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Big Key Contest

The drawing for the handsome New Williams Drop Head Sewing Machine will take place in a few weeks, and keys are going fast.

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FRASER VALLEY DYKING SCHEME WANTS AID

One of the biggest dyking schemes ever undertaken in Canada or the United States has been inaugurated by the Sumas Dyking Commissioners. It involves 30,000 acres of land on the Fraser Valley, and the estimated cost of the undertaking is given at nearly a million and a half.A contract has been given to a Seattle firm for the dyking, and the commissioners are now pressing the Provincial government for legislation enabling them to assess future owners in order to protect their interests. The contract is due to go into effect in May.

Mr. E. E. Eckert, secretary of the commission, arrived in Victoria last week in company with Mr. R. H. S. Cresswell and Mr. J. A. Flett of Van couver, and Mr. Ralph Smailes of the L. M. Rice contracting firm of Seattle, who hold the contract for the undertaking, It is explained by Mr. Eckert that the Sumas Comission will ask the Provincial Government at this session of the legislature for the passing of an act to enable them to assess 12,000 acres contained in the basin of the Sumas Lake, which was given the commission by the Dominion Government to facilitate the dyking scheme for for approximately 30,000 acres of land in the vicinity of Chilliwack

Matter of Finance

The Sumas Dyking Commission entered into a contract with the L. M Rice contracting firm for the dyking of the entire area of 30,000 acres and propose paying by bond issue for $385,000 bearing 5 per cent interest and extending over a period of forty years. The entire cost of the undertaking has been figured out at $1,350,000 and the difference between this sum and the bond issue is to be found by the contracting firm, in return for which they will receive the deeds to the 12,00 acres above referred to, the other 18,000 acres remaining in the hauds of the commission. In this way there will be 18,000 acres of land dyked for the people at a cost of $385,000 and 12,000 acres for the contracting company at a cost of something like a million dollars.

It is stated that the people of the distrit are unanimously in favor of theundertaking, as it is realized that the dyking scheme will, when completed, open up one of the finest agricultural territories on the mainland of the Province. In the past it has been impossible to make any use of the land on account of the flooding of the Fraser River. It rises up just when the farmers would be seeding, and consequently the land is useless. For daiying and mixed farming purposes it is stated land is useless. For dairying and bly-suited, and those interested in the scheme predict that the successful issue of the dyking project will greatly enhance the agricultural industry on the Fraser banks.—Victoria Colonist.

As the result of the recent change in the United States Customs tariff admiting live stock free of duty, Canadian stock raisers have had opened to them a practically new market. Evidence of this has been noticeable lately in the number of carloads of hogs and beef cattle being conveyed through this Port destined to Seattle. The principal shipping point from Canada is Calgary and the surrounding country, and it is expected that shipments aggregating about 25 cars a week will pass though Abbotsford. Stock raising in British Columbia is practically in its infancy, but in due time and with the impetus given by the demand for stock from points in the United States, it is expected that our fair province will soon be in a position to reap some of the benefits now being derived by the prairie provinces.

PROVINCIAL LEGISLATURE

Speech from the Throne

Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the Legislative Assembly:

In welcoming you to the second session of the Thirtenth Parliament of British Columbia, it affords me pleasure to state that the province has enjoyed a large share of the advancement and prosperity during the past years.

Prevailing conditions in the money market have delayed the payment to the government of large sums outstanding on account of the sale of townsite and district lands; but these amounts are bearing a profitable rate of interest. Treasury notes have been issued for the sum of $1,500,000, and legislation affecting the revenue act, providing for a provincial loan will be submitted to you The high standing of British Columbia's credit, I am pleased to observe, still continues.

Under authority of the legislation enacted last year, the auditor-general's offic has been instituted.

The liberal appropriations made by you at the last session for public works have enabled further extensions to be made to the highways of the province, and, as well have aided and opening up the central and northern parts of the province.Suitable public buildings have been constructed where necessary, in order to increase the efficiency of the public service.

While there have been unfortunate troubles in the coal-mining districts of Vancouver Island, the output of our mines during the year has been most satisfactory . Based on reliable informatioin, reports indicate that the outlook for increased development in this industry is most assuring.

Vigorous work has been carried on by the department of lands. measures will be submitted for your approval dealing with the water and timber resources.

For the more effective working of the laws with regard to registration of land it is proposed to amend the present act.

Following the report of the municipal commission you will be asked to consider a bill to amend and consolidate the laws relating to municipalities, including provision for the establishment of a municipal department under the government.

Among other important measures to be laid before you will be one dealing with trust companies; also an amendment to the school act, and the consolidation of the game laws.

The construction of railways in the province has progressed most satisfactorily. You will be asked to consider measures aimed at facilitatin the objecat of the legislation already approved.

By virtue of an order in council, approved by His Royal Highness, the Governor-General, Mr. Z. A .Lash, K. C., of Toronto, and Mr. E. V. Bodwell K. C. of Victoria, have been selected to represent respectively the fed-

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To give an idea of the immense quantity and value of exports which daily pass southward through Abbotsford, the Customs records show that for the nine months ending December 31st, 1913, the value of such shipments amounted to the enormous figure of $3,364,521.29. It is expected that by the end of the present fiscal year the grand totals will go over the $4,000,000.00 mark Business must be looking up.

Mr. Malcolm J. Reid, of Vancouver Inspector of Coast Ports, paid his first official visit to Huntingdon on Wednesday He found the local end of the Immigration Department in apple-pie order.

WAR AND WOMEN

An interesting new book is "War and Women" by Mrs. St. Claire Stobart, on her experiences asthe organizer of the "Women's Convey Corps," which did such remarkable work in the recent Balkan War.It is an inspiring account of the organization ofthe hospital and canteen under fearful conditions, and of the gratitude and successful treatment of the patients. Lord Esher in his preface to the book says, in effect that it is impossible to resist her plea for right of women to a place in the scheme of national defence, and the necessity for their training under military conditions dictated by military authorities. It is generally supposed that women are avers to war but until some scheme is evolved by whiich war is eternally abolished women are bound by duty to take the possibility of such an event into consideration. Fortunately for humanity there seems always to be a number who are not tied by the demands of domestic life. and it is these useful women who so often undertake the unseductive occupations of life and administer to the needs of their fellow creatures. Instead of receiving love, they give love, and their reward is the relief they are enabled to give to the sufferings of others. In this country the number of leisured women is small. Where there is no home and family to care for, women are mostly engaged in earning their own living. For the free there is more than enough to be done in social and charitable work. Should Canada ever be on the verge of war as a unit of the Empire, what would women do? Should we be able to organize an ambulance corps? Should we have enough trained nurses to spare from the hospitals or the private work toengage in systematic military service? We should be very glad to have some idea as to what could be done on an emergency. Women are vitally interested in the defence of their homes, and in time of war are sometimes called upon to play the harder part. — Relating to the question of Imperial Defence our attention has been drawn to the following remarks which appeared in an English paper which are particularly interesting. "The end of the world cruise of H. M. S. New Zealand brings comment on the Imperial spirit of the Dominion from Mrs. Robinson who writes from Lustleigh as folows: 'Every grown person in New Zealand (women as well as men, for women's suffrage has been exercised there for twenty-one years) has voluntarily fined his or herself for the cost of this Dreadnought. Nor is this the whole of their help to the Mother Country. The New Zealanders were the first British Colony to fit out a splendid contingent to help us in the Boer war and they are now maintaining a Flying Column of trained soldiers, nurses and all needful appliances to go anywhere to the aid of the British Empire directly they are wanted. With the lowest death-rate in the world and a full treasury, New Zealand speaks well for women suffrage and it is a remarkable example for the rest of the empire on the value of a united democracy, in which high patriotism prevails, and no one part of the inhabitants is driven into revolt by the injustice of those in power.' "

ONE INDIAN MISSING

The Indians on the Cultus Lake Reserve seemingly are enjoying a potlatch. Harry Copit and Billey Dick received a sentence of thirty days for having liquor in their possession, while their friend Commodore is still very much absent from his usual place of abode. In the meantime the police are awaiting his return from either the Vedder or Father Fraser.

RECOUNT OF BALLOTS CHANGES COUNCIL

The municipal elections are all past for the present year and in almost all cases the results are known but of course thre are exceptions in some cases, and it is claimed that Matsqui is the execption in this case

The Post has not been able to obtain the results of the election as yet and so far as can be learned no person knows definitely what the official results are as the returning officer was unable to complete the work on Monday last. Reeve Merryfield was called up over the 'phone from both Abbotsford and Mission City but no definite answer as to the results are obtainable from him. Mr. J. Gibson, the returning officer cannot be reached by any other means than a communication, which takes several days

It is understood, however that Mr. McCallum is the elected councillor for Ward III. having gained two votes from othr polling places, thus giving him a majority of one over his opponent. Mr. McCallum is an experienced man in council work and no doubt will do credit to his ward and the municipaality as a whole.

For School Trustee, Mr. Phillips takes the place of Mr. Wooler.

The plebiscite vote, which is of very much interest to the town of Abbotsford,on the establishment of a high school in Matsqui Municipality and as to where it should be located, ssems to be still in doubt as to which way the vote went. Unofficial returns state that it was carried, and that Abbotsford was the place chosen for the location.

There are also rumors to the effect that the election may be held over on the grounds that some of the electors were not British subjects, and also allowing proxies to voto, something unusual in Canada.

What would an election be if all were perfectly satisfied with the result?

WILL HOLD EXHIBITION AT ABBOTSFORD

A fairly large attendance gathered in the Masonic Hall last Monday evening todiscuss matters pretaining to the Abbotsford-Sumas Agricultural Association. Mr. H. Alanson occupied the chair and Mr. Wiggins was appointed secretary. Although no business of importance was transacted, other than the discussion of a fair, the meeting was in perfect harmony for holding a fair in Abbotsford this year.

Mr. W. Hill-Tout was appointed a delegate to attend the Agricultural convention which will be held in Victoria. On his return the secretary will call a meeting when the directors for the year will be appointed and other matters of importance dealt with.

Huntingdon Rural Telephone

At a meeting held in the municipal hall last week the directors of the Farmers' Mutual Telephone Company drew up papers for the incorporation of a new company to be known as the Huntingdon Rural Telephone Company

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THE MARKET

With a larger supply in most lines and a crowd of eager buyers, prices at the market Friday remained fairly steady, advancing in one or two instances. The only drop was in eggs which were offered at the close of the market for 40 cents a dozen.

The increases were in thefish department, salmon advancing to 15 cents a pound and cod advancing about two points to 12 cents a pound.

There was a good supply of poultry and as usual a brisk trade was done in this department. The following were the ruling prices:

Turkeys, per lb., dressed	35c to 40c
Chickens, per lb	20c to 25c
Ducks, per lb	17c. to21c.
Butter, per lb	40c.
Eggs, per doz	40c. to 45c.
Cabbage, per lb	1½c. to 2c.
Turnips, per sack	60c. to75c.
Carrots, per sack	60c. to 70c.
Potatoes, per sack	$1.10
Onions, per sack	$1.25
Crab apples, per lb	2c. to 3c.
Apples, per box	$1.25 to $1.50
Pears, per box	$1.00 to $1.30

Fish, Retail.

Flounders, per lb	10c.
Sturgeon, per lb	15c.
Halibut, per lb	10c.
Smelts, per lb	10c.
Salmon, per lb	15c.
Herring, 4 lbs	25c.

Retail Meats.

Beef, rib roasts, per lb	20c to 22c
Beef, loin, per lb	26c. to 27c.
Beef, round steak, per lb	20c to 25c
Boiling beef, per lb	14c.
Veal, per lb	16½c to 17c
Pork, per lb	12½c to 13c
Mutton, per lb	8c to 20c

Poultry, Wholesale.

Hens, small, per doz	$6.50 to $7
Hens, large, per doz	$8 to $10
Chickens, per doz	$5 to $7
Broilers, per doz	$4 to $5
Hens, live, per lb	17c to 18c
Chickens, live, per lb	19c to 20c
Ducks, per doz	$8 to $10
Ducks, live, per lb	16c to 19c

PROVINCIAL LEGISLATURE

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eral and provincial interests on the commission presently to assemble for the purpose of investigating the claims of the province for better terms. A request has been formerly made to the colonial secretary for the appointment of a third member.

The pomp and ceremony which marked the inauguration of the session on Thursday last, was replaced by the routine of business which will character the legislative chamber during the next two months.As far as the house is concerned the scarlet uniforms and gold lace, the brilliant assemblage of guests and the Sunday clothes of the legislators, are banished for another twelve months. Business garb has replaced frock coats and the familiar scenes of former sessions will again be re-enacted. Legislaors are already beginingto collect reference volumes at the sides of their desks and Pages hury to and fro bearing mystic notes or carrying portfoios to the Ministers.

The feature of Friday's session was undoubtedly the brilliant speech made by Mr. W. W. Foster, member for the Islands division. Mr. Foster surprised many of the old timers of the house by his rhetorical efforts and at the close of his speech he was the recipient of many warm congratu lations from personal friends in the the House. Speaking somewhat rapidly, but without a trace of nervousness, Mr. Foster after a few preliminaries, launched into thesubject of which he has been intimately connected during his three years term of office as Deputy-Minister of Public Works.

Good roads are an economical asset to the province in the transportation of produce to the market, and as the prime inducements of settlers, coupled with its advancements in the development of the traffic in visitors, which the sister States below the line have been so quick to realize, was the theme of his addresss which lasted for little under thirty minutes.

Mr. W. J. Manson

He was preceded by Mr. W. J. Manson, of Dewdney, who was obviously suffering from extreme nervousness. The member for Dewdney, in a closely reasoned speech last ing for an hour and a quarter, delt step by step with the development of the natural resources and industries of the Province since 1903, the time when Premier McBride first assumed the reins of power.

After the speaker had taken the chair, Dean Doull, in his academic robes, and wearing the scarlet hood of his old university, read the prayers from the lithurgy of the Church of England. When he had retired, Mr. Manson rose to propose the reply to the address from the throne which was delivered at Thursday's session by Lieu-Gov. Paterson.

Before entering on his subject he made a graceful acknowledgement of the honor done to him and to his constituents in being privileged to move the reply. He spoke feelingly of the loss which the legislature had sustained through the elevation of Mr. Justice McPhillips

"We have lost one of the best and most generous men who ever sat in the house," said Mr. Manson, "but our loss has ben the judiciary's gain He has been suceeded by Mr. W. Foster, a man of proven talents and exceptional executive ability. And with all humiliation I would add my voice of congratulation to the constituents of the Islands division in the wisdom of their choice."

Mr. Manson referred briefly to the election in the Islands division and spoke in strong terms of the attempt made by certain men in the province who went into the district to seek to influence the electors as to the action they should take with reference to their selection of a representative in the House.

Review of Conditions

The member of Dewdney reviewed the history of the province since 1903. He said that previous to that time there had been a general depression in Canada and the States and that while conditions had already improved before 1903, industrial enterprise in British Columbia had gone from bad to worse and was at a very low ebb.

"Sir Richard McBride put his hand to the plough, determined to give a stable government to this province and resolved to resuscitate the financial standing of British Columbia," said Mr. Manson. "Few men in public life have taken a greater task upon their shoulders. Few men have had a greater breadth of vision or displayed a higher courage than our premier did when he took steps to bring order out of chaos. And the high position in which British Columbia stands to-day is due to the splendid services of the Premier and those men who have so ably supported him in his task.

Dealing first with the mining industry, Mr. Manson pointed out that the revenue obtained from the mines in 1903 was $17,000,000 while last year it amounted to approximately $32,000,000. The cost of education, he said, had risen in the same period from $415,000 to $944,000 and the splendid results brought about by the Department of Education was. he said, directly attributable to Hon. Dr. Young and his staff.

Department of Lands

In speaking of the Department of Lands the member upbraided those slanderers of the Government who he said had circulated the rumor among the new settlers of the province that the reason why they could not get crown lands near the congested centres of population was due to the government. He pointed to the splendid agricultural land in the lower Fraser Valley through the railway belt which he declared were alienated by other powers long before the present government took office

"The acreage of land surveyed today is enough to give every British subject who is a bonafide settler a homestead twice over, said Mr. Manson.

In referring to the amount of land recently surveyed he said that in 1903, 214,247 acres of land and timber were surveyed as compared with 2,854,857 acres surveyed during last year. Out of this amount surveyed in 1903, 128,000 acres was timber land and practically only about 1,000 acres of settlers land was surveyed during that year. In comparison with these figures he said that during last year no less than 1,015, 000 acres of land, apart from timber land, were surveyed by the lands department.

"The Minister of Lands had been active in the development of a policy which in spite of criticism, who do not see eye to eye with us, which must tend to the eventual welfare for the people of the Province.

In conclusion he dealt briefly with the increase in the fisheries and the enormous amount expended last year on public works in addition to aid to the farmer, the fruit growers, and general settlers.

Mr. Foster

In rising to second the reply, Mr. Foster, who was received with loud cheers, urged that in matters pertaining to the general welfare and prosperity of the country political affiliations should be forgotten in the common desire to utilize to the best advantage the potentialities of the Province.

"It is an ispecial honor and pleasure to me to second the motion," said Mr. Foster, "because the constituency I have the honor to represent has recently and in no uncertain sound nnd terms expressed its confidence in Premier McBride and the administration.

"In dealing with the reports of labor and agricultural commissions, he said that as they were based upon impartial and exhaustive investigation they must prove useful in the enactment of future legislation. In dealing with new legislation, he predicted that the establishment of a municipal department would be the greatest value, affording as it would a safeguard against injudicious financing, and providing stability for municipal bonds.

In connection with legislation affecting railroad construction, he said the Minister of Railways would doubtless very shortly detail what has been accomplished since March 1, 1910 when the province entered upon its great railway programme. In considering the difficulties of railroad construction in the Province he said that the average cost per mile of a road bed by a transcontinental company was $25,000, and theroads of the Mainland, he said, were in many sections costing over $130,000 per mile, and even on Vancouver Island the cost was about $45,000 per mile.

After dealing briefly with the question of better terms, Mr. Foster referred to the mining outlook.

"There has been evidence of financial depression throughout the world and British Columbia has felt it particularly in her larger cities in a lessening demand for real estate, and perhaps to some degree in the curtailment of money available from the old land for investment, but with a people such as British Columbia possesses and with her unlimited and practically undeveloped resources it needs no prophet to foresee that abundant and permanent prosperity must always be hers.

"In spite of this socalled depression the mining industry has never been on a bettter footing or given a greater promise, and the increased production in the Cariboo, the splendid showing throughout the Kootenays and other sections is not only a tribute to the stability of the industry, but is a striking testimony of the fortunate position British Columbia holds in the diversity of her resources.

In a brief reference to the disagreement between the owners and employees in the coal districts of Vancouver Island, Mr. Foster was outspoken in saying that, no mattr what may have taken place previously, every right thinking man was bound to suport the officers of the Crown in the enforcement of the law.

Passing on to the general policy of public works he coupled it with the finances of the Province on the ground that on account of the comprehensive policy of public works, it would be necessary to some extent to adopt a new policy of finance

"It is quite apparent that the time has arrived that extraordinary measures must be adopted to provide funds for such a purpose. Up to the present time considerably over a half of the revenue of the province has been obtained from its timber and land, but year by year, while pre emption becomes easier, the possibility of obtaining land by purchase has been made more difficult, and land sales cannot be looked to in the future as a large source of revenue. The alternative, which should certainly suit those opposed to any form of land alienation, is a Provincial loan, and there has never been a time in the history of the Province when we stood higher in the commercial markets of the world."

Road Question

In dealing with the road question the member for the Islands spoke of the value of good roads to develop and enhance the value of the holding to facilitate travel for business and pleasure, to permit school facilities to reduce the cost of marketing and decrease living expenses, and in general to render country life more attractive. He quoted figures to show the economic side of good roads question, and pointed out that every mile of road constructed involved responsibility of maintenance.

"To provide a skeleton trunk road system for this province would involve an outlay of not less than $50,000,000," Mr. Foster said, "so that it can readily be seen that generous as the appropriations have in the past there is every incentive to keep up the agressive road policy initiated by the present Government.

In conclusion he spoke of the potentialities of the roads of the province as an asset in the attractions of tourists and visitors, and said that every road in British Columbia, whether it followed the mountainside or through the forest, crossed the lowlands, or followed the coast line, was a scenic road, and as suchcould be made revenue producing.

"In many matters our views necessarily differ, but we all share a common desire to build up and develop our province along the lines commensurate with the advantage nature has showered upon us.'

Payment of Commissioners

At the conclusion of Mr. Foster's speech, Mr. Place moved the adjournment of the debate

Sir Richard McBride thereupon presented to Mr. Speaker a message from His Honor the Lieu-Governor transmitting abill to authorize the payment of certain expenses in connection with commissions issued under the Great Seal.

Behind the title of this bill lies the important constitutional question of the payment of commissioners serving while they are members of the legislature. Mr. Hayward, M. P. is a member of the Royal Agricultural Commission, and Mr. J. P.Shaw is a member of the Indian Commission and, since no member of the legislature is permitted to receive any emolument for services under such a commission, it has been necesary to enact an empowering bill that they be reimbursed for their traveling expenses.

The said bill, on the motion of the Premier, was referred to a committee of the whole house. Mr. Speaker left the house, and, with Mr. Ernest Miller, as chairman of committee, the bill was introduced and read a first time, and the second hearing was fixed for Monday next.

FRASER VALLLEY NEWS ITEMS

Chilliwack has now a ten year contract with the B. C. Electric C., to supply that city with 100 candle power Tungsten lights for street lighting purposes.

Mr. D. J. McQuarrie succeeds Mr. J. W. McDonald as postmaster for New Westminster.

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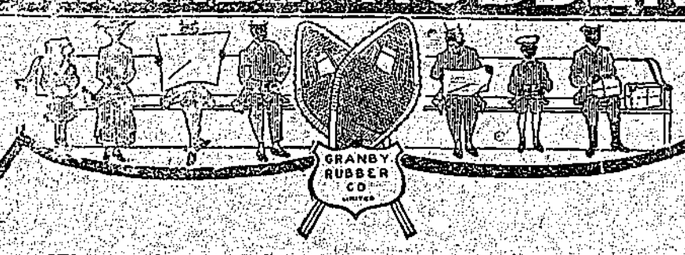

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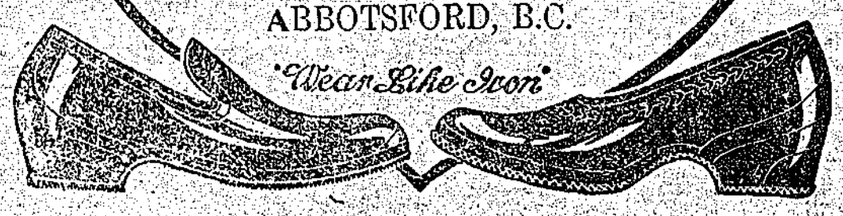

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END OF HATZIC COMPANY LITIGATION

After over two days hearing in Victoria, the Court of appeal dismissed the appeal of L. Scott Elliott and Messrs Buttar & Chiene, the liquidators of the H. P. Co. against the decision of Chief Justice Hunter, who granted the petition of the creditors, Mr. H. Kenworthy, for the dismissal of the liquidators. The Court of peal unanimously upheld the Chief Justice's decision. The grouds for the dismissal of the liqudators being the admittance of incompetency in their handing over the liquidation to the British North America Company the making of imprudent bargains and greatly increasing the liabilities of the H. P. Co., Scott Elliott and liquidators to pay notes.

Mr. S. Taylor and Hamiltin Read appeared for the successful respondents, the creditors and Mr. a nd Mrs. Harold Kenworthy, while Messrs E. V. Bodwell, K. C. and E. P. Davis, K. C. appeared for the appelants.

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THE GRIM REAPER CLAIMS ANOTHER PIONEER

There passed away on Thursday morning at 9 o'clock, another of our pioneers, in the person of Mr. T. J. DeLair, who died in the Sumas hospital after a protracted illness.

The deceased was one of the first settlers in this part of the Fraser Valley, and delighted to tell strangers of the many changes that had taken place during the recent years. He was one of those sturdy men who are a credit to any community, always having a definite plan made before setting out to accomplish anything, but always willing to listen to what others had to say, and able to guide himself accordingly. He took pride in what he had accomplished, in what his neighbors had accomplished, in the growth of our little town and the surrounding community. As an instance of his energy it may be said that he was among the first to back up the Abbotsford fair held for the first time some years ago. He loved to take the initiative.

The deceased was of a kind-hearted, cheerful disposition, being willing to lend a hand during a time of adversity, and there are many who could testify to assistance from his helping hand.

He leaves two sons and two daughters to mourn his demise; Mrs. T. Walters, Mrs. T. Yorke, and Thomas and Less, all of Abbotsford.

The funeral took place to-day.

LOCALS

Mr. and Mrs. M. Ware Copeland mourn the loss of their infant child who died on Thursday last.

Mr. J. A. McGowan, president of the Abbotsford Conservative Association, left for Victoria Thursday where he will attend the Conservative Association as a delegate from Abbotsford.

Mrs. Richardson, of Bellingham, is spending a few days in Abbotsford the guest of Miss McMaster

Mr. P. Ross, of Aldergrove, was a visitor to Abbotsford on Thursday.

Mr. Wm. Towlan, one of the veteran war horses in the political arena also one of the pioneer settlers of Mt. Lehman, was in Abbotsford on Thursday renewing his old acquaintances.

Mr. and Mrs. Armatage have been here the past few days the guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Boyd. Mr. Armatage is the manager of the Alberta Lumber Co., with headquarters at Edmonton.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The Annual General meeting of the Abbotsford Conservative Association will be held in the Masonic Hall, Abbotsford, B. C. on Friday evening, January 30th, 1914, at 8 p. m.

All supporters are invited.

G. C. CLARKE,
Secretary.

SOUTH ALDERGROVE ITEMS

Mr. Jas. Walker met with an accident when at Patricia post office for his mail. As he was mounting his horse, it bolted and threw him to the ground. He struck on his head and dislocated his neck. The doctor who was called looks for his recovery

Mr. and Mrs. Bay Robertson on the international boundary line gave a party to the young people of this place A very enjoyable evening was spent by the fifty present

The friends and a equaintances of Mr. A. Vannetta, sr., will be pleased to know he is able to be around again.

Mrs. D. Faulkner is ill in Vancouver.

Miss Warner has gone to Vancouver to resume her duties.

FORESTRY FACTS

Mr. R. H. Campbell, Director of Forestry, who recently returned from a tour of inspection of the Dominion Forest Reserves in the West. says: 'Unquestionably the work there is in better shape this year than ever before.' Not only have the fire fighting facilities, such as trails, lookout stations, telephone lines, tool-caches and fire-guards, been very much improved, but the construction of good roads has made t he pleasure resorts in these reserves more accesible to the public.

The larch, or 'tamarack' of eastern Canada will soon be commercially extinct. Already according to Dr. Gordon Hewitt, the Dominion Entomologist, its enemy, the large larch saw-fly 'has destroyed between fifty and one hundred per cent of the eastern larch.' This insect pest was introduced from the United States from Europe about 1881, and, having few natural enemies in America, has spread over the whole eastern half of the continent. It is doubtful whether it will be brought under control.

The revenue from the forests of British India, under the administration of the Indian Forest Service, amounted last year to fourteen million dollars. Over one and one-quarter million dollars were drrived from the sale of minor produce other than timber, and a similar amount was obtained by leasing grazing privileges in these forests.

Many cases of the Indians' wastefulness with game have been noted in the West. One Dominion Forest Surveyor writes 'The Indians slaughter an enormous number of moose of which they waste over one half Often they take away only the hide while they seldom take away more than the hind quarters.

MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS THROUGHOUT THE VALLEY

Delta District.

Mr. A. D. Patterson was an easy victor over his opponent, Mr. W. A. Kirkland in the contest for the reeve ship of Delta. The councillors elected were: Messrs. Savage, Huff, Harris, Morley and Brown.

Kent.

Mr. Geo. Nichols was elected reeve of this municipality over Mr. R.L. Ashton. The councillors were elected by acclamatoin as follows: Messrs. J. Duncan, W. Mackie, A. M. McPherson and N. McCallum. Messrs J. H. Morrow, A. C. Webster and J. A. McRae were elected school trustees.

Coquitlam Municipality.

Mr. L. E. Marmont was elected as feeve of Coquitlam municipality by a majority of 92 over Mr. R. J. C. Atkins. The councillors were: J. D. Robertson, R. Oxtoby, E. Percy, H. B. Baker, W. Whiting.

Chilliwack District.

Mr. F. C. Kickbush was elected reeve by acclamation. The councillors are Messrs. J. A. McLeod, W. M. Wells, Robert Mercer, James Bailey, J. A. Evans. School trustees, J. C. Robertson, D. E. Barrow, W. J. Thompson.

Maple Ridge.

For reeve—N. F. Lougheed 226, T. J. Drain 195.

Councillors....W. H. Ansell, J. M. Dale, G. H. Fulton, D. B. Martyn.

School Board—Robert Lake, H. Purdy, F. Biggs.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF BRITISH COLUMBIA IN PROBATE.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Re Ulderic Prefontaine, Deceased

NOTICE is hereby given that all Creditors and other persons having any debt, claims or demands upon or against the estate of Ulderic Prefontaine of Abbotsford, in the Province of British Columbia, Farmer, deceased, (who died on or about the 25th day of February, 1912 and probate of whose will was granted to Arithemise Prefontaine and Clothilda Prefontaine of Beloeil in the Province of Quebec on the 22nd day of October, 1913, by the Supreme Court of British Columbia) are hereby required to send in the particulars in writing of their debts Claims or Demands to Messrs Tupper, Kitto & Wightman, Royal Bank Chambers, 408 Hastings Street, West City of Vancouver, Provinre of British Columbia, the solicitors for the said executrices Arthemise Prefontaine and Clothilda Prefontaine on or about the 9th day of February A. D. 1914.

AND NOTICE IS HEREBY also given that after the expiration of that time the said executrices will proceed to distribute the assets of the deceased among the parties entitled thereto having regard only to the debts, Claims and Demands of which the said executrices shall then have notice and that they will not be liable for the assets or any part thereof so distributed to any person of whose debt claim or demands they shall not then have had notice.

Dated at Vancouver this 19th day of January, A. D., 1914.

Tupper, Kitto & Wightman.
Solicitors for the said Executrices.

MILWAUKEE ROAD IS BUSY AT BOUNDARY

Activity of surveying parties in the vicinity of the international boundary at Huntingdon, B. C., has brought about reports of a projected entrance by the Chiicago, Milwaukee & Puget Sound Railroad into this country, reviving rumors current in Vancouver previously to the effect that that railroad was looking for terminals here.

The latest development is to the effect that surveyors are mapping out a line around the town of Sumas towards the International boundary line and it is said that this is with the intention of entering Canadian territory. It is said also that the Milwaukee road will use several miles of the dyke to be built around Sumas Lake and connect with the Canadian Northern Railway to the north of the lake and obtain running rights into Vancouver.

The Milwaukee at present operates over the Bellingham Bay and B. C. Railroad into Sumas but does not yet enter into competition for passenger service to any extent. The surveyors have laid out a line from the present terminal of that line in Sumas round the town towards the north. The explanation of this move is set out to be for a connection with the B. C. E. R. Fraser Valley line, which runs a few feet off the boundary. The real reason, however, is said to be an entrance to Canada which will be followed by an extension over the Sumas Lake flats towards the Canadian Northern line.

If th railroad should use a part of the Sumas dyking scheme for its roadbed, it is said that portion of the work would have to be concreted In any event, if the right of way should run across the flats, considerable filling would have to be done as seen by the B. C. Electric grade and the dyke would be a handy method of avoiding it.

Rumors have been current for a considerable time that the Milwaukee road are negotiating for terminals in the city, and it was said that the railroad would acquire the Heaps Lumber Mill property at Cedar Cove although nothing has been heard of it for many months. If the Milwaukee should obtain running rights over the Canadian Northern into the city, it is quite likely that it would use the proposed joint terminals of the Great Northern and Canadian Northern railways on False Creek for its passenger business.

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Pastor—Rev. J. L. Cam bell, B. A., B. D.
Services—Sunday school 10 a.m.
Public Worship 11 a. m.
Teacher training class 3 p.m.
Public Worship 7.30 p. m.
Choir Practice, Friday 8 p. m.
Meeting for Bible Study and Prayer Wednesday 8 p. m.

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The salesroom will be in charge of Mr. F. C. Wiggins, a representative of the Light and Power Department, who will also deal with questions pertaining to the Cempany's light and power lines throughout the central section of the valley.

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