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WEATHER REPORT FOR NOVEMBER.
Compiled by Mr. C. H. Urseth, of the Bella Coola Observatory.
Temperature: Maximum, 39. Minimum, 25.
Highest Max. (3rd) 48. Lowest Min. (12th) 17
Rainfall, 3.44 inches. Snow, 4 inches.

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Russians Capture Bulgarian Port

London, Dec. 22.—Special despatch early this morning to the Daily Chronicle reports the capture of Varna, the chief port of Bulgaria in the Black Sea, by the Russians. It says the bombardment by the Russians silenced the Bulgarian guns, the garrison suffering heavily. The Russians then, according to the report, landed infantry and artillery without loss and in sufficient force to hold the town against Bulgarian attacks.

French Successful on Western Front

Paris, Dec. 22.—Official communication. In the Vosges, at Hartmann Weilerkopf, a strong attack by our troops, delivered after an artillery preparation, permitted us to occupy an important part of the enemy's works and to make prisoners.

Krupp's Constantinople Works Destroyed

Copenhagen, Dec. 22.—The National Tidende prints a statement of a Dane from Constantinople that the Krupp works outside of that city has been destroyed by bombs dropped by British airmen.

Aviators Cause Panic

Petrograd, Dec. 22.—Official communication. "Our aviators successfully bombarded the rear approaches of the enemy's positions in the Godutzpchki-Komag region east of Svientziany, causing a panic among the convoys. On the Galician front at Novo Alexiniech, Buczacz and southeast of Zaliechtchiki the enemy attempted to pass to the offensive with small detachments, but all his attempts were frustrated by our fire.

Russians Occupy Kum After Heavy Fighting

London, Dec. 22.—It is announced from Teheran, according to a despatch received here from Petrograd semi-official news agency, that the Russians have occupied the town of Kum, 80 miles southwest of Teheran, after a great battle in which the opposing forces where completely defeated.

Kaiser Is In Ill Health

London, Dec. 22.—The Kaiser is in ill health and is no longer directing the military operations, according to Berlin advices to the Exchange Telegram Co. The despatch states that the Emperor recently has become morose and silent, and his changed demeanor has given his physicians cause for grave anxiety.

McBride and Young Leave the Cabinet

Bowser at the Helm

Vancouver, Dec. 15—The resignation of Premier McBride and the reconstruction of the cabinet under the Hon. W. J. Bowser, was announced at three o'clock this afternoon.

Sir Richard McBride, who celebrates his forty-fifth birthday today, retires to London, England, as agent-general for British Columbia.

Dr. H. E. Young, minister of education, retires from the cabinet to become chairman of the British Columbia commission for the welfare of returned soldiers.

The new cabinet will consist of W. J. Bowser, premier and attorney-general; Thomas Taylor, minister of education and provincial secretary; W. R. Ross, minister of forests and lands; Lorne Campbell, Rossland, minister of mines; C. E. Tisdall, Vancouver, minister of public works; A. C. Flumerfelt, Victoria, minister of agriculture and finance; William Manson, Skeena, president of the council.

By-elections will be necessary in Victoria, Vancouver, Rossland, and New Westminster. No By-election will be required in Skeena as there is no salary attached to William Manson's post.

Liberal Will Contest All By-Elections

Vancouver, Dec. 17.—At a conference here last night, the Liberal leaders decided to call a convention to select candidates to contest all by-elections.

It is expected that the by-elections will be held during the last week of January. The house will probably meet on February 20th, when a six weeks' session will be held, after which a general election will be announced to take place in the first week of May.

It is expected that Bowser will offer to shorten the hours during which liquor can be sold in the province; will propose to guarantee bonds to provide a fleet of lumber carriers, and will bring down a Workmen's Compensation Act.

It is rumored in well informed circles that the general election is fixed for April 1.

NOTICE

THE BELLA COOLA BRIDGE (the old bridge between 4 and 5 mile posts on main road) has been declared to be dangerous for traffic, and will therefore be closed until further notice.

By order,
R. O. Jennings,
Road Superintendent.

Bella Coola, B. C.,
December 21, 1915.

Jottings of Bella Coola and District

S. S. Camosun, instead of arriving on schedule time Friday afternoon, came lagging into port Monday about 3 p. m. Mr. Martin Nygaard and family came in from Kimsquit to spend Xmas holidays among relatives and friends here.

The outgoing passengers were: Miss Blanche Balkwill, Miss K. Hallowes, Miss Read and Alfred Oveson.

Miss Hallowes and Miss Balkwill, the popular teachers of Hagensborg and Mackenzie schools, will return after enjoying the holiday vacation with friends in the south.

Alfred Oveson has heard his country's call to arms and is away to enlist for the war. More will follow after the holidays.

A telegram has been received by Rev. Gibson to the effect that a doctor will be on board the next southbound steamer and that anyone desiring to enlist can then obtain medical examination by meeting the steamer at the wharf on its arrival.

H. G. Anderson, the secretary of the hospital board, is to be congratulated on his success in obtaining from the government a cheque for $200 in aid of the hospital.

There will be a number of entertainments and meetings in the valley between now and the New Year. We shall try to enumerate them all although it is very likely we may miss some:

A Christmas tree and program will be given at the Lower Bella Coola school on Wednesday 29th.

On Monday evening a similar entertainment will be held at the Hagensborg Church.

The Sunday School of the town will have its Christmas tree and program at the Mackenzie school on Tuesday evening.

Tomorrow the regular Sunday service at the Mackenzie school will be conducted by Rev. W. H. Gibson. A Christmas sermon will be preached and good singing will be a feature of the meeting.

The Young People's Missionary Society of the Lutheran Church will see the old year out and the new year in at the church on New Year's Eve.

Rev. H. Sageng will conduct the forenoon service at the Lower Bella Coola school tomorrow.

A special service will be held in the Mackenzie school at 11 a. m. on Christmas Day. Mr. W. Barlow will preside. A cordial invitation is extended to all.

Christmas guests from abroad have begun to arrive. Last Tuesday, Arthur Hallett and George Seely, from Namu, Ivan Estenson, Wm. Gorden, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Wood, Chas. Wood, Fred Covey and John Nelson of South Bentink, arrived.

We are glad to welcome them among us and that they may find the enjoyment they anticipate is our earnest wish.

Farmers' Institute.

The annual meeting of the local Farmer's Institute met at the Colony Hall on Monday last at 2:30 p. m.

The gavel was wielded by the president, T. P. Saugstad, and the pencil run by Albert Hammer the secretary-treasurer. The attendance was not as large as last year, numbering 44 as compared to 120 last year, but it is safe to say that the smaller attendance of this year represented and worked for the interest of the valley in a better manner and to greater advantage than the great meeting of last year.

The minutes of the last annual meeting were read and approved. It seems that on account of the friction engendered at the annual meeting of last year no meeting had been held since.

The president's report followed. It contained a forecast on what the farmers of the place should concentrate their efforts during the ensuing year. The clearing of the land in the most efficient and economical way was the work that should be prosecuted. Great interest was shown in the matter and a general discussion followed; different meth- were proposed; but no definite result was reached. It was decided to devote more time to the subject at the next meeting.

The secretary read his report, which was found satisfactory from a financial point of view; the treasury showing an amount on hand of $64.30.

The election of officers followed with the following results: T. P. Saugstad, president; J. Widsten, vice-president; A. Hammer, sec.-treasurer; S. Le C. Grant, O. J. Lokken, J. Jorgenson, O. J. Nygaard and H. Haakenson, directors.

A. Hammer was elected delegate to attend the annual session of the Central Farmers' Institute, which meets during the next session of the legislature at Victoria.

The meeting adjourned with the understanding that another meeting be held on the return of the delegate from the Central Farmers' Institute.

A Grand Concert.

The concert in aid of the hospital which was announced to be held at the Hotel Hall had, at a late moment, to be transferred to the Mackenzie schoolhouse on account of a lack of seats. As a consequence when the people from far and near gathered at the appointed hour on Saturday evening it was not long before standing room was at a premium and some of the young men had to content themselves by remaining in tne hall and peek in at the happy and contented faces on the inside. The fame of the concert had gone before it, and although Dame Nature put on a most frowning face, it did not keep the people from attending. And that they did not regret defying the storm to be present was made absolutely certain to anyone within a mile who heard the thunderous applauses given as the performers acquitted themselves of their several tasks.

It is not too much to say that the entertainment was the most elaborate and from a musical point of view the most pretentious and successful that has been held in Bella Coola. Neither is it too much to assume that the memory of it will remain longer than is usually the case of such occasions.

It is not within the scope of this article to call attention to the fine performance of each item on the program; it shall only be mentioned that the drawing for the dulcitone donated by Dr. Sutherland was one of the features and resulted in H. Grainger being declared the winner.

The concert was presided over by Rev. W. H. Gibson, and the program was as follows:

Selection . . Bella Coola Orchestra
Chorus . . . "Canada for Empire"
Addie, Mildred, Phyllis and Janet Gibson, Marjorie and Dorothy Clayton.
Mandolin solo "College Medley"
Mr. H. Sutherland.
Song . . . . . "The Old Soldier"
Mr. H. G. Anderson.
Song . . . . . "Norway"
Mrs. B. F. Jacobsen, Mrs. P. G. Noot and Miss E. Thorsen.
Violin solo . . "The Cats Parade"
Mr. T. P. Saugstad.
Recitation 'Little Orphan Annie'
Miss Bertha MacDonald.
Song . . . . .
Miss Marjorie Clayton.
Comic recitation . . . . .
Mr. R. Teebay.
Quartette . . . . .
Mr. and Mrs. G. Saugstad, Mrs. F. Broughton and the Misses Anna and Ruth Nordschow.
Interval and raffle for dulcitone.
Selection . . . . .
Chorus . . . "Indian Cradle Song"
Misses Clayton and Gibson.
Song . . . . . "Thora"
Mr. H. G. Anderson.
Song . . . . .
Mrs. Jacobsen and Mrs. Noot.
Piano solo . . . . .
Dr. Sutherland.
Song . . . . .
Miss Ruth Nordschow.
Mandolin solo "The Blue River"
Mr. H. Sutherland.
Comic sketch . . . . .
Messrs. J. W. MacDonald, L. Svisdal, F. Hendricks and R. Teebay.
Quartette . . . . .
Mr. and Mrs. G. Saugstad, Mrs. F. Broughton and the Misses Nordschow.
Selection . . . . .
Bella Coola Orchestra.
National Anthem.

At the close a unanimous vote of thanks to the performers was passed. The receipts were: collection $24, tickets sold for the drawing of the dulcitone $44, total $68. Too much credit cannot be given to Mr. and Mrs. W. Sutherland for their unwearied efforts in getting up the concert and for its unqualified success.

Church Notice

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"Salus populi suprema est lex."

SATURDAY, DEC. 25, 1915.

We beg to remind our readers that the Courier having completed its third year the subscriptions of all our early subscribers are now due for renewal.

The management wishes to thank our numerous readers for their support during the past and trusts to a continuance of the same in the future.

The subscription rate remains at $1 per year, payable strictly in advance.

Our Christmas Greeting.

IN conformity with time-honored custom we extend to our readers

A Merry Christmas.

But the salutation does not seem to be exactly appropriate under the conditions we find the world at present. If our hearts respond in sympathy with the great distress of the war it is impossible to be merry now. Then let us at this the anniversary of the coming of the Prince of Peace into the world lift our thoughts from our sorrow and dwell on His mission to bring "Peace on earth and good will towards men." It seems, however, His mission has not been a success. His friend John said of Him; "He came to His own, but His own received Him not," and that is seemingly true yet.

After a lapse of nineteen hundred years the world has not received Him. Even the so-called Christian nations have not submitted their conduct to His laws or His rule, and therefore there is war. It is to punish the insubordinate subjects and to bring them unto subjection to His laws that the war is being waged. There will be no permanent peace upon earth until the dominion of the Prince of Peace be recognized and submitted to.

But even if the nations as such are not ready to recognize Him and yield Him allegiance, the individuals may do so, "For as many as received Him gave He power to become the sons of God," and to all these will He grant that peace which has been said to pass understanding.

And with the wish that this superb peace may become a fact in the lives of our readers the Courier brings its greetings.

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In order to give the members of the staff of the Courier an opportunity to enjoy the many events taking place during the week between Christmas and New Year, they will now take a week's vacation and consequently this is the last issue of the year.

It is with grateful recognition of a loyal support from our comparatively many readers that we extend to all of them the greeting of A Happy New Year.

We hope and trust that the New Year will bring a happy change, not only to us in this remote part of the British Empire, but also to it as a whole and to the world at large.

Our hopes and greetings for a happy new year may not carry with them any essential portion of happiness to the individuals thus addressed; but under all circumstances it is good to be assured of the friendship and sympathetic concern of our fellow-men. It gives comfort and strength in our every day struggles and may be a help to keep up our courage, and give perseverance and strength in some hard task we have to perform or trial to endure.

But our surest foundation for true happiness is found within ourselves. It is derived from character and is not so much dependant on our surroundings as we generally suppose.

It is possible to be unhappy when surrounded by every comfort money can buy and brain devise. On the other hand we have heard of people being happy even in prison and under other equally adverse circumstances. It is strange that after so many years, humanity at large has not learned in what direction to look for the thing most sought after.

Our character should be our most important asset; our source of greatest wealth; as it is a thing that abides when all beside passes away. It endures through death and into eternity.

Therefore in wishing our readers a happy new year, we at the same time also wish that they may be worthy of the happiness we would like to see them enjoy. Any blessing of which we do not prove ourselves worthy will be taken away from us.

And in this respect what is true of individuals is also true of nations. Our forefathers and

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predecessors have built up a great and strong Empire. At this time it is engaged in a terrible conflict for the purpose of preserving that which is of more value than mere wealth and prosperity. We have for a long time enjoyed freedom, honor and great achievements under that dear flag which waves in every breeze, upon every sea and in many lands. But there lurks danger in this vast power and the great responsibilities of which we are possessed.

This is the danger, and it is not imaginary, that, in the confidence we feel in our strength, power and many other things, we grow over-confident and proud. There is also the danger that we love power for its own sake. We may or may not be conscious of these sins, but if they do exist, sins they are, and will be dealt with as such by One who is no respecter of persons. He has entrusted our nation with great responsibilites and has equipped it with every facility for carrying them out. But if we fail, our power will be stripped from us and we must take our place in a less elevated position.

Our Empire in order to maintain its place as leader among the nations of the world must not use its power for self-glorification and self-aggrandizement, but clothe itself with humility, be willing to assume the position of servant, which is the true position to take in order to be great.

A nation that is willing to use its intellect, its wealth, its power and prestige to such end may rest assured that there is no power or combination of powers less worthy, that will deprive it of the place which it holds by right because of its high character. And, therefore, we conclude that it depends in the last instance upon our own attitude whether the year coming will be to us a happy New Year.

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The News-Advertiser Criticised.

As was to be expected the press that supports the McBride administration in its recklessness of expenditures even during this trying time, would also support it in its absurd and unprecedented stand in regard to the submission of Prohibition to the voters of the province. Listen to the aberrations of the News-Advertiser on this proposition:

"Which is the more democratic the proposition that the people shall be allowed to say whether they want total prohibition or not, or the proposition that they shall only be allowed to say whether they want the Alberta Act or not?"

It is necessary in this case that the people define to the legislature just what they want, and for this reason the prohibitionists who understand this problem just as well and very likely a great deal better than the Solons that assemble in Victoria, say they want the "Alberta Act" enacted into law, and not some unworkable conglomeration concocted by enemies of prohibition which may be elected to the legislature. The prohibitionists have no guarantee, at this time, that the men elected will be in favor of prohibition and to entrust opponents of the measure to draw up and adopt a practical act would be about as sensible as for the United States, after the Civil war, to entrust the former slave owners with the responsibility of giving the emancipated slaves the rights which had been gained for them by the great conflict.

If this question of prohibition is to be kept out of partisan politics the position taken by the prohibitionists is the correct one and the only one; but if, on the other hand, it is to be a party measure then the prohibitionists must see to it that friends of the measure must be elected and if they are successful in electing a majority, then the legislature can be entrusted to enact the law, but not otherwise.

The demand of the prohibitionists that the Alberta Act be submitted is just as democratic as is the custom of permitting voters only the choice of two candidates in an election for some office.

Again we quote from the same source:

"Which is the more democratic, to allow the people who vote for or against total prohibition, to give also their opinion on another question such as the Saskatchewan method of banishing the bar, or to refuse them that privilege?"

We have replied to this argument in a former issue and tried to show the dishonesty of the contention made in this instance, that the submission of a variety of questions on the one issue will have the effect of confusing the voters and result in that no one question receives a majority, thus giving the friends of the liquor traffic an excuse for not enacting a prohibition statute.

In our last issue we presented evidence that our provincial statesmen consider themselves of such eminence, that they need not profit by the experience or example of other statesmen. And here is more evidence in the same direction. We would ask: Is there among any of the self-governing peoples of the world, where the question of prohibition has been submitted to a popular vote, one or more which has thought it practical to submit it in the manner proposed by our government?

We say no! and we further say that those who advocate this bran new mode know that our government is not honest in proposing it. "Whom the gods wish to destroy they first make mad."

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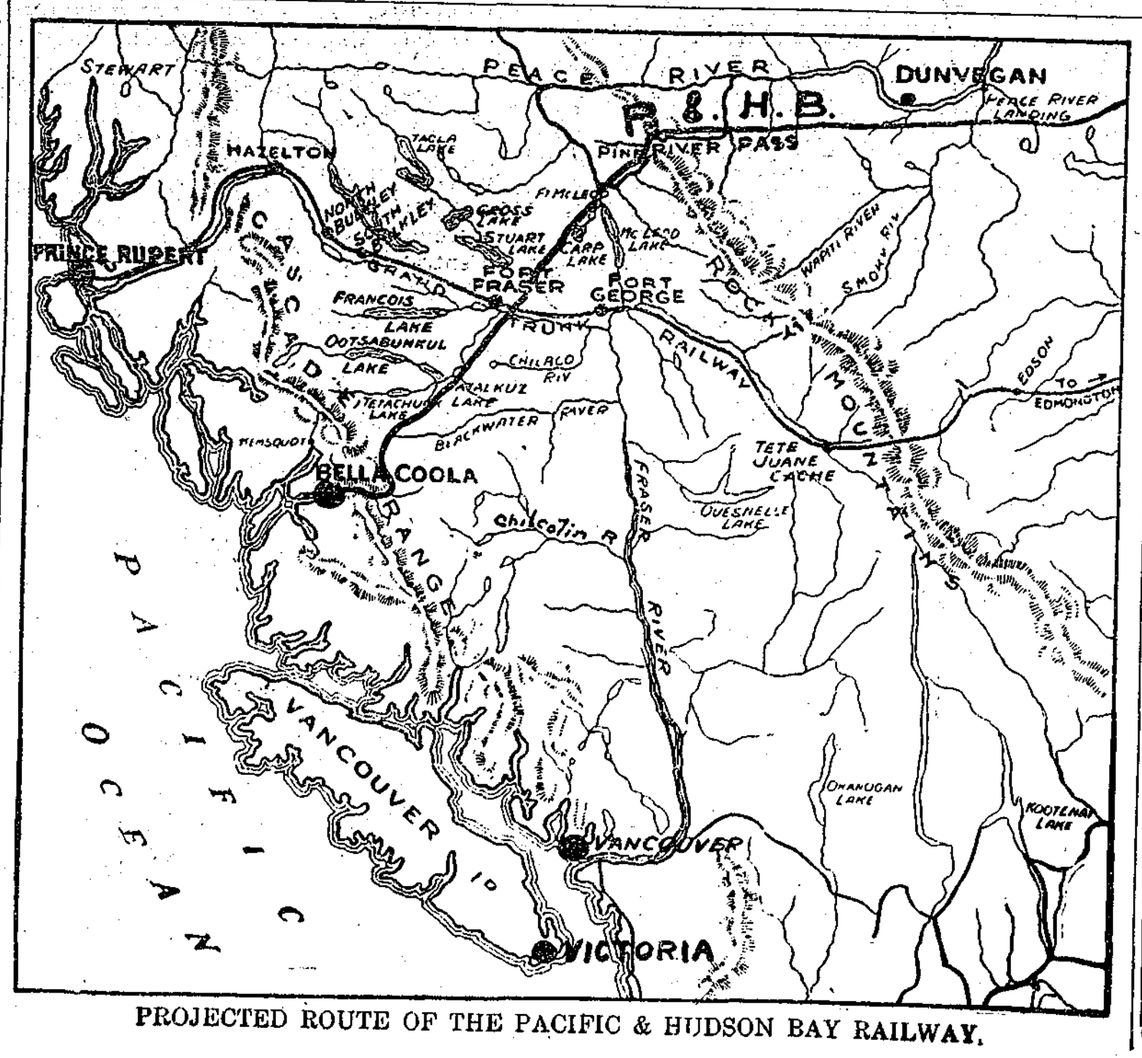
A New Year's Resolution.

It is regrettable that war and winter combined makes for great distress among so great a number of people. Christmas time should remind those more fortunate that they have a duty to perform towards their less happy fellow-



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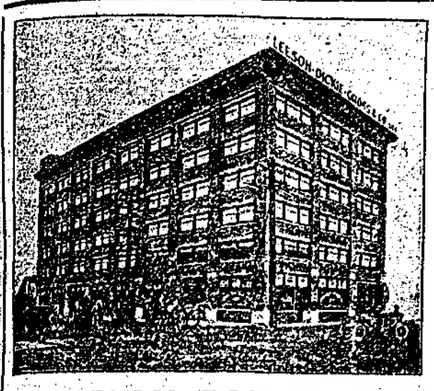
men, which cannot be shirked without injury both to themselves and those whose sufferings should be relieved. We feel, ordinarily, that we have nothing to spare, that what we do possess cannot be deviated from our seemingly really pressing needs. This trouble is present with nearly everybody, with those of large families and those of small families. It is present with those of small incomes and those of larger incomes, and it is felt just as keenly in one case as in the other. In the face of this difficulty which seems almost impossible to overcome, the responsibility to "do our bit" stares us in the face and will not down.

The only way to meet it is that we make radical changes in both our habits and style of living. We all have adjusted our mode of living to our usual income, and in time has become a fixed habit. Our habits have become more and more expensive as the years have been passing, until now we find that it costs greatly more to live than it did our forefathers.

The unprecedented conditions brought upon us by the war will make it imperative that everybody re-adjust their style of living on more economical lines, in order that we may be able to take a larger share of the increasing public burdens.

We cannot make a forecast of what the conditions actually will be in the near future; but it seems safe to predict that we all must make sacrifices to repair the losses and alleviate the sufferings caused by the war.

Therefore, let the resolutions we make for the new year include a strict economy in our mode of living, that we may be able to save as much as possible, and that the savings be used for patriotic and humanitarian purposes.



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For full information application should be made to the Secretary of the Department of the Interior, Ottawa, or to any Agent or Sub-Agent of Dominion Lands.

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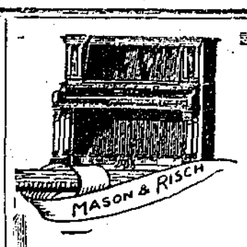

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Planning for Next Summer.

The winter is the time when the farmer should plan for the crops to be raised the summer following. He should decide which crops would be most suitable for his soil and the climatic conditions, and which would be the most profitable to raise. He should also bear in mind that he must so conduct his farming that the soil be not impoverished, but rather that it be made to increase in fertility the longer it is used. This is not as hard as it may seem at first. It has been found that by a judicious rotation of crops, the plowing under of some leguminous crop and the application of barnyard manure the soil will be brought to a high state of fertility.

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We now copy from an excellent book issued by the Dominion Department of Agriculture on "Milk Production in Canada," an extract on crops and crop rotation in British Columbia:

CROPS TO GROW.

It is important to so handle the farm as to provide the cheapest supply of the most suitable feeds the year round. This means plenty of succulent forage from January 1 to December 31. It should also include plenty of clover or some suitable substitute. As to grain crops advisable, a mixture of oats, peas, and barley would probably give best results.

Succulent forage might be either ensilage or roots. In most parts of Canada, Indian corn is the most suitable crop for ensilage, but clover, alfalfa, and a variety of other crops give good results. Where roots can be grown to better advantage than corn, turnips, mangels, or sugar beets may be used, mangels and sugar beets being the sorts likely to give best results.

ROTATIONS.

To produce these feeds in right proportion and at the same time maintain or increase the fertility of the soil, a short rotation is necessary. In British Columbia, rotations of three and four years will be found best.

A good three-year rotation is as follows:

1st year. Corn, roots, potatoes or peas. Spring plowed for corn, summer plowed for roots, manured in either case.

2nd year. Cereals such as oats or wheat. 6lbs. red clover, 9 lbs. alsike, 7 lbs. alfalfa, 6 lbs. timothy per acre.

3rd year. Hay or part hay and part pasture, followed by corn, etc., the next year.

A good four-year rotation is as follows:

1st year. Corn, roots, potatoes or peas. Land plowed for roots, potatoes or peas early preceding fall. Corn land plowed spring. Corn, root, and potato land manured.

2nd year. Grain, mixture, peas 1 bus., barley, 1 bus., oats, 2 bus., sown at rate of 3 bus. per acre. Seeded down with red clover, 6 lbs., alsike, 2 lbs., alfalfa, 7 or 8 lbs., and timothy, 6 lbs. per acre.

3rd year. Part pasture, part hay or hay cut early and pasture part of aftermath. Cut two crops of hay off part of area.

4th year. Hay and pasture. Part intended for roots, potatoes or peas to be plowed early in August, rolled, disced and cultivated. Corn area plowed next spring. Manure applied as convenient during summer, winter and spring preparatory to corn and other hoed crop.

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