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**WEATHER REPORT FOR MARCH.**  
Compiled by Mr. C. H. Urseth, of the  
Bella Coola Observatory.  
Temperature: Maximum, 44. Minimum, 30.  
Highest Max. (20th) 60. Lowest Min. (2nd) 8.  
Rainfall, 6.16 inches. Snow, 14 inches.  
Rainfall for the year (1915) 34.33 inches.

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### ITEMS OF WAR NEWS

Paris, April 18.—Left bank of the Meuse there has been intense bombardment of French positions at Avoucourt Wood, near Le-morte-Hommes and Cumieres. On the right bank of river the night passed relatively calm except region of Hudremont, where there is continuous artillery activity, but there has been no infantry attacks during day or night. During the nights of April 16 and 17 French air squadron combatted with enemy aeroplanes and routed them, bringing down one out of the six. French armed aeroplane flying over North Sea dropped sixteen shells on an enemy vessel, eleven found mark and vessel sank.

Brokenhurst, April 18.—Lord Montague said, "Germany has six Zeppelins which will be available for use on England by May 20."

Paris, April 18.—During a raid by two French aerial squadrons on the Saloniki front, according to an Athens despatch, one squadron dropped bombs on the Bulgarian forces assembled at Samitza station and the other squadron attacked the German positions at Bogdantze. Both squadrons returned undamaged.

London, April 18.—It is confirmed that the French captured the submarine that torpedoed the Sussex, taking prisoners the captain and crew, who confessed to torpedoing the passenger steamer.

Heavy casualty list posted of British and Canadians on the St. Etienne front, where heavy fighting has taken place in past two days.

Negotiations between United States and Germany being eagerly followed in Austria-Hungary. Count Tisza, Hungarian premier, is vehemently opposing any policy likely to lead to open rupture with the United States.

Washington, April 18.—President Wilson completes note to Germany, it is the most vigorous yet written; immediate change of the German submarine policy is demanded. Relations between the two countries are expected to be broken.

All kinds of rumors regarding Villa are afloat. No reliable information about the progress of the expedition, but American soldiers will not be withdrawn from Mexico.

Petrograd, April 19.—Trebizond, the most important city on the Black Sea, has been captured by the Russians.

Washington, D. C., April 19.—President Wilson will appear before Congress today and lay the entire submarine question before both Houses. A break in the diplomatic relations with Germany is said to be imminent.

London, April 19.—The British cabinet crisis over the recruiting problem is still acute.

Indications point that cabinet ministers apparently have been unable to agree on the conscription question was furnished by the announcement that Premier Asquith would not make his expected speech on the subject.

It is rumored that David Lloyd George presented his resignation owing to differences of opinion having arisen regarding conscription.

The British lines on the south bank of the Tigris in Mesopotamia were forced back by Turkish forces a distance of from five hundred to eight hundred yards.

The Russian barque Schwanden, which left Greenock, Scotland, on March 23rd for Mobile, Alabama, has been torpedoed by a German submarine. Almost the whole of the crew were saved.

Paris, April 19.—On the left bank of the Meuse there has been severe bombardment on our first line positions between Deadman Hill and Cumieres. On the right bank the night passed relatively quiet.

It has been confirmed that the German attack delivered yesterday between Meuse and Douaumont took character of extreme violence. Further information adds that this offensive attack was conducted by troops belonging to five different divisions; the losses were heavy on both sides.

In the east salient at Chaffeur Wood, the enemy succeeded in penetrating our first line trenches, but from this position he was in part driven out by our counter attacks. In Woevre there has been artillery engagements in the sector near Moutainville. German reconnaissance endeavoring to approach our trenches from the direction of Harnepere were repulsed by the use of hand grenades.

Saloniki, April 19.—22 French aeroplanes bombarded the headquarters of the Bulgarian staff at Doiran. French officers say that a German squadron of aircrafts attempted to engage the bombarding French machines, but when the enemy was attacked by special rapid firing guns he was forced to abandon the attempt.

London, April 20.—Over fifty thousand Turks were captured at the fall of Trebizond. The Norwegian steamer Terje Viken was sunk Monday. The crew were saved. Spirited bombardment on Verdun front. Nothing of importance occurred other fronts.

Washington, April 20.—President Wilson told Congress, assembled in joint session, shortly after 1 p. m. this afternoon, he had given Germany irrevocable notification that the United States will break off diplomatic relations if her illegal submarine campaign is continued. America's last word, which is practically an ultimatum and demanding immediate reply, presumably was in Berlin foreign office as the president was speaking. President Wilson asked no action whatever of Congress; he simply informed it of the accumulation of facts proving Germany's assurances to the United States being violated. The submarine campaign is, despite the earnest protest from United States, being conducted with renewed vigor in contravention to all laws of nations and humanity, and he means to sever relations unless it is brought within law. Diplomatic history of the world shows that such a course is almost certain to be followed by war. President's note and his address to Congress are final; they mark the end of diplomatic exchanges and the continuance of long-standing friendly relations depends alone upon Germany's conduct.

### Jottings of Bella Coola and District

S. S. Chelohsin made her weekly appearance last Sunday at 12 noon.

The number of passengers was larger than for some time past and included A. W. Stone, Fred Groves, W. M. Burke, D. H. Hoage, B. F. Allen, Chas. Tucker, E. J. Conway, Miss Smaby and Mrs. A. Woods.

As the steamer called at Kimsquit this trip a large number of employees for the Manito cannery were on board. Mrs. C. Draney of Namu and several members of her household went up to Kimsquit cannery for the summer.

Mr. Ivan Estenson was the only passenger going out and he says that after a short visit to his people in Minnesota he will return and stay for good.

In the evening the same day the cannery tug Kimsquit called on its way to Kimsquit. Chas. Draney, the cannery manager, was aboard. After taking in a supply of potatoes and kidnapping Gus Pearson to instal him in his former position as netboss at the Kimsquit cannery, the tug departed on Monday morning.

A. W. Stone, provincial constable and fishery officer, with Fred Groves and W. M. Burke, his assistants, are here to study the habits of the salmon. The provincial government, for the purpose of adopting plans for the protection and propagation of the salmon is carrying on a systematic investigation along the rivers of the coast. Mr. Stone and his assistants will devote several weeks at Bella Coola and Kimsquit.

E. J. Conway, travelling representative of the Granby Co., has been in Bella Coola before in his capacity of expert in estimating the value of mining properties as producers. He has, during this week, examined some properties on Dean Channel which we hope he will report sufficiently valuable to be taken over and worked by the company he represents.

B. F. Allen, the genial salesman of the wholesale dry goods house of Johnson Bros., Vancouver, is interviewing his customers both here and at Hagensborg, and also selling them the goods.

D. H. Hoage returned to his home at the Crossing after a long stay in the State of Washington. He reports that money is plentiful in Seattle, and as a result of prohibition the merchants find trade has improved greatly and, generally speaking, times are mending rapidly. His son, James, who sustained severe injuries in an accident last fall, is now working at good wages. He is not fully recovered but is steadily getting stronger.

Chas. Tucker, Dominion constable, stayed away three weeks and then returned. It is not necessary to mention that there is no trouble remaining among the Indians after he has paid them a visit.

The ladies of the W. C. T. U. met on Wednesday afternoon. It was decided to expend the sum of six dollars and fifty cents (which was the amount realized on the sale of violets donated by Mrs. Grant) on wool to be knitted into socks for the Red Cross, while the balance of fifty-one dollars and seventy cents be sent direct to the Vancouver Branch of the Red Cross Society.

Arrangements are being made for a musical evening on Saturday, May 6th, at which short temperance addresses will be given. All are cordially invited to attend. Admission free.

The steamer Bertha D (Capt. Moorehouse) came up from Namu on Thursday. She left for Kimsquit on Friday morning. It is definitely settled that both canneries at Kimsquit will operate this year.

General-manager Rudge of the Draney Fisheries Ltd. and manager English of the Namu cannery were on board, on a tour of inspection of the company's plants.

Road-superintendent R. Jennings arrived in town from Prince Rupert Thursday night and left early on Friday morning for the upper valley.

Another shipment of empty salmon tins have arrived for the local cannery from the American-Canadian factory's plant at Wadham during the week. This will bring the amount of tins on hand up to 12,000 cases, which is about half of the quantity that will be required for the season's pack.

### Aeroplane Crosses the Valley.

The first bi-plane to appear in the vicinity of Bella Coola was, according to the settlers at Canoe Crossing, to be seen crossing the valley at that place on Thursday morning last.

The air-craft, coming from the south, was flying low enabling the observers to have a good view besides hearing the noise of the engines. After circling for a few minutes the machine disappeared in a northerly direction. It is supposed that the aeroplane was a friendly one as no bombs were dropped.

J. H. Shafer is down from Tudistan, near Anaham Lake. Although the climate of the Interior agrees with him he prefers to spend the summer in Bella Coola.

It is reported that J. P. Robertson, an old-time settler of Bella Coola and who for a few years has lived in the Le Mar Valley, Chilcotin, has committed suicide.

It appears that Mr. Robertson acted strangely for some time before his death. Melancholy is attributed for his rash act.

He was favorably known among the people of Bella Coola during his residence in the valley. But the last year or two of his stay here he began to show indications of an unbalanced mind and it is very likely that insanity is the real cause of his suicide.

We are in receipt of a letter from A. H. Tomlinson, who has been assistant horticulturist for this district for some time, that he has resigned from his present position and accepted another in connection with the landscape branch of the horticultural department of the Ontario Agricultural College at Guelph.

He states in the same letter that he hopes to make a final trip to Bella Coola and that he will then try to get in touch with as many of the settlers as possible.

While we congratulate Mr. Tomlinson on his obtaining a better position we at the same time feel sorry to lose a capable official, who has shown himself very much in earnest in promoting agriculture in his district. His many friends will be glad if he, in his new surroundings, would continue to favor them with his valuable contributions through this journal from time to time.

The outlook for the mining industry on the Coast is becoming

### NOTICE.

SEALED TENDERS, addressed to the Secretary, Bella Coola Telephone, Light & Power Co., will be received at Bella Coola until noon, April 29th, for repairs and upkeep of Telephone line from Bella Coola to A. Hammer's place for nine and a half months (May 1st to February 15th).

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A. C. CHRISTENSEN, Secretary.

more promising. The mine at Surf Inlet is developing into a very remunerative property.

Some properties on Douglass Channel, or Kitimat, is coming to the front with very good showing.

Tomorrow at the Mission Church there will be a special song service at 2 p. m.

The Indians have been trained and will, it is confidently expected, prove a credit to themselves and their instructor. In fact it is predicted the singing will be "exceedingly fine."

The white people should encourage these efforts by a large attendance.

We hasten to extend our thanks to Wilfrid Gibson, the prominent photographer of Victoria, for the gift of the fine cut of our soldier boys printed in the Courier two weeks ago. Our thanks are somewhat belated because it is just learned to whom we are indebted.

Capt. Parks, who for so many years has safely piloted one of Union Steamship Company's passenger steamers up and down the Coast, will, it is learned, soon transfer his services to the Granby Consolidated Co. He will on June 1st assume command of the S. S. Turret Crown, 3000 tons, built at Newcastle-on-Tyne, 1905.

At present this steamer is running between Halifax and the West Indies. It will come to this coast at the opening of the Panama Canal.

We learn with deep regret that Dr. T. H. A. Jamieson died last week at Vancouver.

Dr. Jamieson was well and favorably known to the people of Bella Coola. He came here in the fall of 1908 and stayed two years practicing his profession as a physician. He was a conscientious, energetic and painstaking doctor and it was with sincere sorrow and disappointment his many friends here saw his departure for larger fields.

His body has been taken East for burial.



### Easter Sunday

Special Song Service to be held in the Indian Mission Church at 2 p. m., sharp.

The following anthems will be sung:

"THE EARTH IS THE LORD'S."  
"JERUSALEM."  
"VESPER AFTER BENEDICTION."

All are cordially invited.

A special Easter service will be held at the Mackenzie School at 7:30 p. m.

Preacher—REV. W. H. GIBSON.

Special solos to be rendered:

Anthem ..... "THIS IS THE DAY."  
Cello solo ..... Melody in "F"  
Mrs. W. Linnell.  
Solo ..... "PEACE BE STILL."  
Miss Clayton.  
Solo ..... "ORO PRO NOBIS."  
Mr. A. Atkins.  
Solo ..... "A BLESSING."  
Miss Gibson.

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"Salus populi suprema est lex."

SATURDAY, APRIL 22, 1916.

### The Extent of Mr. Bowser's Power.

We sometimes have our doubts if Hon. W. J. Bowser is the great legal luminary his position as attorney-general would lead one to expect. For instance, at times he has referred several cases setting forth his conceptions of the province's legal rights to the privy council, the supreme court of the Empire, and has had the chagrin to see most of them reversed.

His conception of his power as a minister of the crown seems to be equally confused or incorrect. He evidently labors under the delusion that his exalted position gives him the power of an autocrat. When we make this statement, we do not refer to the high handed manner in which he dealt with the ousting of Mr. Turner from the agent-general's office, nor his promising him all sorts of nice things for going out peaceably; because in these instances he felt that the people's representatives in the legislature would submissively sustain him. But we refer to the secrecy he maintains as to the reasons for his extraordinary generosity in consenting to pay Mr. Turner's private debt out of the public treasury.

Another of his transactions which proves his lack of understanding the scope of his authority is that in which one of the Mackenzie & Mann companies in the registering of an instrument of which the fee was \$13,473.98, he ordered the registrar-general to let the company off by paying only \$200, giving as a reason that times were hard.

He as a lawyer ought to know that he has no right, even though he is the attorney-general of the province, to bend the law in favor of anyone. He ought to know that the law is no respecter of persons, that its provisions should be enforced in respect to all, whether rich or poor. The times may be hard, but the tax collector is relentless. All must pay according to the terms of law. Times may be hard, but we have a suspicion that there are some taxpayers who are in a harder pinch than the millionaires which aroused the attorney-general's sympathies and leniency.

In the case of the secrecy he observes in the Turner transaction he evidently thinks the people have no right to inquire

into the reasons for his great generosity with their money.

He does not consider himself in the position of a public servant, who is in duty bound to give an account to his employers.

He probably considers this case similar in principle to the secret debates which obtains where international treaties or relations are under discussion; as in them if everything were related it might disturb the peace of the country.

We take the liberty of assuring Mr. Bowser that we cannot conceive of any of his dealings open or secret which may hereafter come before the public before next election, will add to the disturbance already existing. We have got so, we expect almost any audacious act from our present government; so Mr. Bowser may just as well let the secret out.

### The Government's Appeal to Farmers.

Business men have proven that it pays to advertise. The Courier contains advertisements from several reputable business houses which it will pay the people to patronize.

It is seldom we call the attention of our subscribers to these advertisements although it is to the interest of the paper that they be read and heeded.

This issue contains one from the Dominion government which it is the duty and to the interest of every farmer especially to study.

It is an appeal to the producers to use the land, the resources under their control, in such a way as to produce the largest results in food stuffs. This matter should be looked upon from a patriotic point of view, not as a question of dollars and cents. This country in order to carry on the war needs not only soldiers, but also that which gives them strength and efficiency. If we cannot go to the war let us at home, in our respective callings, bend our intelligence and our energies to the production of that which must be produced in order that victory be ours.

It should be the business of the executive of the Farmers' Institute in Bella Coola and patriotic



individuals where no organization exists, to take up this question of how to increase the productivity of our land under serious consideration. Our government agricultural expert is expected to come here shortly; counsel with him and devise practical plans to be laid before the farmers for their approval and guidance. But act soon, no time must be lost.

### We Will Celebrate.

The Empire Day is drawing near. It is conceded along this Coast that Bella Coola has in the years past observed the day on a scale in proportion to its size. People from the surrounding places have made it a practice to come here for the celebration and have gone away glad that they made the trip.

This year will prove no exception to this good rule. If possible the day should be celebrated more elaborately than ever. The great struggle in which the Empire is engaged should make this day an occasion for the display of that fervent patriotism which prevails in every British heart.

The many people engaged at Ocean Falls, the logging camps and canneries, must break loose that day and come to Bella Coola in order that we all together make the Empire Day a day which will fill us with more patriotism and more willingness to make sacrifices for our land and the great principles for which it is fighting.

We are glad to learn that our Red Cross Committee has already began planning for the proper observance of the day. We have not learned any particulars concerning the plans, but feel safe in informing our readers that the day will, among many attractions offered for the enjoyment and entertainment of the visitors, be made the occasion for an effort to raise money for the Red Cross Society and possibly for the Patriotic Fund. No one

should be permitted at this critical time to use the grounds for purposes of private gain. All monies received for refreshments, amusements, etc., should be used for patriotic purposes. For the defrayal of expenses subscriptions may be solicited beforehand.

These suggestions offered are not for the purpose of influencing the plans of the committee, but are made in order that our readers living at adjacent places may know what Bella Coola intends to do and make arrangements to come here on Empire Day and bring as many with them as possible.

### Our Aim in the War.

The German Chancellor in a recent speech in the Reichstag, commenting upon the peace terms as outlined by Premier Asquith, said that Germany would continue the war in defense of Prussian militarism to the bitter end or words to that effect.

He made out that Germany's existence depended on its military strength.

It is to be hoped that one of the results of the war will be that the existence of the weak nations will be safeguarded and as safe and firmly established as that of the strongest.

Premier Asquith explained in a speech a few days ago what he meant by the destruction of Prussian militarism.

"Great Britain and France," he said, "entered the war not to strangle Germany or to wipe her off the map of Europe; not to destroy or mutilate her national life; certainly not to interfere with the free exercise of her peaceful endeavors."

As a result of this war we intend to establish the principle that international problems must be handled by free negotiations on equal terms between free peoples and that this shall no longer be hampered or swayed by the overmastering dictation of a military caste."

This is clear and precise language. It places the issue between the Allies and Germany, between the rule of Law and the rule of Force, squarely before the world.

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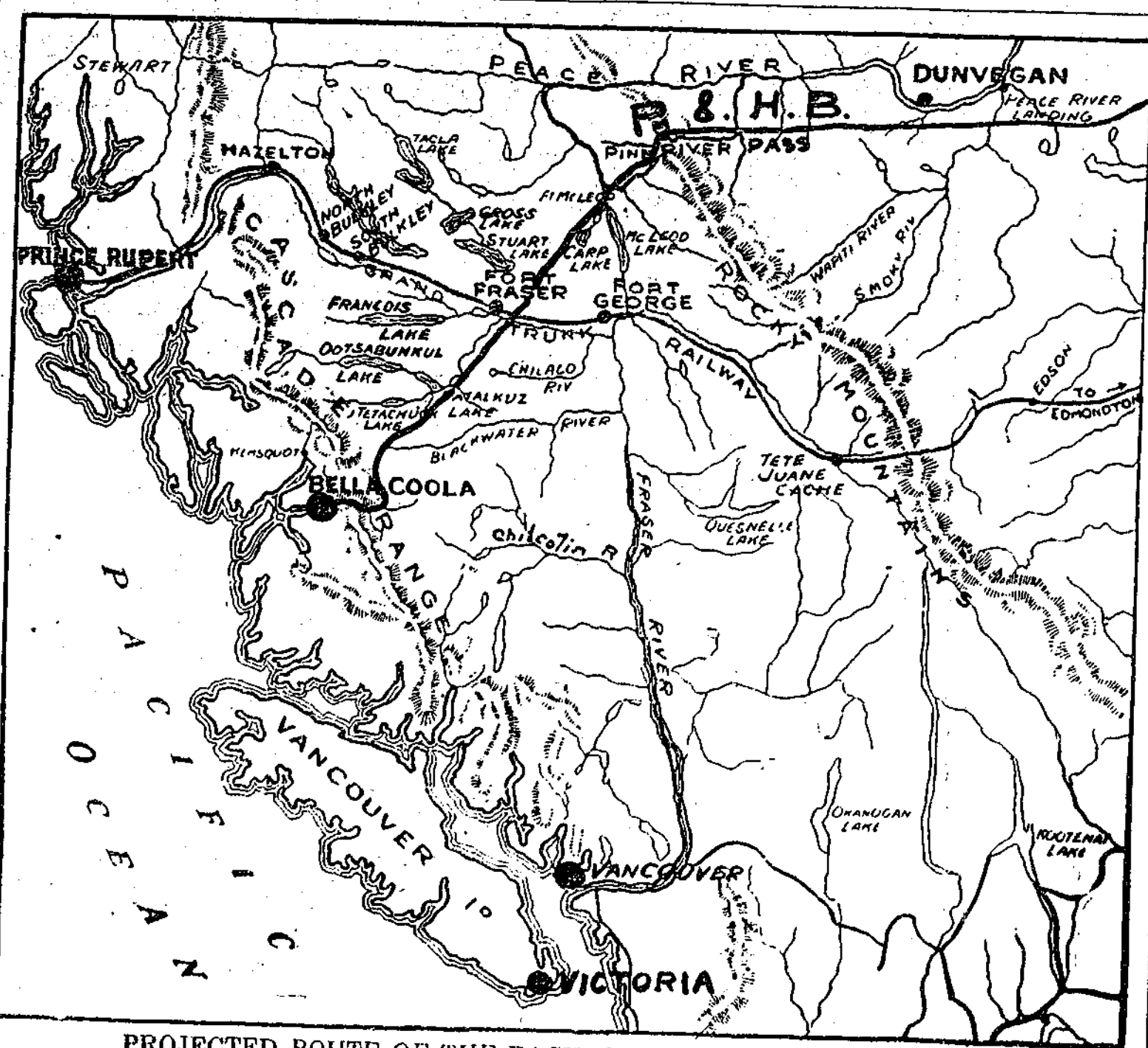
### "The Under Dog."

A pro-German paper "The Reform" from United States, explains its pro-German proclivities to be caused by its sympathy for the "under dog." It does not give any reason why it considers Germany the under dog, but at the same time we are glad that even Germany's friends begin to realize that she is fighting a losing game.

We are not very well posted in history; but we believe that Germany's position among the nations of the world up till the time of the war was not a humble one. Quite the contrary. She was rather the strong bully of Europe and her strength was not hidden to the eyes of her neighbors. We do not know the many diplomatic questions that have troubled the European statesmen in the last decades, but there are indications from which the inference can be drawn at least that Germany during these years carried out the role of a bully among nations, and that her neighbors had to yield to her on many points because they did not care to run counter to her motto of "blood and iron" or come in contact with her "mailed fist."

It will be remembered that The Hague conferences, which came

into existence nearly eighty years ago, were called for the purpose of promoting peace. In spite of sneering remarks to the contrary it is still the truth, however, that nearly all the rulers of the world were sincere in the expression of the desire for peace. As a means towards the end it was proposed to reduce armaments; all the conferring powers agreed to this except Germany. She scoffed at the idea, and showed her contempt for the proposal by increased preparations for war. Another attempt towards the maintenance of peace was the submission of all differences to arbitration, which all gave their assent except Germany. She not only refused to submit to this herself, but in her arrogant pride and security of her strength dictated to the others that she would not permit them to settle their own differences by that method either. She was able to block the efforts of the others in this direction by insisting on the enforcement of a rule adopted early in the sittings of the conference, that any decision made, in order to be binding, must be passed unanimously. And thus The Hague conferences accomplished very little for the peace of the world, and all because of the attitude of Germany. She was not the



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under dog in those days.

In 1908, she defied the powers of Europe and broke the treaty made at the close of the Russo-Turkish war by allowing Austria, her ally, to annex Herzegovina and Bosnia. In 1912, she put in her claim in the settling of the Balkan situation by making and enforcing the unreasonable demand that half-savage Albania should be independent, and by this action provoked another war.

In 1914, she again arrogantly and in true bully fashion backed Austria in the most humiliating demands ever made upon an independent nation by another. Serbia, the country assailed, at the advice of Russia who did not want war, made the most abject and humble reply imaginable, and because upon one point she proposed arbitration it was rejected and war declared immediately. The frantic efforts of Russia, Britain, France and Italy to prevent the world war availed nothing. Germany saw her opportunity to crush Serbia, violate Belgium, cripple Russia and reduce France to a humble position and therefore she declared war all around. Who was the under dog at that time? It surely was not Germany. Britain remembered her obligations and in spite of her unpreparedness she went to the aid of the under dog in the fight. And if after nearly two years of struggle the situation is becoming reversed, all right thinking people will rejoice.

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### The Coast of British Columbia.

By Archie D. Darlington.

#### PART III.—THE SETTLEMENTS.

So much for the inlets. But even in so brief a survey we must not pass over large river-valleys like the Skeena, the Naas and the Bella Coola, with many thousands of fertile acres, and rapidly growing settlements of increasing productiveness. The

town of Bella Coola, at the head of the long and narrow Burke Channel, is a very ambitious place backed up by the promising resources of its agricultural environments. It has government buildings, a telegraph linking up with Hazelton, a cannery, a local telephone system and a smart little newspaper. The valley is very thickly populated and, apart from agricultural possibilities is an excellent hunting ground; the river, too, provides exceptional sport for the angler. Some day, when the coast comes into its own, Bella Coola, like her northern neighbor Prince Rupert, will be numbered amongst the great cities of the West and be prominent as the western terminal of a great railway. Within easy distance of the town are Hagensborg and Kimsquit. Of Prince Rupert I need scarcely speak: though still in the heyday of her youth, the tale of her destiny has gone forth.

West from Prince Rupert, on the Pacific side of Hecate Strait is Graham Island, northernmost of the Queen Charlotte group. It contains a large area of farming land and consequently is attracting many settlers. Its town and port is Masset, at the mouth of a peculiar inlet bearing the same name. There are also communities at Queen Charlotte and Skidegate. Graham's near neighbor is Moresby Island.

The large Calvert Island at the entrance to Rivers Inlet and Fitz-Hugh Sound is undergoing rapid development, and its interior soil is excellent. The steamer landing and chief community is at Safety Cove on the east side.

But south and east from Prince Rupert and between there and Vancouver Harbor, the number of islands, as I have said, is legion; a description of the newer settlements and embryo towns would fill a bulky volume: they will some day, nevertheless, tell their own story. Yet there remain some few older, and at the present period more worthy of mention and Malcolm Island is one of them. Its people are prosperous and work largely on the co-operative system. Poultry farming has proved very successful. Sointula, where are the post office, wharf, hotel, school and stores is quite a considerable place. Then Cartes, Denman and Hornby Islands, though smaller are none the less progressive and must not in consequence be overlooked. The first is a Mecca for poultry raising and ships large quantities of eggs. The farmers of Valdez Island, again, rear a hardy breed of sheep, and for a place so small the output of produce is phenomenal. Texada Island, at the north-western end of the Strait of Georgia, is highly mineralized, and rich especially in copper ore: its town and port is Van Anda. nearer to Vancouver are Bowen Island and Sechart, both very charming summer resorts and patronized greatly by residents of the Terminal City.

Such then are some of the busy, thriving little outposts scattered over five hundred miles of littoral. They do not appear on the map and are often unknown to each other; but go to form the make up of this coast of British Columbia, which, like Western Africa, though not for the self-same reason possesses a

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W. W. CORY.

Deputy Minister of the Interior.

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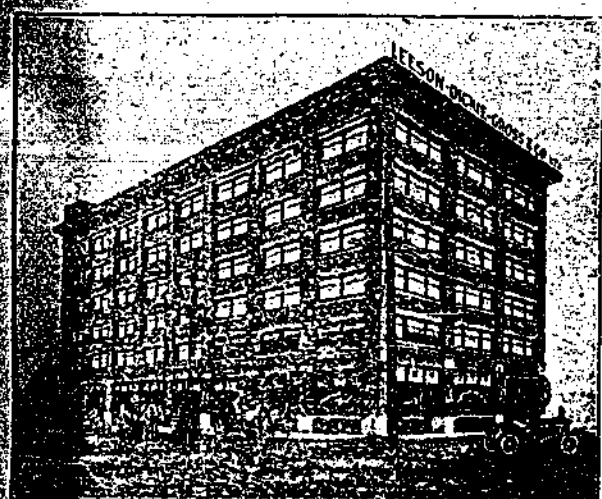
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### Hints to Potato Growers.

1. A loose, rich, gravelly or sandy loam soil is desirable for potatoes.
2. Manure should be applied to the crop that precedes rather than to the potato crop.
3. A clover, alfalfa, cow-pea or soy-bean sod, plowed under in

the fall, will make a good potato seed-bed. Measure depth of furrow to see that it is eight inches or more deep.

4. Like produces like. Hill-selected seed potatoes should be more productive than those from unselected plants.

5. If potatoes are sprouted in the light before planting it will hasten growth. Sprouts should be one-fourth inch long.

6. Treat all seed-potatoes for scab before planting. Here is the most approved method of treating them to prevent a scabby crop; soak the whole seed for two hours in a mixture of one-half pint of formalin (often called formaldehyde) and fifteen gallons of cold water; dry the seed, cut, and plant in ground that has not recently grown potatoes.

7. Do not plant late potatoes too early. Late potatoes planted early are checked during the dry

summer and fail to mature a full crop.

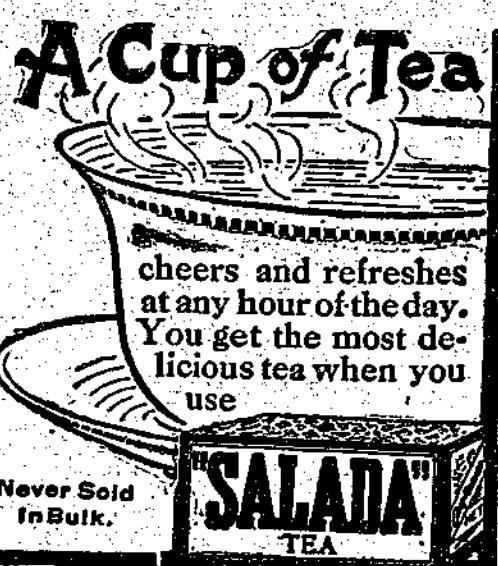
8. Never follow potatoes with potatoes. Rotate crops.

9. A well-prepared seed-bed is firm and in good tilth. Preparation before planting is half the battle.

10. A crop of 200 bushels of potatoes requires 650 tons of water—equivalent to six inches of rainfall. Destroy the weeds.

11. Harrow the soil before the plants appear above ground. This is important, as such early harrowing kills millions of sprouting weeds and prevents much future work. The best harrow to use for this purpose is a spike-tooth implement, for with it there is practically no danger of harming the potato sprouts.

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