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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. (3rd) 8
Rainfall, 6.16 inches. Snow, 14 inches.
Rainfall for the year (1915) 34.33 inches.

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ITEMS OF WAR NEWS

London, April 4.—Six Zeppelins took part in the raid on Sunday night, three raided southeast counties of Scotland, one northeast coast of England, remainder the eastern counties. The casualties were seven men and three children killed, five men, two women and four children injured.

Paris, April 4.—New phase in the battle of Verdun begun. The great violence of the latest attacks foreshadows another attempt of the Germans to rush the fortress with vast forces, new batteries of large calibre moved closer to French front. Infantry reorganized. French troops succeeded in pressing back the enemy between Vaux and Douamount. West of the Meuse bombardment of the villages Haucourt and Esues continued. East of the Meuse the fighting which went on last night was favorable to us. We gained ground in the Caillette woods. It has been confirmed that the attacks by the enemy yesterday extended over a front of three kilometres, they came forward in successive waves followed by small columns, activity of our artillery fire and our infantry caused enormous losses to the enemy. In Lorraine, fire from our artillery caused flames to break out of Les Remabois. West of Leintry, region of Ancerville, reconnaissance by the enemy, which attempted to reach our positions, was repulsed by our fire.

London, April 5.—Holland has closed her German frontier and massed all available forces. War preparations due to the fear that Germany might send troops across the border. Evidence points that Germany is running short of soldiers as 1916 class is already in trenches or being held in reserve in the immediate rear.

Paris, April 5.—Germans lost ground around Verdun and sustained heavy casualties yesterday. Three regiments making attack from Chaffour woods were driven back by heavy rifle and shrapnel fire, leaving half their number dead before retreating.

London, April 5.—A Copenhagen despatch says that the Norwegian government has requested Germany to investigate whether submarines responsible for loss of large number of Norwegian ships destroyed last few days. If it is proved that German submarines are responsible then Norway will demand full compensation.

Another Zeppelin raid last night, complete failure, no casualties. Explosion in a powder factory in Kent caused two hundred casualties. The Aeronautical Society asks permission to salvage Zeppelin L-15, lying in shallow water off mouth of Thames. The society believes it can be saved, rebuilt and launched against the enemy in three months.

Rome, April 5.—Severe fighting occurred on the heights. Aerial raids launched both sides. Allied fleet very active in Mediterranean.

London, April 5.—Admiral Bridge gives total losses to shipping since beginning of war to March 23. British steamers, 379; French, 41; Russian, 27; Italian, 21; Belgian, 10; Japan, 3. Sailing vessels: British, 31; French, 12; Russian, 8; Italian, 6.

Paris, April 6.—We gained ground north of Caillette Wood, northeast of Verdun, in the course of several engagements during the night. In yesterday's fighting Germans lost considerable ground and again sustained heavy casualties. In Argonne there has been a combat between hand grenade throwers. In sector between Bolante, we caused explosion of two mines, damaging enemy's trenches. East of Meuse we took part in several engagements during which we made good progress. In Woevre there has been intense bombardment. The enemy threw into Meuse 22 mines, these exploded but did us no damage. In Lorraine, Germans after violent bombardment delivered small infantry attacks, enemy everywhere thrown back by our machine guns and artillery. In Vosges, enemy's reconnaissance force was easily dispersed. In region of Verdun fifteen aerial duels took place and double-motored German machine was brought down, occupants killed in fall; another aeroplane fell vertically to ground, pilot killed, observer made prisoner.

London, April 6.—The crew of the Norwegian steamship Arena, 1019 tons, taken to Yemudin, ship was torpedoed by German submarine.

Spanish steamer Vigo sunk off Bay of Biscay by German submarine last night, most of crew perished.

Rome, April 6.—King Victor Emmanuel accepted the resignation of war minister, General Zuppeli, and appointed Gen. Morrone to succeed him, it is stated General Zuppeli desires to take part in active operations.

The Hague, April 6.—Dutch schooner Elsinelfa torpedoed yesterday in North Sea. Government enquiry to be held when crew reaches Rotterdam.

Berne, April 6.—Consideration is being given by Swiss Government to marking frontier signs visible at long distance by daylight and illuminated at night to avoid mistakes as German aviators recently made bombarding a Swiss village.

Madrid, April 7.—Meeting of the Spanish cabinet is called for tonight to consider the question of torpedoed Spanish vessel.

London, April 7.—Air raid last night on northeastern counties was apparently carried out by three Zeppelins, first made attack about 9:10 p. m., but driven off by anti-aircraft guns. Second raider appeared in another locality at 10:15 p. m., but no bombs were dropped. The third raider attacked during night and dropped bombs. Known casualties one child killed, 8 people injured.

Paris, April 7.—French are already using their 16-in. guns which are able to fire a more devastating shell than the German 17 inch gun. A German submarine was sunk today by a flotilla of French and British warships. The crew were captured.

French Take Bois Carre

Paris, April 7.—The war office announces the capture by French troops of a large portion of the position in North Avoncourt known as Bois Carre.

This ground we captured in the course of fighting which went on all yesterday. Last night in the Verdun region two attacks made by Germans against our position north of Caillette Wood were without result.

British Capture Felahee

London, April 7.—The British succeeded in capturing Felahee, an important town in Mesoptamia. All the positions taken have been consolidated and Turkish counter attacks were repulsed with considerable loss to the enemy.

Germany's Answer Awaited With Intense Interest by U. S.

Marine Situation Considered Grave

Washington, April 7.—Officials today are awaiting with intense interest the response from Berlin to the inquiries made by Ambassador Gerard to the foreign office in regard to the sinking of merchant ships without warning. The entire marine situation, hinging upon Germany's attitude in the torpedoing of the steamer Sussex and other serious marine disasters, is being viewed with apprehension.

Secretary Lansing today flatly denied any grounds whatever to the reports of the withdrawal of American troops from the Mexican expedition.

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Sitting—E. Le C. Grant, 5th C. G. A.; O. Peterson, 103rd Batt.; H. Burt, C. G. A.; G. Gibson, C. A. M. C.

Private A. R. LEESE (killed)
" H. B. GREEN (killed)
Sergt. P. J. KENYON
Private C. F. GRANT
Lieut. A. CRICHTON (killed)
" V. CROFTON
" R. LOWE
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" V. CLAYTON

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Captain A. WYNNE (killed) — Private D. E. CAMPBELL

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Captain D. MOORE — Private J. O'CONNOR

Jottings of Bella Coola and District

S. S. Chelohsin arrived 11:30 Sunday forenoon. It brought an unusual amount of freight part of which was delivered at the cannery. B. W. Fleming, Geo. Bennett, John B. Sylvester, Swen Swenson and A. Natzill were the departing passengers.

J. W. MacFarlane returned from a business trip to the cities to the south.

John B. Sylvester, Swen Swenson and Andy Natzill left to take up their summer's work at the Beaver Cannery, Rivers Inlet. Mr. Sylvester is the manager of the cannery of many years standing, while Mr. Swenson and Mr. Natzill will go there to do what Mr. Sylvester tells them, and no doubt the relations between these gentlemen will continue agreeable throughout the season as their qualifications for their respective positions are acknowledged to be of the best.

A cablegram reports the safe arrival in England of Garnett Gibson, Charles Lord and Harry Grainger, members of the Ambulance Corps bound for the war.

J. Brynildsen, a brother of our popular merchant B. Brynildsen, after sojurning in the valley for the winter left last week for the hot springs down the inlet. His health has been rather precarious for some time and it is hoped that a treatment at the springs will prove beneficial.

As an outcome of petitions sent to the Dominion Department of Marine and Fisheries, five additional independent fishing licenses have been granted for this district.

This week has seen substantial improvements carried out at the Johnson saw mill. The amount of power has been doubled by the installation of an additional boiler and now we can boast of a saw mill with two smoke stacks. It is confidently expected that lumber will hereafter be turned out in an incessant flow.

Andy Wood and Thomas Bernard was up from Ocean Falls, Tuesday, and informed us that things are humming about the big plant.

A New Town.

About two hundred men are now at work in connection with the big mills at Ocean Falls. Four pile drivers, operating double shifts, are putting down foundations for the new pulp mill now under construction.

Another new tug boat has come up and been put in commission. Logging outfits are being put into the woods every day. It is expected that something like twenty million feet of logs will be at the mills by October 1st.

Ocean Falls came into prominence some six years ago. A large saw mill, pulp mill, and a three hundred room hotel was built along with other buildings of all kinds to suit the needs of the undertaking. Financial difficulties overtook the concern and it went into the hands of a receiver.

After lying idle for three years reorganixation has taken place with the result that one of the largest pulp mills on the Pacific Coast will be in operation within the year.

Ivan Estensen and William Gorden came in last week from Talleo on a launch. They have spent the winter at the cattle ranch situated at the head of South Bentink Arm. Mr. Estenson has severed his connection with the ranch and intends shortly to make a trip to Minnesota. But the coast, despite his experience of its worst winter on record, has proved itself superior in a number of respects to decide Mr. Estenson to take up his residence here.

William Gorden will remain in charge of the operations usually performed in the kitchen at the ranch and also run the motor boat.

All the town and his wife turned out to the meeting held in the Mackenzie School last Saturday evening for the purpose of electing a committee to work for the Red Cross and Patriotic Societies of Canada. That 39 young men have gone forth from this valley to the war and that comparatively large amounts of money have been raised for various war purposes here, bear testimony to the fact that our people take an active and patriotic interest in the issues raised by the gigantic conflict. And the attendance at this meeting is another proof in that direction.

Dr. W. J. Quinlan was elected to fill the position of chairman of the meeting and Mr. I Fougner was elected secretary. Dr. Quinlan gave evidence of his wide experience as a presiding officer in the able manner in which he guided the proceedings. It was decided that the committee to be elected should consist of five members and that it should collect funds for both the Red Cross and Patriotic Societies. If the committee should find it necessary to add to its number it was by motion authorized to do so.

There did not appear to be any strife as to who should have the honor to serve their country upon this committee. According to the secretary's report the following officers were elected by acclamation:

President, Mrs. E. C. Clayton; 1st vice-president, Dr. W. J. Quinlan; 2nd vice-president, F. Broughton; secretary, Dr. Mrs. E. M. Sutherland; treasurer, Mrs. I. Fougner.

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"Salus populi suprema est lex."

SATURDAY, APRIL 8, 1916.

The Outlook for British Columbia.

It was indeed a sad day for this province when the late Hon. Robt. G. Tatlow, minister of finance, resigned because he did not approve of the government guaranteeing the bonds of a railway paralleling another. During the time that he handled the finances there was always a surplus at the end of the fiscal year. But ever since he took his departure, a different state of affairs has prevailed, the deficits have been equally constant ever since, and now have reached a sum of over $23,000,000. While the population according to the government's own report has decreased one hundred thousand in the last three years, the debt keeps piling up steadily until now it amounts to more than $70 for every man, woman and child in the province, including white, red, yellow, and every other color.

The estimates for the incoming year were brought down last week and showed that the government thought it necessary to increase the expenditures for the year instead of reducing them; it showed that the revenue is falling off and that, as a consequence, this province would run in debt another $5,300,000 this year. This means that every day, counting the Sundays, we will spend nearly $15,000 more than our income. On the top of this enormous deficit, which is larger than the entire expenditures of any of the other provinces except Ontario and Quebec, there are railroad guarantees which must be paid this year, and of course the money to meet these, amounting to more than $600,000, must also be borrowed. It is also planned to borrow $1,000,000 to loan to the farmers. Taken altogether to cover the deficits of this year and the one just ended will make it necessary for the government to borrow another $15,000,000.

This state of affairs will eventually drive capital away from the province and ruin our industries, because the interest on the great debt, together with the running expenses, will make the expenditures of the province so large that the taxes to meet them will be too burdensome for manufacturers to bear and at the same time be able to compete with those, in this respect, more favorably situated in other provinces.

It is true the government has cut down the expenditures on several items, but it has found it necessary to increase them on others, and one of those thus increased is salaries. The government officials do not propose to allow the hard times to affect them. Their income must not decrease even though so many must leave the province because they cannot make a living here.

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The vice-president of the Canadian Pacific Railway has paid a visit to the coast. He says there is such a scarcity of laborers in the Dominion that it will be necessary to invite labor from the United States, and he told how the C. P. R. is trying to meet the situation by reducing its rates. There is no such scarcity, however, in our ably governed province. When the above statement was made by the C. P. R. official, the first question asked him in Vancouver was if these reduced rates would apply to those of British Columbia who were in search of labor, and he said yes. And this is the richest province in Canada and the Empire!!

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Political Mudslingers.

The Conservatives when brought to bay, in being unable to reply to the serious charges made against them, complain of their opponents having recourse to mudslinging. When this aspect of the polictical situation first impressed itself upon our mind was at the time when the Roblin government in Manitoba, went down into the darkness of disgrace. The Conservatives in that province out of revenge and without cause, made some accusations against leading men in the Liberal party in order to annoy and if possible to make some of the mud stick. A commission to investigate the charges was set to work; but after a thorough search reported that there was no foundation for the accusations made. Some time before the Manitoba trouble became acute, preparations were made by a leading Conservative in Dominion politics to discredit the Liberal government and legislature of Saskatchewan with the object of bringing about their defeat.

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There was nothing in sight to start any scandal about so it became necessary in order to accomplish their nefarious design to manufacture trouble.

If there is any corruption to be brought about in politics it will usually be found that the liquor traffic can be depended to know how and also to be willing to accomplish it. So this Conservative in the interest of his party told the liquor dealers there was a mint of money under his control for the purpose of corrupting the legislature and government of that province. At this time there was a prohibition measure before the legislature, and this was seized upon by the liquor interests as the object of their assault.

True to their nature they went to work with their well filled purses to bribe the government and members. That they failed in the attempt is proven by the fact that the prohibition measure was passed and is now the law of the province. But the aftermath is still with us. A commission composed of judges of the province is investigating the charges of corruption made by the opponents of the Liberal government. The government has been exonerated, but some of the members of the legislature are still under fire. It is safe to say, however, that even if some members of the party should have proven too weak to resist temptation, the meagre results and the fact that the government, as soon as its attention was called to the scandal, acted so very promptly will take the wind out of the sails of the Conservatives and their efforts to discredit the Liberal party will be a failure.

A similar attempt to wreck the Liberal party in Alberta is being made and will, no doubt, have the same result.

A futile effort has been made in our legislature to unseat the two Liberal members, but has been abandoned; the leaders realizing that such an attempt would recoil upon their own heads with a vengeance.

Let there be no more mudslinging, but honest efforts by patriotic members of all political parties to restore the prosperity of the province and use our means for the successful prosecution of the war.

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One of the results accomplished in the long term of office enjoyed by our government is a method they have invented and which they ought to get copyrighted in order to collect a royalty from others who profit by their example, of being able to enrich themselves and their faithful servants from the public treasury without running counter to the law against graft.

The new method is to call the money appropriated for their private use, commissions and gratuities for extra services, and salaries. For one member of the legislature to draw over $50 per day and mileage, causes no blush on the cheeks of the patriots at the head of our government. He earns it, he is entitled to it, is what they maintain. This war will not only put an end to militarism, but also to public plunder according to law.

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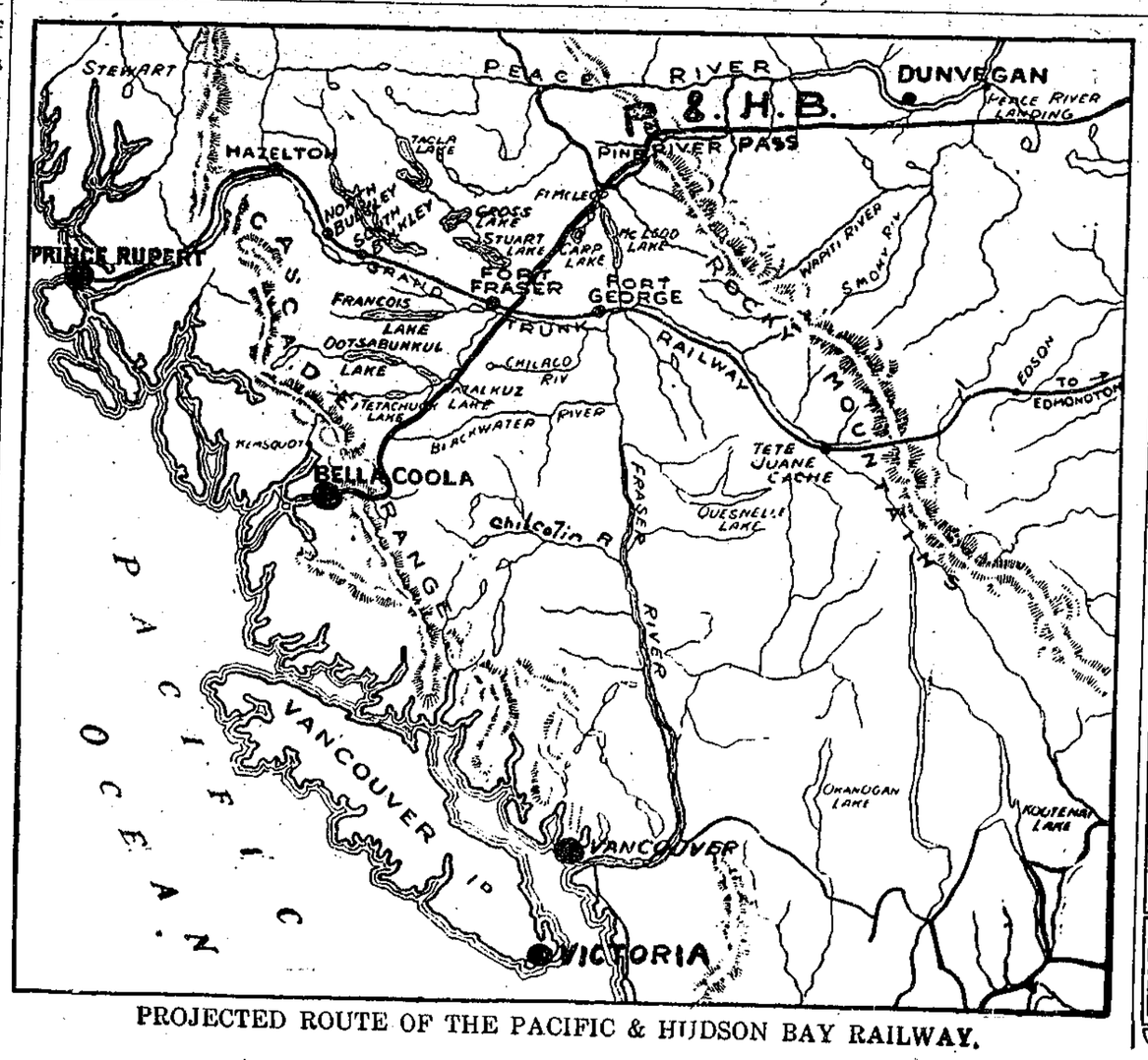
Compensation.

The liquor interests in their fight against the advance of 20th century civilization have been forced into the last ditch and are now striving, not to prolong their existence, but to receive some compensation for the trouble and expense they have been put to in rigging up their raids upon the manhood, the homes, the morality and the prosperity of the land. They claim they have been to great expense in fitting up enticing, gilded traps for the unwary youth and the seasoned voluptuary, and these traps will be of very little use now that the bait, which has been so skilfully used in adding to the allurements of their places of sin, is being removed by law.

The friends and sympathizers of the said interests are taking up the cudgels in their respect-friends behalf and are talking loudly and indignantly about principles of fairness and justice. How these persecuted friends of theirs, many of whom are orphans and widows, have been induced to put their savings into this nefarious business with the expectation that the sovereign people would never wake up to see the utter folly of feeding this monster with thousands of boys and girls and throw into its capacious maw hundreds of millions of dollars every year.

The fight against the liquor traffic has been going on for decades, and it seems that any man with ordinary intelligence and business acumen would know that this business was surrounded with uncertainty as well as most other enterprises, that there were risks to be reckoned with, and the ultim victory of the prohibition p ciple was one of them. O business interests when meet with losses and somet bankruptcy, do not come to government and clamor for c pensation. Even in a case the failure of the Dominion T Company where the governm seems to be culpably implicat the very many who lost their do not howl for compensat like the liquor interests do.

It is on the other hand our belief that those who have vested their capital and dem their income from the liq traffic, will, when forced ou business by the enacment prohibitory law, find that th real estate will be enhanced



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In the light of the methods adopted in the many countries, states and provinces in the enactment of prohibitory laws, any legislation to compensate the liquor traffic will be regarded as freak legislation and add nothing to the prestige of our province.

The Coast of British Columbia.

By Archie D. Darlington.

PART I.—THE SCENERY.

The happy traveller who has occasion to make the short voyage between Vancouver and Victoria on a day of sunshine, is treated to an Island panorama which is unique in the Pacific. Verdant islets, clustered and consecutive meet the eye as the steamer threads her way through the maze of them; spots of pleasing emerald on a placid blue ocean. On the larger one, regular patches of a lighter shade relieve the ancient forest green where splendid lawns enhance the prospect of stately houses; or brown, where cultivated plots surround pretty dwellings of varied style and elegance. Taste, comfort and utility are expressed in greater or lesser degrees, according, one would judge, to the wealth or vocation of the owner. It is an epicurean feast of color, pleasing to the artistic palate and does not fail to impress. Little tinted pictures passing in review, attractive vignettes appealing to all fancies; memory caresses them even after the fascinating first peep at beautiful Victoria.

Many emigrants and travellers are familiar with the diversions of the crossing; it is an old route to an old city for Victoria the Peerless is old as western cities go. To the British emigrant bound for Vancouver Island it comes as a refreshing conclusion to a long and wearisome journey.

Nevertheless not so many are acquainted with the similar extraordinary littoral extending north and west from the Burrard Inlet past the north western extremity of Vancouver Island itself. The way to Bella Coola and Prince Rupert—it has not been an orthodox route for the tourist, or for that matter hitherto, the colonist, and I find the excuse for touching briefly upon its characteristics for the reason of its being so vital a factor in engendering the prosperity of Canad's most western province.

The coast of British Columbia is broken; there are peculiar and and deep indentations in its outline. Also, from the Forty-ninth Parallel to the Alaskan boundary, there is an almost continuous, wavering fringe of islands. Indeed, a glance on a small scale map between Vancouver Island and the mainland, sets the uninitiated wondering if there is water enough to float a rowboat in. Some of these islands are just uncompromising rocks covered with marine life, whilst others, though infinitesimally small, have a trimming, as it were (after the manner of feathers in a lady's hat) of evergreen, stunted growth of cedar, spruce and pine; others, again, are of considerable extent and the home and hope of a sprinkling of hardy settlers. In and out of this island fringe and between it and the mainland shore is a maze of salt water channels wherein the speed of the tidal currents is a thing to marvel at; where rips and eddies and overfalls make sport of the drifting flotsam. Many of the latter channels or "narrows" as they are sometimes known, fairly bristle with reefs; yet many are navigable, and some are excellent waterways—literal ocean lanes.

But breaking into the bold coast itself is a succession of sounds and inlets—inland seas having their own complement of islands large and small; so that, altogether, it is difficult, cursorily, to tell if one is on an island, an isthmus or a peninsula. These inlets were formed in the long ago glaciers; tremendous rivers of snow, allies of the stormy Pacific, cutting deep channels through the rock to aid the invading forces of the ocean; they are surviving and imperishable evidences of an ancient epoch. And such waters, as I have explained, are common to the coast. Their depths are frequently enormous, for the high, inclosing mountains sometimes rise sheer from the tide lines. In winter they are wrapt in silence and snow—never, never places where the deer, the wolf, the panther and ferocious grizzly fearlessly range the timbered slopes and gaze undisturbed upon the sea. Howbeit, the advent of summer witnesses a change and the activity of a great industry; the surface then is dotted with the small craft of the fishermen, and alive with myriads of leaping fish.

(To be concluded in our next issue.)

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SEALED TENDERS, addressed to the Postmaster General, will be received at Ottawa until Noon, on Friday, the 12th May next, for the conveyance of His Majesty's mails, on a proposed Contract for four years, once per week each way, over the BELLA COOLA Rural Mail Route No. 1, from the 1st July next.

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Post Office Inspector's Office,
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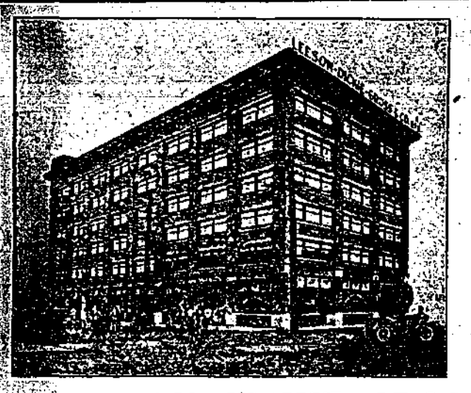

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It was moved and carried that the W. C. T. U. of this place be allowed a representative on the committee in recognition of the good services done by this body in the past. Another motion to the effect that all further arrangements necessary to be made be left to the committee was passed. The meeting then adjourned.

At a meeting of the Farmers' Institute held at Hagensborg last Saturday, Mr. Albert Hammer, the secretary, announced that the government will send to this settlement, free of charge, a pen of twenty pure-bred Barred Rock chickens for the improvement of the poultry. Mr. Hammer will have the keeping of them and will sell eggs for hatching purposes to all who appreciate the pleasure and profit of having the simon pure article in the poultry line.

Mr. Hammer, on his recent trip as delegate to the Central Farmers' Institute at Victoria, was informed that the government will supply ensilage cutters at cost price. In this connection we feel it a pleasure to add that in the present deputy-minister of agriculture as is conceded by both supporters and opponents, the government has secured an energetic, wide-awake official, whose efforts on behalf of the farmers should receive hearty support.

It is therefore hoped that the farmers will get together and secure one, or more, of these cutters. Then it would devolve upon the farmers of this valley to put in as many acres of ensilage corn as possible, build silos and thus increase the yield of fodder per acre in a substantial manner.

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Summary.

Select strong runners in summer from the best fruiting plants and set for early fall planting. Set out a new plantation every year.

Prepare well the land before planting time.

Choose the hill system in arranging your plans for best work in strawberries. Setting plants 2 1-2 feet apart from row to row and 15 inches apart in the row. 14,000 plants per acre are required.

Provide a good winter mulch, leaving a portion to remain until late in spring to prevent frost injury.

Cultivate often during the growing season to conserve moisture and destroy weeds.

Provide a summer mulch to prevent berries from becoming dirty, to conserve moisture and keep down weeds.

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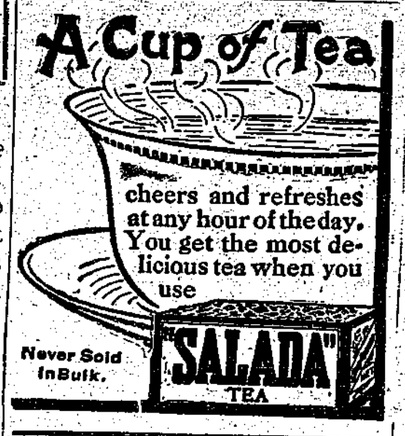

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