western division of the C.P.R. ready to handle grain moving westward from the prairie grain fields, officials of the railway state.

C. A. Cotterell, assistant general superintendent of the C.P.R. western lines, stated that heavy shipments will be made to the Orient through this port.

Toronto.—American tourists last year spent $75,000,000 in Canada, according to an estimate made in an official report of the Dominion Government's Parks Department.

Last year more than 100,000 tourist motor cars entered Canada; that would mean upward of half a million tourists. This year the number will be much greater, for the tide is growing rapidly. The railways are having a very busy season.

Winnipeg.—After a careful survey of reports received from C.P.R. agents throughout the West, it is estimated that this year's crop will approximate 317,000,000 bushels, according to the weekly crop report of the C.P.R. agricultural department issued here.

Reports indicate that the Western crop generally is turning out well. Even in areas where poor yields were looked for, the conditions have proved better than anticipated.

Vernon.—Present indications are that the 1922 British Columbia apple crop will total about 2700 or 3000 cars.

Last season was the province's big crop year, when approximately 3500 cars were packed out.

The C.P.R. has made many provisions to take care of the valley's transportation demands. On nearly every side between here and Calgary refrigerator cars are waiting to be shunted to the packing houses, while houses are well stocked.

Calgary.—While Calvin Coolidge, Vice-President of the United States, was not inclined to talk about trade relations, tariffs or anything of that nature when he arrived here on the Trans-Canada train of the Canadian Pacific Railway, he waxed most eloquent in his praises of Banff and Lake Louise and of the Canadian Rockies along the route by which he had travelled.

"No wonder you Canadians are proud of your mountains," he asserted; "they are magnificent."

The Vice-President spent some time in conversation with J. M. Cameron, general superintendent of the Alberta Division of the C.P.R.

Montreal.—According to a joint circular issued by the Canadian Pacific Railway and Canadian Pacific Steamships Limited, Mr. Allan Cameron is appointed Oriental manager, with office at Hong Kong, effective October 1.

It is understood that Mr. Cameron will be in charge of both traffic and operating departments. The extensive growth in recent years of Canadian Pacific activities in the Orient, with enlarged fleets and services which have added Manila to the ports of call, has involved also the transfer of the administrative headquarters from Yokohama to Hong Kong. Mr. Cameron is familiar with Hong Kong, as from January, 1901, to September, 1905, he was located there as general agent of the Asiatic business of the Oregon Railway and Navigation Company's line of steamers.

Mr. Cameron's first connection with the Canadian Pacific Railway was at Winnipeg as clerk of the local freight office in 1887.

Moose Jaw.—D. C. Coleman, vice-president of the Canadian Pacific Railway Company, was a visitor in the city for a few hours, while en route to Victoria.

Mr. Coleman made the announcement that the Canadian Pacific Railway Company had leased the last of its terminal elevators at the head of the Great Lakes, on a long term lease, to the Consolidated Elevator Co. interests. The capacity of the elevator is eight million bushels. The lessees will assume possession on September 1.

The leasing of the elevator is in conformity with the announced intention of the railway executives to go out of the terminal elevator business.

Asked as to the completion of the Assiniboia-Lethbridge line gap, Mr. Coleman stated that it was anticipated that the gap would be completed late this fall Much, however, would depend on whether the contractor would be able to hold his men during the harvest season.

Relative to the grading on the line from Consul east, Mr. Coleman stated that the first thirty miles had been completed and the contractor was now working on the second thirty miles.

SUPERLATIVE VALUE

How a combination of three papers in one, such as The Family Herald and Weekly Star of Montreal, can be produced and delivered to subscribers at the low price of two dollars a year, remains an unsolved mystery to the reading public. In each issue of this seventy-two page weekly there is a complete farm journal, a home magazine containing seven days' reading for every member of the family, and a weekly digest of world news.

If this were not enough, we now read an announcement by the publishers of The Family Herald that for a limited period they are offering each new subscriber a choice of five valuable books, cost free. Present subscribers who send in one new subscription to The Family Herald in addition to their own renewal also qualify for a book. Any one of the following books may be selected: (1) "The New Farmer's Manual," compiled and published by The Family Herald and Weekly Star, without question the best book of reference ever offered to the Canadian farmer; (2) "The Family Herald Cook Book" complete scientific but non-technical; (3) "100 of the Best Songs"; (4) "100 Singing Games"; (5) "Album of Sacred Songs."

The fact is emphasized that these valuable books will not be sold for cash at any price, but can be obtained only as a reward for new subscriptions at the rate of two dollars per year. The supply is said to be limited, but the publishers guarantee delivery provided the new subscription is received by December 31.

An eminent K. C., in a first class non-smoking compartment on an English train, was annoyed by a stranger who entered and lighted a strong cigar. The K.C. remonstrated. The stranger ignored him. The legal light, in order to acquaint the fellow with the enormity of his offense, took out his card and handled it to him. The Stranger put the card in his pocket and went on smoking. Eventually the train pulled up and the raging K. C. rose to his feet. At the same moment the stranger hurried out of the carriage and vanished.

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Rice Fields of Japan

(1) The harvest time when the whole family goes in the fields to help gather in the crop. The water has been allowed to run off the fields and the straw is cut close to the ground.
(2) They clean the grain with busy fans and a bright smile.
(3) The young rice shoots are planted by hand by girls who wade in the warm, muddy water that covers the field.
(4) The water wheel that floods the rice fields.
(5) The primitive rice mill.

IT would be with great surprise that most Canadians learned that, taken the world over, rice is a more important food product than wheat. Nevertheless, the statement is true. Asia's teeming millions consume more rice than other people do wheat. Therefore, Japan, as the world's greatest rice producing country is to millions of Asiatics the world's granary as Canada begins to be to the world of wheat eaters.

But Japan is a small country; it has to do its farming in an intensive way, every acre of its soil must be put to use, and every available unit of its millions of man, woman and child power must work to keep the land productive. That is why most of the actual work in the rice fields is done by girls, girls who smile and chatter as though everlastingly wading in the glorified mud puddles of rice fields were a jollification rather than a labor. But the smile is characteristic of the Japanese, working or playing. It is a national trait. During most of the year Japan is a smiling land, and no doubt the people come by their propensities honestly enough.

Rice is grown in water-covered fields. If the water isn't there in the first place it has to be pumped up by curious little water treadwheels of one-man power. These are always worked by men because it is one of the easiest jobs on the rice farm. After the fields are covered by about a foot of dirty water they are ploughed. This also is a man's job, and a man usually does it, probably because the ox that draws the plow needs that kind of talking to. Then the girls step in—half way to their knees they go into the mud and water and by hand they plant the thousands of little rice plants that go to make up a field and through the succeeding months of the year they cultivate the water covered fields with hoes that seem too big for the little hands that hold them.

The grain ripens to harvest, and the fields are drained off, and after the men have cut it down with scythes the girls and children again take up their labors.

Threshing is a primitive operation. Large metal combs stand in wooden frames and the straw is first pulled through these, the ears of grain being torn from the straw in the process. The threshing is done by flails and the straw is cleaned by large fans in the hands of girls. It is then ground to flour by hammering with heavy wooden mallets or in primitive hand mills, and finds its way to the table in countless curious and delectable forms, such as only Japanese cooks know.

Japan is always lovely and interesting to the Western visitor, but never more so than when the rice harvest is under way.

ADDRESS TO A MOUSE

On Turning up her Nest with a Plough, November, 1785.

Wee sleekit, cowrin', tim'rous beastie
Oh, what a panic's in thy breastie!
Thou needna' start awa' sae hasty,
Wi' bickering brattle!
I wad be laith tae rin and chase thee
Wi' murd'ring prattle!

Thy wee bit housie, too, in ruin!
Its silly wa's the win's are strawin'!
An' naething now to big a new ane
O foggage green!
An' bleak December's winds ensuin'
Baith snell an' keen!

Thou saw the fields laid bare and waste,
And weary Winters comin' fast,
And cozie here, beneath the blast,
Thou thought to dwell,
Till, crash! the cruel coulter past
Out through thy cell!

That wee bit heap o'leaves and stibble
Has cost thee mony a weary nibble!
Now thou's turned out for a' thy trouble,
But house or hauld,
To thole the Winter's sleety dribble
An' cranreuch cauld.

But, Mousie, thou are no thy lane,
In proving foresight may be vain;
The best laid schemes of mice and men
Gang aft agley,
And lea'e us nought but grief an' pain
For promised joy.

—Robert Burns.

The following horticultural note was noticed in an exchange the other day. It reads: "The trouble in the Garden of Eden wasn't caused by an apple—but by a green pair."

Brew a cup of Celery King
a "tea" of Nature's own herbs and roots,—the finest laxative and blood purifier you can get. It gently cleanses the system of all impurities, banishes headaches, etc. 30c and 60c packages, at druggists.

A Croupy Cough
brings dread to the mother's heart. For safety's sake, keep a bottle of Shiloh, the old time remedy, at hand. A very few drops makes the cough easier at once, and taken regularly gives complete relief. 30c, 60c and $1.20. All druggists.
SHILOH FOR COUGHS

Miss Mable Gould Will Open Studio

(From Fraser Valley Record)

Next week, or to be exact, on next Tuesday, January 2nd, the business field of Mission City will be invaded by a young lady, in the person of Miss Mabel Gould, who will open the Maybelle (formerly the Forsyth) Studio and carry on business for herself as Photographer.

Miss Gould enters the business life of the town with considerable experience having spent a year and a half in one of the best studios in Alberta, and nine months in Victoria, so that she is no novice as a photographer. She states that she understands all departments of the work.

As the first young lady to start in business in the town for herself it is hoped that the former patrons of the Forsyth Studio and as many more who wish to get first-class work will give her an opportunity to make good at her chosen calling.

The community needs a photographer and all will join with this paper in wishing Miss Gould success in her new undertaking.

DOLLS OF 1,900 YEARS AGO

There has just come into the possession of the Berlin Museum a group of ancient objects which were discovered in the tomb of a little girl of the period of the Emperor Tiberius, that is to say, some 1900 years ago.

There was a coin of Tiberius in the dead child's hand—the fee to give the ferryman for the crossing to the other side. There was a box containing her little dolls. There was a little doll's table, too, a doll's tiny glass amphora. The little girl had dressed her dolls, and had "made them up," for there was a little box of cosmetics with a picture on the cover.

Evidently the dolls descended to her from other hands, and must have been a family treasure. She was fond of playing with bricks. The box contained some little cubes painted in four colors. There was a little gold brooch, probably one she wore at parties, of the most delicate filigree work, and a gold bracelet. All the things seem to have been put there by a mother who knew how to find the way to a child's heart.

As the year 1922 draws to a close we should all feel thankful for something, that is if we wish to be in the spirit of the season. Here are a few suggestions for thankfulness:

That women don't chew tobacco.

That water never makes a fellow very sick or thirsty.

That autos don't eat oats.

That most people who attend the picture show dislike garlic.

That Christmas is not once a month.

Railway News

Montreal—It was announced at the head office of the Canadian Pacific Railway at Windsor Street Station here, that free transportation would be granted by that Company to all relief supplies for the sufferers from forest fires in Northern Ontario when consigned to the Cobalt Relief Commission, at Cobalt, Ontario. These supplies will be accepted by the railway at any point on the Canadian Pacific system, and will be rushed forward without delay.

Winnipeg—From September 1 to October 5, the C.P.R. has marketed 68,272,864 bushels of grain, according to a statement issued at the local offices. During the same period 35,484 cars were loaded, which is the equivalent to 51,180,789 bushels. The previous highest figures recorded were in 1915, when the company marketed 32,023,000 bushels and loaded 22,472 cars, which is equal to 29,887,760 bushels.

Penticton—After more than a quarter of a century of service on Canadian Pacific boats on British Columbia inland waters, Capt. George Robertson made his last trip on Saturday, and when the Sicamous tied up at the Penticton dock that evening the captain passed down the gangplank for the last time in an official capacity.

Captain Robertson is from now on a fruit rancher, and he proposes to lead the simple life on the ten-acre property which he purchased on The Bench three or four years ago.

His career in marine circles in British Columbia is a lengthy and honorable one and dates back nearly forty years.

Halifax—The many friends in Halifax and Dartmouth will be pleased to learn of the success of Edward Everett Beck, formerly of Dartmouth, but now residing in Vancouver. He has just been appointed manager to the Hotel Vancouver. Mr. Beck is a son of Mrs. Beck-Lydiard, Dartmouth. He has three brothers, Charles A., Dartmouth; Harry, Middle Musquodoboit, and Archibald in Winnipeg.

Going to Vancouver from Halifax, where he was a stockbroker, Mr. Beck has seen the Hotel Vancouver grow from a small brick building to the present fifteen storey fireproof structure.

Famous men and women from all parts of the world have been cared for by the smiling official during his service with the company.

Winnipeg—September records of the handling of the season's crop afford a remarkable demonstration of efficiency in grain handling by railroads, elevators and by the human element that plans and directs. Compared with other years the September movement far surpasses all previous records. All over the west long trains are carrying the current of wheat to the lake front and thence to the markets of the world.

Feeding the transportation routes are thousands of threshing outfits which during the recent fine weather have been operating in every district from early morning until dark.

A summary of the Winnipeg inspections shows the magnitude of the movement as compared with 1921:

	Sept. 1922	Sept. 1921
Cars of wheat	39,344	26,756
Oats	919	1,590
Barley	2,081	1,638
Flax	52	89
Rye	2,027	469
Total	44,456	30,463

Calgary, Alta.—Many farmers in the irrigated districts in southern Alberta have every reason to be satisfied with the result of their season's work, according to G. H. Hutton, superintendent of the agricultural and animal industry branch of the Canadian Pacific Department of Natural Resources in Calgary, who has returned after a visit to that section of the province. The yield of wheat has turned out most satisfactory, in some cases averaging thirty-seven bushels to the acre. One man in the Coaldale district had realized a net profit of $6,000 from 425 acres.

In the Vauxhall district one of the farmers had informed Mr. Hutton that he purposed finishing with 100 steers, 5,000 lambs and from twenty-five to thirty dairy cattle, and that he would have even then 200 tons of hay for sale from one section of land. Incidentally Mr. Hutton mentioned that the feeding of the lambs under contract in the irrigated districts was being considerably extended this year. The business promised to provide a most satisfactory market for alfalfa hay and coarse grain, and to involve a relatively small risk, inasmuch as it was possible to contract lambs now for spring delivery. The profits from that line of work, he said, were in marked contrast to those which were realized even under the best of conditions in the growing of grain alone on irrigated land.

That Easter is so far away, and that it may forget to rain then.

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We take this opportunity of wishing our numerous friends and patrons a HAPPY and PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR

S. F. WHITE

B. C. Phone 41.
Farmers' Phone 1909

Abbotsford, B.C.

Abbotsford Feed Store

Re-opening

In wishing the people of this district a Prosperous and Happy New Year, I beg to announce that on and after Jan. 2 I will again be open for business at the old stand.

I solicit a part of your patronage for 1923.

J. J. SPARROW

Essendene Avenue *ABBOTSFORD, B. C.*

PERSONALS

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Campbell and family of Lynden were the Christmas guests of Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Coogan.

Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Moore were visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. McPhee during Chirstmas.

Mr. and Mrs. Fowler and family of Vancouver have been the guests of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Weatherby.

Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Brown and family spent Christmas in Bellingham.

The Parish Hall of St. Mathews Church is all but completed. With the assistance of local carpenters and others the work has been steadily progressing and the hall will soon be officially opened.

Mr. and Mrs. Steffins of Chilliwack and Mr. and Mrs. Colin Frasser of Sumas were the guests of Mrs. H. Fraser during Christmas.

Mrs. and Mr. Dan Emery of Vancouver were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Dan Smith at Christmas.

The Presbyterian Church was nicely decorated for the Christmas services last Sunday. Appropriate sermons were given by the pastor Rev. W. Robertson, special music was supplied and the services were well enjoyed by the large gatherings.

Messrs. Frank and Fred Parton spent Christmas at their home here.

Mr. J. H. Johnson, who has been assisting in Mr. A. Lee's store during the Christmas trade, spent the week-end at his home in Vancouver. Mr. Johnson is leaving this week, and the situation at Mr. Lee's will be taken by Mr. O. W. Benedict, of Arrowhead.

Basket ball games will be played in the Alexandria Hall on Wednesday evening, January 3rd, between Sardis and Abbotsford, intermediate boys, ladies and senior men's teams. The games are to commence at 8 p.m.

Mrs. Caldwell, Sr. returned home from Vancouver this week-end.

Mr. Victor Eby who is attending the B. C. University is the guest of his parents.

Mr and Mrs. O'Donnell are enjoying a holiday in Vancouver.

Mass was celebrated in the Catholic Church on Christmas Eve and special music rendered, with Mrs. McDonald as organist.

Miss Mariam Carson of Vancouver is visiting Mrs. R. H. Eby.

Mr. and Mrs. P. R. Edwards of Vancouver spent Christmas at the home of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Zeigler.

The annual meeting of the Abbotsford and District Board of Trade will be held on Monday, January 8th, 1923.

The regular monthly meeting of the Loyal True Blue Lodge will be held on January 8th, in place of the first Monday of the month.

Mr. and Mrs. Gilmour, Sr. are leaving this week to take up residence in Vancouver.

Miss Florence Parton and Miss Emily Alder have returned to Sedro Wolley after spending the holiday at their home in Abbotsford.

Mr. and Mrs. C. McCallum and family of Mission City were the week-end guests of their parents here.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Poole and family of Central Park and Mr. Richards visited Mr. and Mrs. Conway over the week-end.

Mr. Williams Hutchinson of Mt. Vernon visited his home during the Christmas holiday, and has now returned to Clear Lake.

Miss Hallam of Salt Spring Island was the guest of the Misses Steed for the Christmas holiday and week-end.

Mr. P. Y. Smith of Princeton is the guest of his brother, Mr. Dan Smith.

Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Miller and Miss Verna Stinson, accompanied by R. McLeod and Mr. N. McLeod of Hammond spent Christmas at the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. Cummings of Murrayville.

PAYROLLS MUST PAY NEW TAX

Payrolls are receipts within the meaning of the Receipts Stamp Tax regulation, and must bear a stamp of two cents for every signature thereon, for an amount not less than ten dollars. Receipts given for the payment of taxes not paid to either the Dominion or Provincial government, which means of course municipal taxes, are not exempt. Counter sales slips and cash register tickets, however, are exempt. These are some of the outstanding rulings given in advance concerning this tax, which goes into effect on January 1. The following official notice appearing in the Canada Gazette under date of December 18, gives details of the regulation and rulings regarding it:

The tamp Tax on Receipts is effective on and after the 1st January, 1923, under the provisions of an Amendment to The Special War Revenue Act, 1915, assented to 28th June, 1922, as follows:

(1) For the purposes of this section the expression "recipt" includes any note, memorandum or writing whereby any money amounting to ten dollars or upwards, or any bill of exchange or promisory note for money amounting to ten dollars or upwards is acknowledged or expressed to have been received, deposited or repaid, or whereby any debt or demand or any part of a debt or demand of the amount of ten dollars or upwards is acknowledged to have been settled, satisfied or discharged or which signifies or imports any such acknowledgment, and whether the same is or is not signed with the name of any person.

(2) No person shall give a receipt unless there is affixed thereto an adhesive stamp or unless there is impressed thereon by means of a die or stamp of the value of two cents, which is to be cancelled by the person by whom the receipt is given before he delivers it out of his hands. Cancellation shall be effected by the person who cancels the stamp writing or impressing his name or initials on or across the stamp together with the true date of such writing or impressing.

(3) Any person who violates any of the provisions of this section, or who refuses to give a receipt, duly stamped, or who, upon a payment to the amount of ten dollars or upwards gives a receipt for a sum not amounting to ten dollars or separates or divides the amount paid with intent to evade the duty, shall be liable to penalty not exceeding one hundred dollars.

(4) The duties imposed by this section shall not apply to the following cases:

(a) A receipt for money deposited in any bank as defined in section twelve of this Act to be accounted for to the person to whose credit the money is deposited.

(b) A receipt or document in the nature of a receipt which is taxable under any other section of this Act.

(c) An acknowledgment by a bank of the receipt of a bill of exchange or promissory note for the purpose of being presented for acceptance or payment.

(d) A receipt for or upon the payment of money paid for any purpose to or by His Majesty for or out of the Conslidated Revenue Fund of any Province of Canada.

(e) A receipt endorsed or otherwise written upon or contained in any instrument liable to stamp duty and duly stamped acknowledging the receipt of the consideration money therein expressed.

The following rulings have been issued by the Department of Customs and Excise in respect of this tax:

Counter sales slips and cash register tickets are not taxable provided no words involving or stating acknowledgment of the receipt or the payment of money appear thereon.

Pay rolls—signature of employee thereon being receipt for wages—taxable, in respect of each such signature.

Receipts for payment of legacies are taxable. A receipt for money in a deed or mortgage is taxable.

Receipts for payment of taxes except those given to, or by, the Dominion Government or a Provincial Government, are taxable.

Individual freight bills and periodical statements of same, acknowledging receipt of payment, are taxable.

Customs House Brokers' Receipts are taxable.

Letters forwarded by mail, also post cards, acknowledging the payment of money, are regarded as letters and cards and not subject to this tax.

All insurance policies, whether fire, life, marine or casualty, wherein the payment of money is acknowledged, are taxable.

Receipts drawn out of Canada, but not valid until countersigned in Canada, are taxable.

Voucher cheques and cheques with receipts endorsed thereon when drawn upon or addressed to a bank, are not taxable as receipts.

Remitters counterfoil, being part of a taxable express money order is not taxable as a receipt.

JACQUES BUREAU,
Minister of Customs and Excise.

Note:—Persons or firms, who desire to have receipts stamped by means of a die, may make application for stamping to the Department of Customs and Excise under Regulations which have now been established.

Wallpaper

A nice new stock of Wall Paper has come to hand.

Just the right kind to make the rooms cheerful during the fall and winter months.

A Good Variety To Choose From

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Box 31 - Abbotsford, B. C.

All Work Guaranteed

WANT COLUMN

Advertisements under the above heading cost 25 cents per issue.

FOR SALE—Eleven acres of good land on fine road near the mill. Well fenced. Well built five-roomed house with pantry, verandah back and front, out buildings, good water About four acres cleared. Will sell cheap for all cash, would give good terms. For price and particulars apply to owner, Charles Grimley; Abbotsford, B. C.

Also Auto Knitter Triplix, new, all complete. Cost $83.00 will sell for $55.00.

FOUND—Grey and white setter bitch, David Stafford, R. R. No. 2, Abbotsford. 29-5

Tenders

M. S. A. GENERAL HOSPITAL

TENDERS will be received by the Management Committee of the M. S. A. General Hospital until January 3rd, for a three months' supply of groceries, meats, etc.

For estimate of quantities apply to the undersigned.

Lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

N. HILL,
Chairman.

December 22, 1922.

Compliments of the Season

To those who have given their patronage to us since starting business, we extend all good wishes for a Prosperous New Year.

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Made-in-Abbotsford Bread

Pies and Cakes

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Abbotsford

To Our

many customers and friends we extend a most hearty wish for a Prosperous New Year.

We also take this opportunity to thank all for their liberal patronage since starting in business in Abbotsford.

W. J. GRAY

CASH GROCERY

Phone 55 Phone 55

EQUIPMENT IS BURNED

The foot ball game between Abbotsford and Clayburn at Mission City has been postponed on account of the equipment being all burned when Mr. Sterling's house was destroyed recently by fire.

The house was partly insured and some of the furniture was saved, but otherwise the loss is an unfortunate one

CARD OF THANKS

Mr. W. Good and Miss Jennie Good take this opportunity of sincerely thanking all kind friends and neighbors who in any way assisted during the recent illness and death of Mrs. Good.

We wish to make special mention of our neighbor, Mrs. F. Blinch, who was most devoted and untiring in her kindly attentions; and also Mrs. Murray, Mrs. Watson, Mrs. Marshall and Mrs. Aitkins.

CONTRIBUTES $10 PER CAPITA

VICTORIA, Dec. 27.—During the past 12 months the government of British Columbia has contributed to municipal treasuries a sum equal to approximately $10 per capita of the total population within municipal boundaries, according to a statement made by Hon. John Hart, minister of finance.

The department of finance is sending out cheques for a distribution of liquor profits amounting to $511,537.89 and of pari-mutuel tax amounting to $191,648.26. Municipalities have received $201,654.86 as their proportion of the revenue from motor license fees.

When did Winnipeg become a suburb of Abbotsford? said the little questioner.

"Oh, just last week," said papa. All roads lead to Abbotsford.