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### MATEQUI COUNCIL

The second meeting of the Matsqui Council to be held at Gifford took place on Saturday, May 10, when a large number of ratepayers attended. The predominating feature of the meeting seemed to be the cry for more roads, in fact nearly the whole of the council's time was taken up with road matters.

Reeve Merryfield presided and there were present Councillors Melander, Bell and Satchell. Coun. Frederickson, the newly elected councillor for Ward III, was sworn in and took his seat for the first time.

Clerk Gibson read the minutes of last meeting which were adopted. Several sub-division plans which did not quite meet the approval of the council were laid over for future reference, and then the numerous delegations addressed the council.

Mr. Ross, of the law firm of Haviland & Ross, Vancouver, addressed the board at some length in regard to Sub-division 16, Tp. 16, of which he is a part owner. This is a piece of property situated on the hill at Abbotsford which has been recently subdivided, and Mr. Ross, in very forcible terms, thought the council should eliminate part of the hill so as to provide a suitable road for the settlers there. Several of the councillors thought otherwise. Eventually the matter was left to Coun. Frederickson to report on.

Then came the question of purchasing a right of way through Mr. Cresswell's property, so as the Pacific Highway would have a better grade through the municipality. This caused considerable discussion, Mr. Cresswell appearing in person and making the council an offer for his property. Coun. Catehell strenuously opposed the purchasing of any right of way in the municipality. The following motion was finally passed:

Bell-Melander—"That the offer for a 66-foot road allowance along the south boundary of the S. E. 14 of Sec. 10, Tp. 14, for the sum of \$600 be accepted and that the payments be made to the owner, Mr. Cresswell, as follows: \$200 in 1913, \$200 in 1914 and the balance in 1915, said payments to include improvements and fencing in full." Couns. Frederickson and Satchell voted against; Couns. Bell and Melander for, the Reeve giving the casting vote for.

A petition from Wm. Groves and eight others from Peardonville was then read asking the council to spend the appropriation awarded Coun. Melander on the half mile situated south of the Huntingdon road, as it would give an outlet to the Boundaryline road.

Then followed a counter petition from H. Van Gelder and eleven other residents of Peardonville to the effect that the council reconsider their action whereby an expenditure of \$250 or \$300 should be spent on what is known as the Berger road, situated in the southwest corner of Ward I, but that this amount should be expended on the Boundary line road where it would be of immense benefit as it would create a through highway east and west across the municipality, intersecting with all roads south of

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### ATHLETIC CLUB FORMED FOR ABBOTSFORD

A most enthusiastic meeting of the delegates of each sporting club in Abbotsford was held on Tuesday evening last. It was unanimously agreed upon to unite in one body under the name of the Abbotsford Athletic Club. A large suite of rooms have been rented on Essendoene avenue, and well-appointed club rooms will be opened in about two weeks.

The United Ladies' Aid Societies, in conjunction with Mr. Chas. Hill-Tout, have very kindly offered to furnish the rooms.

The officers were elected as follows: President, Chas. Hill-Tout; Secretary, G. H. Liddell; Treasurer, W. Morgan.

A house committee was elected as follows: Mr. Gillett, Mr. Hayes, Mr. Sutherns, Mr. Morrison, Mr. C. H. Hanah, Mr. Heath.

#### Rules of the Club.

Club rooms close at 12 p.m.

After club has been formed, all new members be proposed by members and posted in the usual way.

All members must be bona fide members of some sports club, and in good standing with their clubs.

Any member who brings intoxicating liquors into the club rooms shall be forthwith expelled.

No gambling allowed in the club rooms.

No boy under 16 is permitted to smoke in the club.

Members are allowed to bring any strangers into the club and post them for one week.

A hearty vote of thanks was accorded Mr. Hill-Tout for the great interest he has taken in this movement.

### ALDERGROVE NEWS

Mr. David Grey, student missionary under appointment for the next six months, has removed his family here and is now occupying the house known as Dean's cottage.

Mr. Thompson from New Westminster, has been here on a visit looking after his property on Jackman road and within one and a half miles from the boundary line.

Farmers have finished their potato planting and quite a few have also tied up their gardens and made matters look pleasant. The growing on the main thoroughfare is also engaging the attention of some, whilst Jos. Bell looks as if he intends starting chicken ranching on a large scale.

### COMMITTEE MEETS

A meeting of the Agricultural Committee of the Board of Trade was held on Monday evening with a full attendance. Various matters of interest were discussed. The request of Secretary Wilkie, of the Fraser Valley Publicity Bureau for exhibits to be displayed in the Progress Club rooms, Vancouver, was dealt with, and exhibits would be forwarded as soon as obtainable.

Mr. B. B. Smith of the Pioneer store is confined to the hospital, Vancouver, suffering from a severe attack of rheumatism. His many friends hope for a speedy recovery.

### PRESERVATION OF HOME TRADE.

Study this on Sunday, practice it the rest of the week, and watch your town grow.

William Allen White, who, while editor of the Emporia Gazette, achieved nation-wide fame in a day with his "What's the Matter with Kansas?" is the author of the following:

"The preservation of the home trade to the home town carries with it the preservation of many of our institutions.

"It seems to me that a lot of good things in life will pass if the country town passes. And it will pass just so surely as centralization of retail mail order business continues.

"The country town, the town of from one thousand to one hundred thousand people, preserves better than the crowded city and better than the lonely ranch and isolated farm life, the things that make our country great.

"Here in these country towns the spirit of neighborliness is the prevailing spirit. Men come to know one another and when any two human beings come to know one another, in the one who is intelligent and wise respect always rises for the other. To know one's fellows always is to sympathize with them. Neighborliness always spells fraternity.

"The country town, with its broad circle of friendships, with its close, homely, simple relations between men, with its spirit of co-operation and its economic status that permits the creation of no indecency and no abjectly poor, the country town, it seems to me, is the most hopeful of our institutions.

"To destroy that town, furnishing the market for the farmer and giving steady employment to labor means a reorganization of our commercial, social and industrial life that will be revolutionary—and more a matter of doubtful value.

"The mail order house therefore becomes a menace to this country. The mail order house unrestricted will kill our smaller towns, creating great cities with their terrible contrasts of life, with their cruel social relations, with their inevitable caste feeling that comes from the presence of strangers who are rich and poor, living side by side.

comradery that comes when men know "Friendship, neighborliness, fraternity or whatever you call that spirit of comradery that comes when men know one another well, is the cement that holds together the bonds of unity. It is not created in great cities."

### ATTENDED THE SYNOD

The twenty-first annual session of the Presbyterian Synod was held in Vancouver last week. Abbotsford was represented by the Rev. Mr. Campbell. The synod is constituted of both ministerial and lay delegates from all parts of the province. It was decided at the conference to have a representative visit the different parts of the province to see that the morals of some towns were very much raised. This is to be done with the assistance of the local minister.

Mr. J. J. McPhee, of the Immigration Department at Huntingdon, left on Thursday for Montreal on a combined business and pleasure trip. He will visit his old home in P. E. Island before returning.



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Friday, May 16, 1913

It is the omen of a happy day for the Province of British Columbia that its government has appointed such an able commission to inquire into the agricultural difficulties of the farmer and fruit grower of the Province of British Columbia, and there is sure to be a solution to the present difficulties of those who work the land of British Columbia.

Every student of economics, even our government, is coming to realize more and more that the problems of getting farm produce to consumers at the least cost and the securing for the farmer working capital at a low rate of interest and prices for his produce that will adequately recompense him for his labor and investment, are all of the most vital importance. There is too much waste between the farmer and the consumer. This may be looked upon as not the fault of any one factor but rather that of all. Not only are the transportation interests and the various middlemen partly to blame, but even the producers and consumers are also to blame—the latter because of unloyalty to home institutions, and the former because of want of organization, not shipping in the right quantities and to the right markets.

It must strike the members of the commission as they pass through the province, holding meetings wherever there is an organized Farmers' Institute, very forcibly that the time has come for the farmers to organize themselves into selling associations. These associations should have in the principal cities representatives in constant and intimate touch with the market so that when a centre is glutted or threatens to become so shipments can be diverted to other points. The secret of selling is the equilibrium of distribution. This business-like distribution requires a high stage of development and the closest kinds of co-operative systems.

The more economical marketing of farm products is receiving attention all over the country, both Canada and the United States, and it is up to every community to "get busy."

It may be that a solution of the difficulty in this province will be the forming of these organizations and having them under governmental control, but organize should be the keynote of every farmer and grower.

Mother's Day was observed all over Canada and the United States on Sunday last. The occasion afforded a tribute of reverence and respect for motherhood, and the devotion, love and sacrifice that is often a mother's lot. White carnations were very much worn. But some of these days father is going to have a little annual celebration himself. True it is, home would lose its charm were it not for mother, but then father pays the rent, the grocery and the light bills and keeps the family in clothes. Father may have his faults in neglecting to clean off his shoes, hang his coat in the wrong place, scratch matches on the woodwork, even not admire the new hats of his wife and daughters, but he should be entitled to some honors as the bread winner.

Throughout the Fraser Valley and the State of Washington we hear much this year about the over production of potatoes. On account of small planting the price for several seasons rose beyond all reason. Hoping for a repetition of these exorbitant rates the farmers last year went to the opposite extreme that created the present glut of tubers. Proper organization would have prevented this. Thorough organization would mean advance information for the guidance of the growers as well as the proper marketing. With the assistance and advice of the people our agricultural commission will surely be able to bring forward some scheme that will mean organization and better times in the true sense of the word. At least it is our eternal hope that they will.

Calgary, its people, industries and opportunities will be introduced to the investing world through the medium of moving pictures. So far as is known Calgary will be the first city to take advantage of the films for advertising. How would Mission City and the other towns of the Fraser Valley look on the films? Our big red strawberries, other small fruits, our mountain scenery and fertile fields, would surely open up a new field of opportunity to those who are looking to Canada for a home.

Sir Charles Tupper, to a London paper on his return to England, stated that he had not the least doubt but that the Senate would pass the navy bill. They will look upon it as of both national and imperial importance.

Things are surely changing when the Americans permit the singing of "God Save the King" at a meeting in the United States. The best method we know of having eternal peace among the English speaking races would be for the United States to come back into the fold—"join hands across the Atlantic."

THE MARKETS

Ducks, of which there has been a great scarcity for weeks past, made their re-appearance at the weekly market this morning in fair quantities. The increased supply caused no weakening of prices \$14 to \$18 per dozen or 32 cents per lb. being obtained.

Exceptional briskness of trade characterized every department, with the exception of the vegetable section and an unusually large attendance of both buyers and sellers was the outstanding feature. The unfavorable weather which prevented agricultural operation being continued enabled many visitors from the surrounding farming districts to attend while it seemingly did not deter the housewives from accomplishing their weekly marketing.

Eggs remained firm at last week's price of 35 cents per dozen showing a tendency to strengthen before the close. Turkey eggs for hatching purposes were offered at 35 cents apiece.

The floral and plant section was the centre of attraction and the vendors experienced much difficulty in attending the large throng of buyers gathered. Cabbages and tomatoe plants for setting out were in great demand and were obtainable at 10c per dozen or 75c per 100. Geranium plants and rose bushes potted were also eagerly sought, the former at 15c per plant.

As predicted last week the prices in the fish section showed a decrease. Fresh spring salmon, red, being offered at 15 cents per lb., while white spring and halibut was purchasable at 10 cents.

Meat remained unchanged with no prospect of any difference for some time to come. Vegetables were weak with but little trade effected though an abundant supply was on offer.

Eggs, 30c to 35c	Eggs, wholesale, doz. 25c to 27c
Hatching eggs, doz. 50c to \$1	Eggs, duck, per dozen 35c to 40c
Chickens, per dozen \$12 to \$13	Pullets, per dozen \$12 to \$15
Young birds, per dozen \$6 to \$8	Broilers, per dozen \$4 to \$6
Poultry, live weight 20c to 23c	Ducks, per doz. \$12 to \$24
Ducks, per lb. 20c to 22c	Poultry, dressed, per lb. 30c
Turkey, per lb. live weight 33c to 35c	Geese, per lb. live weight 20c to 23c
Turkey, dressed, per lb. 40c	Geese, dressed, per lb. 23c to 25c

Vegetables	
Potatoes, per ton	\$8 to \$12
Beets, per sack	\$1.00
Carrots, per sack	75c
Cabbage, wholesale, lb.	1 1/2 to 2c
Cabbage, per head	10c to 15c
Onions, per sack	\$1.25
Celery, per crate	\$1.50
Turnips, per sack	60c
Parsnips	50c

Small Fruits	
Apples, per box	\$1 to \$1.2
Apples, 5 lbs.	25c
Pears, per box	\$1.00

Eggs and Butter	
Duck eggs, doz.	35c to 40c
Young birds, per dozen	\$6 to \$8
Butter, retail, per lb.	35c to 40c
Honey, per comb	25c

Wholesale Meat	
Pork, per lb.	13c to 13 1/2c
Lamb, per lb.	12 1/2c
Mutton, per lb.	12 1/2c to 13c

Retail Meats	
Beef, best rib roasts	20c to 22c
Beef, loin	26c to 27c
Beef, round steak	20c to 25c
Boiling beef	14c
Beef, short loin	28c
Beef, post roast	18c
Pork	20c to 25c
Mutton	20c to 22 1/2c
Sugar cured corned pork	20c
Homemade pork sausage, lb.	20c
Salted pigs' head, lb.	8c
Pickled pigs' shanks, lb.	10c
Pickled pigs' shanks, lb.	15c
Sugar cured hogs' heads, lb.	8c
Sugar cured corned beef, lb.	15c
Pure lard	15c
Sugar cured bacon	20c

Fish	
Salmon, cohoes	15c, 2 for 25c
Steelhead salmon, per lb.	15c
Sturgeon	15c
Halibut	10c
Smelts	10c
Oolichans, per lb.	10c
Cod, per lb.	10c
Salmon, frozen, per lb.	15c
Halibut, per lb.	12 1/2c
Spring salmon, red, lb.	20c
Spring salmon, white, lb.	15c

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### FORECAST FOR MONTH OF MAY.

O Pegasus, my winged steed, get  
ready for a test of speed, and down  
the worn out metric pike in lilted  
rhyme we'll make a hike. Help me, O  
Pegasus, I pray, to sing of sweet sun-  
shiny May.

May is the month when blue bells  
bloom, for now Old Winter's heard his  
doom, and robins nest and swallows  
fly, and feathered songsters in the  
sky and meadow larks at break of day  
proclaim that Spring has come to stay.

The mother crow sits on her nest,  
her mate flies far with hungry zest,  
no aid or favor does he beg, but brings  
her back a turkey's egg! The lazy  
buzzards in the air seem free all con-  
cern or care.

The busy hen protects her brood  
and clucks out her solicitude, and  
then with malice in her head she  
scratches up the flower bed. The  
rooster with tail-feathers curled crows  
out defiance to the world.

The fecund sow lies in the straw  
while her pigs the lactal draw,  
but knows with misery profound,  
they'll bring when grown 9 cents a

pound. Still she'll bring forth at  
Nature's call another litter in the  
fall!

Here's to the sow, likewise the hen,  
that minister to hungry men, and  
raise their young with loyal grace,  
that they may feed the human race!  
There's nothing that was ever tried  
that beats good ham or chicken fried!

In May the cow turns loose her  
milk that makes the butter finer'n  
silk and causes hungry men to yearn  
and crave the product of the churn.  
The milk-cow's queen, we'll all agree  
(or milch-cow, as the case may be.)  
The farmer in the month of May,  
gets up before the break of day, and  
by the flitful lantern's gleam he feeds  
and curries down his team. Then in  
the cold, grey dewy morn goes to the  
field to plow for corn.

No union rules control his hours,  
no eight-hour day restrains his powers,  
but steadily from dawn to dark the  
farmer never stops his work. If he  
should rest for just one year, how it  
would throw things out of gear!

He'd starve the blooming world to  
death if he should stop to take his  
breath for three short months, or  
strike or shirk, and sit down and re-  
fuse to work! To him let banners be

unfair, here's to the man who feeds  
the world!

The month of May in Washington  
is likely to be full of fun, and the  
triumphant democrats will smite the  
tariff in the slats, and sheep and  
sugar in the House are liable to  
catch the douse.

But worse than all in May will  
come the pesky house fly's fearsome  
hum, and everywhere we'll hear the  
cry: "The time has come to swat  
the fly!" And they'll be swatted to  
their doom as they dot up the living  
room.

But still the fly, the insect pest,  
will buzz around and never rest and  
one old hen fly in a season will mul-  
tiply beyond all reason, until the off-  
spring of this fly could fill with dots  
the very sky!

Depraved he lives until the end,  
but still the fly may be our friend.  
Where putrid filth and dirt occur  
you'll find this busy scavenger. He  
intercepts the miasm's breath, and  
starves the pestilence to death.

Here's to the fly, despite the ban;  
true, he's depraved but so is man;  
he loves in filth and dirt to stay, but  
lots of men are that same way. He  
is, despite his lack of worth, the  
insect buzzard of the earth.

Then let the cranky housewife  
swat, we'll seek some mossy, shady  
spot, where violets and blue bells  
bloom and leave the house flies to  
their doom. We'll let happy children  
play and pluck the fragrant flowers  
of May.

While orchards bloom and robins  
sing and Nature dons her wedding  
ring and feathered songsters are  
attune and breezy May xels sunny  
June, we'll stretch ourselves on  
earth's warm breast and from all care  
and trouble rest.

But I will stop this "lilted" rot  
while children play and housewives  
swat. The flies may scatter deadly  
germs but I'll go out and dig some  
worms and satisfy my vernal wish,  
and on the creek bank fish and fish.

### MATSQUI COUNCIL.

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the Yale road and connecting at the  
west with a good road in the Langley  
municipality.

Mr. Sam Campbell, of Peardonville,  
appeared in behalf of the latter peti-  
tion and gave the council some valu-  
able information in regard to this  
road. He also stated that all the pe-  
titioners would guarantee to do six  
days' work free on the proposed road.  
This road would also connect with the  
Pacific Highway and would be of great  
benefit to the whole municipality. Af-  
ter considerable discussion the follow-  
ing motion was passed:

Melander-Frederickson—"That the  
\$250 appropriation for the Berger road  
be cancelled and the said sum appro-  
priated on the International Boundary  
line road from the S.W. 1-4 Sec. 3,  
Tp. 13, provided the subscribed work  
is performed before the money is ex-  
pended and provided also that the said  
land owners give 66 feet road allow-  
ance free of charge."

From the Glen Valley Land Co. ob-  
jecting to the proposed diversion of  
the Pacific Highway. This matter came  
under the purchase of the right-of-way  
from Mr. Cresswell.

From the Attorney General re the  
duties of police officials, etc. Filed.

From the Canadian Northern engi-  
neer stating that a loading siding  
would be constructed at Matsqui as  
soon as the railway company is ready  
to operate; also re moving telegraph  
poles on the Bell road crossing, this  
would be acceptable to the company.

From Secretary Wilkie of the F. V.  
Publicity Bureau, asking the council's  
assistance in procuring exhibits. The  
matter would be attended to as soon  
as the exhibits were forthcoming.

From Hope & Farmer enclosing  
plans of a sub-division. Coun. Melan-  
der to investigate.

From J. Isreal re damaged bridge on  
his road. Referred to Coun. Satchell.

From H. C. Benson, Clayburn, ask-  
ing the council to notify Mr. Weirson  
of the shingle mill to remove trees he  
has left on side of Clayburn road and  
also that the ditches will have to be  
kept open. He also asked for \$50 to  
repair the road between the shingle

## EVERYBODY RIDES A FORD SOON

A news item appeared in the pa-  
pers a few days ago that John D.  
Rockefeller, the oil king, had pur-  
chased the entire plant of the Ford  
Automobile Manufacturing company,  
and that he will continue to make the  
machines, only the price will be re-  
duced to such an extent that even  
the man who works on the streets for  
\$2.50 a day can afford to ride in a  
buzz wagon. The item stated that  
Rockefeller would manufacture the  
Ford auto so that it could be sold for  
\$200, about the cost of making the  
machines, and that he would, by this  
shrewd move, sell ten machines where  
now one is disposed of, thus increas-  
ing many times the sale of gasoline,  
which is sold by the Standard Oil  
company.

This is just like one of Rockefeller's  
shrewd business deals—he would sell  
the machines for actual cost, and then  
raise the price of gasoline, say, one-  
half cent a gallon, which would mean  
the accumulation of many millions of  
dollars in the course of a year. So if  
this item is true the most humble citi-  
zen will be able to own an auto as  
soon as the oil king takes over the  
Ford establishment.

### Lord's Day Act.

Application has been made to the  
Attorney-General of the province for  
his official consent to the initiation  
of the various additional prosecutions  
under the Lord's Day Act. Hon. Mr.  
Bowser now has these under his con-  
sideration, his decision being held in  
abeyance until the determination of  
certain technical points raised in the  
police courts over previous convic-  
tions.

Post Office Inspector Greenfield of  
Vancouver is on a tour of the Fraser  
Valley as far as Chilliwack in connec-  
tion with the proposed rural mail de-  
livery system. He will make a thor-  
ough inspection of the conditions exist-  
ing in those districts and report to the  
government on the required improve-  
ments. Although the tenders for the  
proposed rural mail delivery were sup-  
posed to be in by April 4, no word has  
yet been received by the local office  
as to this delivery.

mill and the high trestle. Referred  
to Coun. Frederickson.

Melander-Satchell—That Coun. Fre-  
derickson be authorized to spend \$400  
in travelling on the Townsite line  
road, the same being the annual pay-  
ment from the Western Canada Pow-  
er Co.

Melander-Frederickson—That the  
Reeve and Clerk be authorized to sign  
plans of sub-division of part of Block  
9, Group 2.

Mr. Owens, President of the Matsqui  
Agricultural Society, appeared before  
the council for financial assistance in  
the shape of a \$500 grant. This  
brought forth considerable discus-  
sion, several of the ratepayers  
thinking this money could be better  
spent on the roads and that it should  
also be left to a vote of the people,  
while the Reeve and Clerk spoke in  
favor of the grant as they thought the  
association was of great benefit to the  
whole municipality. The following  
motion was finally passed:

Bell-Frederickson—That the sum of  
\$200 be appropriated the Matsqui Ag-  
ricultural Association.

Bell-Frederickson—That Mrs. B. Mc-  
Kay be paid \$52.70 for strip of land  
in N.E. 1-4 of Sec. 2, Tp. 14.

Bell-Melander—That Coun. Freder-  
ickson purchase lumber for culverts  
for road purposes.

Satchell-Bell—That the Canadian  
Northern be requested to remove ob-  
struction caused by slide at approach  
to Mt. Lehman wharf, and would also  
urge the removal of the railway fence  
to its proper place.

The usual monthly accounts were  
passed.

Court of Revision will be held at Mt.  
Lehman on Saturday, May 17.

Melander-Frederickson—That \$150  
be expended on the hill on the Town-  
ship line road.

Council then adjourned.

## LIVE STOCK INDUSTRY IS TO BE REVIVED

Announcement has been made by  
the Minister of Agriculture this week  
of an advanced policy for the encour-  
agement of the live stock industry  
which is particularly designed to help  
newer settlements. When Dr. Ruther-  
ford resigned about a year ago, he oc-  
cupied the dual position of Veterinary  
Director General and Live Stock Com-  
missioner. In view of the importance  
of the industry and its growing needs,  
and in response to strong appeals from  
those interested in the progress of  
the industry, Hon. Martin Burrell, Min-  
ister of Agriculture, decided to sepa-  
rate the two offices and create a distinct  
branch for live stock under a commis-  
sioner. Dr. Fred Torrance was ap-  
pointed Veterinary Director General and  
John Bright was appointed Live  
Stock Commissioner. Mr. Bright  
brought to the office of commissioner  
a wide and practical knowledge of mat-  
ters affecting the live stock industry.

The minister directed the new com-  
missioner and his staff to make a close  
study of the existing conditions with  
a view to formulating a plan for ef-  
fective and early aid to the industry,  
and has now approved of proposals  
which will tend to the solution of one  
of the greatest difficulties standing in  
the way of live stock development in  
many parts of Canada, particularly in  
the newly settled districts, namely the  
distribution of well bred stallions,  
bulls, rams and boars. The original  
cost of the animals will be borne by  
the Department and they will be  
placed in the hands of such local or-  
ganizations as agree to certain condi-  
tions which will be set forth.

In a word, these sires will remain  
the property of the Department, but  
local associations will be responsible  
for their proper maintenance, and man-  
agement under the general supervision  
of officers of the Live Stock Branch.

All animals distributed will be  
bought, if possible, from home breed-  
ers and will be Canadian bred. As  
far as possible they will be purchased  
in the province in which they are to be  
placed.

In this way Canadian breeders will  
receive encouragement and their mar-  
ket will be increased not only directly  
but also indirectly through the  
emphasis given throughout the country  
to the value of pure bred sires. It may  
be added that it is not the intention  
to place the animals in districts where  
suitable male animals of the same  
class are already owned by private in-  
dividuals. The aim is rather to aid  
sections where pure bred sires are  
lacking and as well to encourage new  
communities in following a proper and  
intelligent system in breeding.

All bulls distributed will be pur-  
chased subject to the tuberculin test,  
and only stallions which have passed  
a rigid veterinary inspection for  
soundness will be selected.

Local associations formed for the  
purpose will with the co-operation of  
the officers of the Live Stock Branch  
arrange for the practical working out  
of the details of the scheme.

## NOT AS IT SHOULD BE ADVER- TISED

For a truth it may be said that the  
Fraser Valley is not exploited as it  
should be, especially for its scenic and  
climatic resources. The east has but  
a faint idea of the natural conditions  
that makes living in the Fraser Valley  
so delightful. If the cities of Vancou-  
ver and New Westminster would ad-  
vertise the Fraser Valley along with  
their cities telling of the absence of  
extreme heat and cold, and the fertility  
of the soil, they would not only be  
doing themselves a great deal of good  
but would be building up a country  
district adjacent to these towns that  
would give employment to the surplus  
population that is ever wending its  
way to the city where it is hard to  
always get employment, and be tribu-  
tary to the cities.

One has only to stand on the streets  
of Vancouver to see how the town has  
been advertised. There are emigrants  
from all parts of the world, who ap-  
parently know of no place on the coast  
but the city of Vancouver. If the  
words "Fraser Valley" were used along  
with the word "Vancouver" it would  
be doing these new people a justice  
and helping to people a rich and fertile  
district. Some such advertising is  
done, but not enough.

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LOCALS.

Chief Provincial Constable T. Smith of Vancouver, was in Abbotsford on official business this week.

Mr. Art Kirschener is now in charge of Currie & McKenzie's auto. "Art," besides being a careful driver, is a thorough auto mechanic, and now has his hands full showing prospective settlers the surrounding country.

It is reported on good authority that our local station agent has received a carload of fine cordwood, and now he is looking for someone to split it.

WHERE DO ROSES BLOOM?

How many towns are there in the Fraser Valley where roses are in bloom at the present time? That is the question Mr. A. M. King, who recently sold out his meat market in Abbotsford, would like to know. Last year Mr. King was the first to have roses blooming in his garden and just to keep the good work going, and incidentally to show that the soil of Abbotsford is exceedingly productive, Mr. King is to the front again this year with five fine rose trees in full bloom.

ROSS.

The death of Miss Catherine Ross, aged 70, occurred at the Royal Columbian hospital last Saturday afternoon. Miss Ross has been a resident of the city for the past ten years. Born in Scotland, she moved to Ontario in the '60's, and later coming to British Columbia operated a ranch at Mt. Lehman for some time. She is survived by a brother, Mr. Hugh Ross, of Ferguson, B. C., who is expected to arrive in the city today and take charge of the funeral arrangements. Miss Ross resided at 226 Hospital street, Sapperton.

MATSQUI PRAIRIE NOTES

Taking advantage of the fine weather, the farmers have been busy seeding, which work is now pretty nearly all finished. A record hay crop is expected this year on Matsqui Prairie. Councillor Bell has received a grant of \$2000 from the provincial government, a thousand dollars of which is to be utilized for graveling Gage road and the balance of Harris road.

Mr. Thos. Lehman, who is a guest of Councillor Bell, has got his bridge gang at work on the new bridge at Matsqui over the big slough.

Mr. K. O. Bodson of Bellingham was up with a party in his automobile last Sunday and was the guest of F. P. Helverston, where an enjoyable day was spent.

A representative of the new oil company, which is going to prospect for oil on the Prairie, was around the other day and there is every reason to hope that boring operations will commence very shortly.

A lamentable accident happened this week whereby an unfortunate man, who, for some time had worked in the Mt. Lehman district, was instantly killed by a train on the C.P.R. bridge over the Fraser River. Dr. F. A. Stuart (coroner) held the inquest at Riverside, and the body was subsequently interred at Mt. Lehman.

CHILLIWACK NEWS ITEMS

Charles W. Webb (clerk and assessor for the township of Chilliwack, is entitled to a pair of white kid gloves. At the Court of Revision held to hear protests, not one protest had been filed. The Court went through the form of convening, swearing in the members and acceptance of the assessment roll.

Chilliwack has a half holiday each Thursday afternoon. The provisional directors appointed to take the preliminary steps in organizing the Chilliwack Producers' Association, have been encouraged in their work by the number of persons signifying their intention to become members. The papers of incorporation have been accepted by the government and will be forwarded in a few days to the secretary who will call a meeting to conclude the organization of the Society.

Gone but Watched.

The township has been relieved of their charge of looking after wayward boys. This responsibility fell from the shoulders of the township fathers by the action of the boy who borrowed a horse, saddle and bridle from Mr. Ernest Smedley without the consent of

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that gentleman, and made his exit from the valley by way of Sumas City, Wash. The horse and saddle were recovered afterwards, and the boy is now under the eyes of the United States immigration officers and working for \$10 a month and board with a Nooksack Valley farmer.

MADE 'EM HAPPY

Poughkeepsie, N. Y., May 13—Vassar girls are jubilant today, the faculty having given them permission to turkey trot and tango at the senior promenade on May 30th.

And thus the "uplift in higher education" advances. But the drop would be painful if some one propounded to the "girls" of what constitution a "mulligan" or how an "Irish stew" was concocted.

DIRIGIBLES IN WAR

England is finding some small consolation in the mishap to the Zeppelin dirigible which came to grief near Lunenburg, in France, but such satisfaction as it is chilled by the recollection of the flying ship-of-war that hovered over Sheerness. Germany has perfected a type of rigid dirigible capable of flying 1,000 miles at the rate of sixty miles an hour with a cargo of several tons. It has cost Germany much in toil and money, but Teutonic patience has been partially rewarded.

There is still one flaw. The rigid dirigible has a disadvantage over the less powerful and speedy flexible. It must land under fixed conditions where there is a sheltering shed. Otherwise it is in grave danger of a smashup. With good weather a fleet of dirigibles could fly from Germany to England and back and do no end of damage. England, in theory, is no longer protected by her insularity, and is correspondingly nervous.

So far, however, air military tactics are of necessity theoretical. England plans to build defensive biplanes capable of flying eighty miles an hour and carrying three men. Aerial theory is that three of the biplanes could worry a big dirigible to ruin. Their speed margin of twenty miles an hour and ability to rise gives them all the advantages enjoyed by the kingbirds when they make war on the crow.

But the dirigible is not entirely defenceless. The Germans have a platform on top of the rigid gas container equipped with a gun for sky firing, so that they can protect themselves from above as well as from below. The dirigible, with its bulk—they are 500 feet long—offers a big target for the aerial marksmen, while the deafening aeroplanes are much more difficult to hit. On paper, aeroplanes, backed by batteries of sky-firing guns, are a good defence and cost about one-thirtieth as much as the dirigibles.

Popular opinion has dismissed air craft from war possibilities, but military opinion has not. The dirigible dreadnought is a reality in France and Germany today.—Seattle P.-I.

Sumas will celebrate the 4th and 5th of July this year in a style similar to that of last year, winding up with a big game of baseball on the Sunday following.

The general rate of taxes for Maple Ridge this year is 10 mills; school rate 3 mills; wild land rate, 45 mills. A rebate of one-sixth of the amount due will be allowed on all taxes paid before September 15 providing there are no arrears due on the property in

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