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Government Endeavors to Force Opposition to Vote on Naval Bill

Will Give Notice of Closure

Ottawa, March 20.—The government issued a statement today to the effect that it will no longer brook delay of business by the opposition's attitude on the Naval Bill, and that unless the Liberals agree to vote on the Bill, notice of closure will be given when the House reassembles next week.

Rich Gold Strike at Teslin Lake

Skagway, March 20.—A rich strike of free-milling gold has been made by prospectors at Teslin Lake.

Samples recently brought out have proved wonderfully rich and a stampede has started. Scores of people are leaving here daily for the scene of the strike.

Supplementary Estimates Disposed of

Ottawa, March 19.—The House settled down today to dispose of the supplementary estimates before rising for Easter holidays.

Replying to a question by Mr. Pugsley, member for St. John, Mr. White, minister of finance, stated that the total expenditure for the year ending March 31st, this year, amounted to about one hundred and fifty millions, though the total estimate was about one hundred and seventy-four millions.

Storm Sweeps Southern States

Memphis, March 20.—A disastrous storm swept over Tennessee and the adjoining states yesterday. The force of the wind was terrific. Numbers of buildings were demolished and thousands of people are rendered homeless.

The damage to property resulting from the storm is estimated to exceed seven million dollars. Four persons were killed and many seriously injured.

Threatened Strike of Railway Employees

Chicago, March 19.—The trainmen and switchmen of nineteen of the principal railroads are threatening to strike unless they are granted better conditions. Great anxiety is felt as it is thought that the men will carry out their threat unless the companies make some concessions immediately.

Turkey Offers to Surrender Adrianople on Certain Conditions

Bulgaria Refuses to Accept

London, March 19.—Turkey has offered to surrender Adrianople on conditions that the garrison be allowed the honors of war and be permitted to keep their arms.

Bulgaria refuses to accept the surrender on the terms offered by the Turks and insists on surrender of Adrianople, Scutari, and Islands in Aegean Sea, together with large war indemnity.

Powers Will Ignore Allies Demands

The Powers have decided to ignore the demands of the Allies which they consider extravagant and will shortly propose other conditions.

Austria Brings Situation Closer to a Crisis

Vienna, March 20.—Austria has brought the situation in the Balkans still closer to a crisis by making peremptory demands on Montenegro. A large Austrian fleet has been despatched to enforce the demands.

Plot to Assassinate General Huerta

MANY ARRESTS MADE

Mexico city, March 20.—A plot has been discovered among the palace guards having for its object the assassination of provisional-president Huerta. Many arrests have been made and excitement is at high pitch.

Three of the guards arrested for participating in the plot were afterwards killed while attempting to escape.

Twenty Injured When Train Is Derailed

Marshalltown, Iowa, March 20.—A train on the Minneapolis and St. Louis line was derailed today. Several cars broke away from the train and tumbled into a ravine. Twenty people were seriously injured.

Hurricane Sinks Many Ships

Hamburg, March 20.—A terrific hurricane struck this part of the coast yesterday resulting in the sinking of eighty ships. The ships were mostly small coasting craft, but the death roll will nevertheless be heavy.

Assassination of King of Greece

Meets Death at Hands of Fanatic While Walking in Crowded Thoroughfare

Athens, March 19.—King George of Greece was assassinated on Tuesday last while walking in one of the principal streets of Salonika. The murderer, a Grecian fanatic, approaching his majesty from the rear, fired a shot into the small of his back. The stricken king was quickly surrounded by faithful subjects, but it was found that the unfortunate monarch was beyond human aid, it being only a few minutes before death ensued. The assassin was immediately captured and hurried from the scene in order to escape threatened violence at the hands of the crowd that quickly assembled.

Prince Constantine Succeeds to Throne

Prince Constantine, the eldest son of the late king succeeds to the throne.

The Most Democratic Monarch in the World

The late King ascended to the throne in the year 1863. He was a son of the King of Denmark and was generally recognized as the most democratic monarch in the world. Often while walking unattended through the streets of Athens he would stop to converse with the humblest shop keeper. Once whilst on a visit to Patras, he contracted smallpox through mingling with the crowd which was shouting his welcome, the disease being epidemic at the time.

Intended to Abdicate French Cabinet Resigns

Copenhagen, March 20.—It is authoritatively stated that the late King George of Greece in recent letters to his most intimate friends, repeatedly asserted his intention to relinquish the throne and live a retired life as soon as peace was concluded.

Paris, March 20.—The Cabinet resigned yesterday. The greatest anxiety is felt at the fact of the administration being left to face the grave crisis that is imminent at this time when all Europe is in a strained condition over the Balkan situation.

Rebels Demand Surrender of City

Monterrey, Mexico, March 20.—A large rebel force have surrounded the city and demands its surrender. Reinforcements are being rushed to the aid of the garrison with all possible speed. United States cruisers are enroute for Mexico.

Vancouver, March 20.—Archdeacon Pentreath died in California on Wednesday, the remains will be brought here for interment.

Ottawa, March 19.—Senator McMullen died yesterday.

Disastrous Fire at Medicine Hat

Medicine Hat, March 20.—The Malcolm Canning plant is destroyed by a fire caused by an explosion of gas. The walls of the premises were blown out, covering scores of spectators with debris. Five persons lost their lives and ten were seriously injured. Those killed are Reginald Rimmer, W. Green, Charles Bohannon, W. Stewart and J. Briar.

Former City Official Arrested

Calgary, March 20.—Charles H. Minchin, formerly assistant city treasurer, has been arrested on a charge of alleged embezzlement.

Jottings of Bella Coola and District

'Camosun' calls at South Bentick Arm at the several logging camps operated by the Ocean Falls Co., the S. S. Camosun arrived at port about noon on Saturday. Besides an unusually large consignment of freight which included considerable household

effects, the steamer had a goodly number of passengers for this port, among whom were included: Mrs. J. Widsten, Miss Annie Livelton, Messrs B. F. Jacobsen, E. Stoessiger, B. Rolston, L. J. Calnan, J. Colburn, W. Garret, D. Young, P. J. Kenyon, G. K. Burnett, B. C. L. S.

The outgoing passengers included Dr. Francis Cavanagh and Mr. R. A. Teebay.

Mr. Stoessiger returns home after a lengthy visit to his parents in Glen Ellyn, Ill.

Mr. David Young, a former resident of the Valley, arrived in charge of a handsome team of horses, which are to be used on road construction work during the summer.

Mr. P. J. Kenyon is back home after a trip through the interior extending over several months. Mr. Kenyon returned via Ashcroft and put in several weeks in Vancouver.

Mr. Teebay has gone to Ocean Falls to make arrangements for a large shipment of lumber, part of which he intends to use in constructing a residence, the remainder being for the local firm of Robinson, Wheeler and Robinson, contractors and builders.

The Courier learns that Mr. M. W. Marvin has leased the Young ranch in the Upper Valley for a period of four years.

Travellers over the trail will be provided with food for man and beast at moderate charges.

AN ENJOYABLE DANCE

One of the most enjoyable social functions of the season was the dance which took place at the Grand View Hotel on Friday, 14th inst., when a large number of local ladies and gentlemen assembled on invitation from the proprietor, Mr. Frank Hagan.

As is usual when Mr. Hagan is the host, the arrangements were perfect, and the excellent floor and lively music were taken full advantage of. Dancing was kept up until the early hours with an interval about midnight, when an appetizing supper was served.

The numerous guests included Mesdames F. K. Hicklenton, H. Hewitt, W. Gallienne, O. T. Landry, B. Brynildsen, H. L. Harris, P. Gadsden, J. Robinson, A. Blayney, G. Young, O. E. Robinson, A. Hall, W. D. Stephenson, Misses Edna Hicklenton, F. Barker, J. Blayney, E. Carlisle, C. Robinson, M. Svidahl, Messrs C. and F. Hendricks, C. Taylor, F. K. Hicklenton, A. Gothard, W. Gallienne, O. T. Landry, B. M. Brynildsen, E. Wheeler, F. Broughton, P. Gadsden, T. E. Jacobsen, J. Chadwell, T. Lavelton, B. C. Keeping, H. Hewitt, W. Gross, V. Clayton, B. Barrow, O. E. Robinson, A. Hall, J. McKechnie, F. Robinson, F. Minaty, J. C. Hoage and Capt. W. D.

Stephenson. Excellent music was supplied by Mrs. F. K. Hicklenton and Miss J. Blayney (piano) and Messrs P. Gadsden and F. K. Hicklenton (violin).

Local Debaters Meet

An interesting discussion took place at the Mackenzie School on Thursday 13th inst., when the members of the Bella Coola Debating Society tackled the difficult question of "Government Ownership of Public Utilities." The subject was well handled by both sides and it was only after lengthy consideration of the arguments put forward that the judges finally returned a verdict in favor of the affirmative side.

The next meeting of the Society which will take the form of a musical social, is billed for Thursday, 27th inst., at 8 p. m. at the Mackenzie School.

A short debate will be introduced, Messrs S. Le C. Grant and G. Lindsell being invited to oppose Messrs H. L. Harris and W. H. Gibson as representing the Society.

A good musical programme is being arranged, and the matter of refreshments is also in capable hands, so that an enjoyable evening is assured.

All are promised a hearty welcome.

Mr. W. Dyson, so well known on the coast as the popular chief steward on S. S. Camosun, has been forced to take a trip to California owing to a break-down in health.

The "Courier" joins his many friends in the North in wishing him a speedy recovery, and will welcome his return to his home waters.

Bella Coola Development League

A meeting of the members of the above League will be held at the Mackenzie School on Thursday 27th inst., at 4 p. m.

The finance committee will report and the preliminary arrangements for the 24th May celebration will be up for consideration.

Every resident of Bella Coola Valley is earnestly requested to become a member of this organization, which has for its sole object THE DEVELOPMENT OF BELLA COOLA ALONG PROGRESSIVE LINES.

H. L. HARRIS, Secretary.

J. H. D. Gain, B. C. L. S., and party, are engaged in survey work in the neighborhood of Noomamish River, some three miles down the Inlet.

Special Easter Dinner Services

Special Easter Services will be held at the Lower Bella Coola School and the Mackenzie School on Sunday March 23, at 3 o'clock in the afternoon. All are invited.

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The Issue

It is generally admitted that a General Election seems inevitable unless Premier Borden weakens and decides to withdraw his Naval Bill.

In view of the possibility of an election, it becomes the plain duty of every Canadian Citizen to fully inform himself on the issue between the two political parties.

In studying the "Naval Question" however, it must not be forgotten that Premier Borden's policy of cash contribution is in direct contravention to the agreement entered into by the Dominion and the British Admiralty at the Imperial Conference of 1909. This fact is made plain in the following article which we take from the Toronto Globe:

THE DOMINION ON THE PACIFIC OCEAN

One of the most objectionable features of the Borden naval proposal is the way in which it ignores altogether the interests and responsibilities of the Dominion of Canada on the Pacific ocean. These interests were taken into account and these responsibilities were definitely fixed, as between the Dominions and the British Admiralty, at the London conference of 1909, and if the Borden scheme is set aside now they will certainly not be ignored in the next negotiations between the British and Canadian governments on the subject of Canada's contributions to Imperial defence on the high seas.

According to Mr. Pearce, the Australian Minister for Defence, the Borden proposals now under consideration involve a deliberate breach of faith on the part of both the Canadian government and the British Admiralty with the Australian government. The fact that there has been a change of First Lord of the Admiralty and of First Minister in this Dominion may explain but it cannot extenuate such a violation of a carefully considered, clearly understood, and explicitly defined contract. There is abundant justification for Mr. Pearce's as-

sertion that at the last Imperial conference, Canada, Australia and New Zealand adopted a "fleet unit" scheme, and that this agreement has been violated by Canada and New Zealand, Australia being the only Dominion that has undertaken to carry it out.

Mr. Pearce throws further interesting light on the situation when he adds that at the time of making the tripartite agreement the latter ORIGINATED WITH THE ADMIRALTY, AND NOT WITH THE DOMINIONS. Clearly what happened was that the Lords of the Admiralty, convinced that the "fleet unit" plan was the best for the Empire, PROPOSED IT TO THE DOMINION REPRESENTATIVES, and that it was accepted by them. That the Admiralty were right then, and that the Admiralty and Borden government are wrong now, will be found to be the opinion of the great majority of the Canadian electors if Mr. Borden and his colleagues have the courage to face them.

The best course for Canada to take now is to bury the contribution proposal "deeper than plummet ever sounded," and re-join Australia in her courageous proposal to do her share in defending the interests of Great Britain and of the over-seas Dominions on the Pacific ocean without ignoring the Atlantic in the arrangement. Mr. Pearce concludes his statement with an expression of the collective opinion of the Australian ministry on the subject. The "fleet unit" scheme, he says, "can be adjusted to meet any development in the Canadian and New Zealand naval policies," and he expresses the hope that "the three countries may yet fall into line for the purpose of promoting this unity of action." Mr. Foster is likely to hear something interesting on this subject during his sojourn in Australia.

Where is the Emergency?

Recently the New Zealand government informed the Colonial office that if it was thought desirable to retain H. M. S. New Zealand in European waters, the Dominion would readily consent to the vessel's world tour being postponed. To this Rt. Hon. Lewis Harcourt replied:

"I am happy to be able to assure you that there are no strategic or political necessities for such a decision, and that the battle-cruiser which bears the name and was provided by the patriotism of the government and people of New Zealand can proceed on her appointed course."

"I am, however, desired by His Majesty's government to express through you to the Prime Minister and government of New Zealand their deep gratitude for the offer made, which they are happy to find it is not, under existing circumstances, necessary to adopt."

In other words, the Colonial Secretary makes it plain that ample provision is being made by the British Admiralty for the safeguarding of Home waters, and that no emergency exists except in the mind of Mr. Borden. The Admiralty memorandum bears out this view.

Provincial Elections Act

Among the many changes that have recently been made to the Provincial Elections Act, there is probably none so obviously unjustifiable as is that whereby Sub-Section 5 of Section 11 of the old Act is struck out and the following substituted therefor: "In the case of the first register of voters, the same, made up as above, shall be certified by the said Registrar and forwarded forthwith to the Provincial Secretary, who "MAY" order the same to be printed, and the said register of voters shall be the list used at any election which may take place before the next revision has been com-

pleted." Under the former Act, when the Voters' List was compiled after each revision and certified by the Registrar, they had to be forwarded to the King's Printer, WHO WAS COMPELLED TO PRINT THE SAME, and by Section 20 of the old Act the King's Printer was bound to furnish for 25 cents a copy of printed lists for any Electoral District. Under the present amended Act it is discretionary with the Provincial Secretary whether the lists will be printed or not after each revision. The Government we know from past experience, have declined to furnish parties with printed copies of the last revised Voters' List as required by law. Now the Act is so worded that they are not obliged to print them and may simply do so on the eve of an election when the least possible use can be made of them by their opponents. It will readily be seen that under this new Act it will be impossible for opponents of the Government who are not furnished with lists after each Court of Revision to intelligently revise the list on the two dates in the year set apart for that purpose. There is only one way provided by the new Act whereby an elector may obtain a copy of the Voters' List after each revision, and that is under Section 9, which provides that the Registrars of Voters shall furnish written copies of the list, or any part thereof, for the sum of 25 cents per one hundred words. Assuming that there are 3,500 registered voters in the Skeena district, and each name on the list, with descriptions, etc., will take up about four words, it will cost \$35 for anyone to obtain a complete copy of the Voters' List for the district. A more brazen attempt to prevent the public from seeing and examining and correcting the Voters' List until the eve of an election can hardly be conceived.

The Auditor Generalship

Dame Rumor has it confidently that Wm. Manson, member for this District, is to be appointed to the Auditor-Generalship of the Province. This, if true, will doubtless be as opportune to Mr. Manson as it will be welcome. Mr. Manson knows, what his

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erstwhile enthusiastic supporters are forced to admit, that should he seek re-election for this district his chance of success would be slim indeed. But the government would be indeed ungrateful could it not find a couch of velvet for such a faithful and subservient adherent as Mr. Manson has ever been.
 Mr. Manson has been a signal failure as representative of this district, and none should realize this fact more keenly than the people of Bella Coola.
 "He that attempts to make few mistakes, under charity to Mr. Manson we say that his errors have been numerous."
 Should Mr. Manson resign seat for the position of Auditor General, the Courier suggests the following in memoriam: "When Bill said Bow Street, and none should realize did."

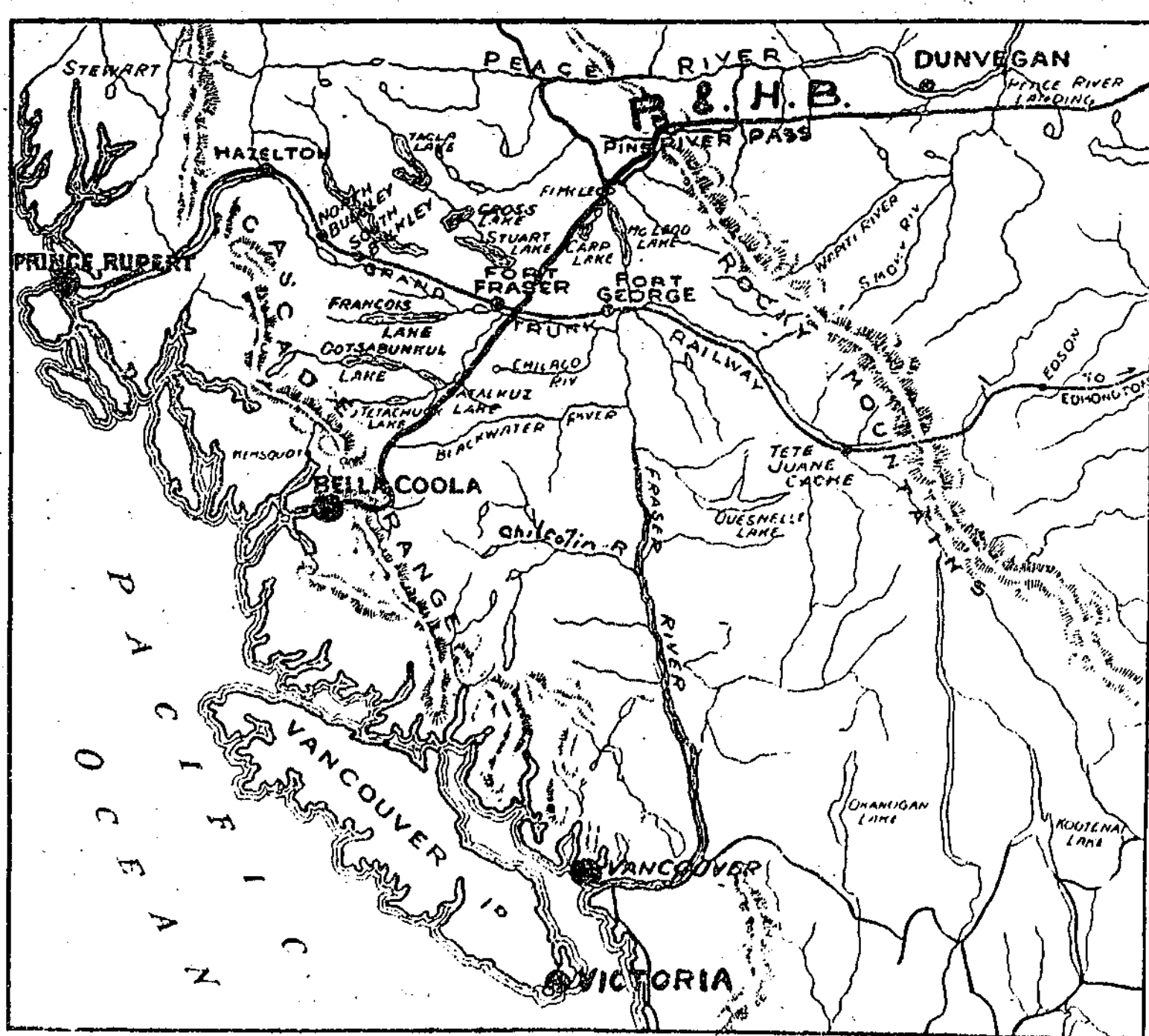
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J. H. McMULLIN,
Registrar of Voters for the Skeena Electoral District.

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DISTRICT OF COAST-RANGE III.

TAKE NOTICE that I, Frank Broughton of Bella Coola, B. C., occupation provincial constable, intend to apply for permission to purchase the following described land:

Commencing at a post planted at the south-west corner of Lot No. 452, marked F. B. north-east corner, thence West 40 chains, thence South 20 chains, thence East 40 chains, thence North 20 chains to point of commencement, containing 80 acres more or less.

FRANK BROUGHTON.
Date, January 31, 1913. Feb. 8--Apr. 15.

VANCOUVER LAND DISTRICT

DISTRICT OF COAST-RANGE III.

TAKE NOTICE that I, Rebecca Crane, of Vancouver, B. C., married woman, intend to apply for permission to purchase the following described land:

Commencing at a post planted about 20 chains west from the north-west corner of the north-west quarter of section 22, Township 8, Range 3, thence North 20 chains, thence East 30 chains, thence South 20 chains, thence West 30 chains to point of commencement, and containing 60 acres more or less situated in the vicinity of Firvale, (formerly of Sloan) B. C., Bella Coola Valley.

REBECCA CRANE.
Date, December 23, 1912. Feb. 2--Apr. 15.

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DISTRICT OF COAST-RANGE III.

TAKE NOTICE that Helene Minnos, of Vancouver, B. C., occupation married woman, intends to apply for permission to purchase the following described land: Commencing at a post planted at the south-east corner, near the Island in the Salmo River, and about three-quarters of a mile, more or less, north-west of Lot 154, thence West 40 chains, thence North 40 chains, thence East 40 chains, thence South 40 chains to point of commencement, containing 160 acres.

HELENE MINNOS.
Date, January 28th, 1913. Feb. 8--Apr. 15.

VANCOUVER LAND DISTRICT

DISTRICT OF COAST-RANGE III.

TAKE NOTICE that Edward Le Coque Grant, of Bella Coola, B. C., occupation farmer, intends to apply for permission to purchase the following described land: Commencing at a post planted about twenty chains distant and in an easterly direction from the north-west corner of pre-emption No. 3082, situate on the Alnarko River. Thence south forty chains, thence east twenty chains, thence north forty chains, thence west twenty chains to point of commencement, containing 80 acres.

EDWARD LE COQUE GRANT.
Date, March 1, 1913. Mar. 22--May 17.

VANCOUVER LAND DISTRICT

DISTRICT OF COAST-RANGE III.

TAKE NOTICE that John Smith, of Vancouver, B. C., occupation carpenter, intends to apply for permission to purchase the following described land:

Commencing at a post planted at mile post 49 on the 53rd parallel of latitude, thence South eighty chains, thence West eighty chains, thence North eighty chains, thence East eighty chains to point of commencement, containing 640 acres more or less.

JOHN SMITH.
Date, January 2, 1913. Mar. 22--May 17.

VANCOUVER LAND DISTRICT

DISTRICT OF COAST, RANGE 4.

TAKE NOTICE that William Wilson Crichton, of Vancouver, B. C., occupation carpenter, intends to apply for permission to purchase the following described land:

Commencing at a post planted at mile post 48 on the 53rd parallel of latitude, thence north eighty chains, thence west eighty chains, thence south eighty chains, thence east eighty chains to point of commencement, containing 640 acres, more or less.

WILLIAM WILSON CRICHTON.
Date, January 2, 1913. Mar. 22--May 17.

VANCOUVER LAND DISTRICT

DISTRICT OF COAST-RANGE III.

TAKE NOTICE that Harry Lloid Donahue, of Vancouver, B. C., occupation wireman helper, intends to apply for permission to purchase the following described land:

Commencing at a post planted at mile post 48 on the 53rd parallel of latitude, thence south eighty chains, thence west sixty chains, thence north eighty chains, thence east sixty chains, to point of commencement, containing 480 acres, more or less.

HARRY LLOID DONAHUE.
Date, January 2, 1913. Mar. 22--May 17.

VANCOUVER LAND DISTRICT

DISTRICT OF COAST-RANGE III.

TAKE NOTICE that Walter Gutteridge, of Vancouver, B. C., occupation laborer, intends to apply for permission to purchase the following described land:

Commencing at a post planted at mile post 48 on the 53 parallel of latitude, thence south eighty chains, thence east sixty chains, thence north eighty chains, thence west sixty chains to point of commencement, containing 480 acres, more or less.

WALTER GUTTERIDGE.
Date, January 2, 1913. Mar. 22--May 17.

VANCOUVER LAND DISTRICT

DISTRICT OF COAST, RANGE 4.

TAKE NOTICE that David Kidd, of Vancouver, B. C., occupation laborer, intends to apply for permission to purchase the following described land:

Commencing at a post planted at mile post 48 on the 53rd parallel of latitude, thence north forty chains, thence east forty chains, thence south forty chains, thence west forty chains to point of commencement, containing 160 acres, more or less.

DAVID KIDD.
Date, January 3, 1913. Mar. 22--May 17.

VANCOUVER LAND DISTRICT

DISTRICT OF COAST-RANGE III.

TAKE NOTICE that John Walker, of Vancouver, B. C., occupation laborer, intends to apply for permission to purchase the following described land:

Commencing at a post planted at the north-east corner of Lot 676, thence north eighty chains, thence west eighty chains, thence south eighty chains, thence east eighty chains, containing 640 acres, more or less.

JOHN WALKER.
Date, January 3, 1913. Mar. 22--May 17.

VANCOUVER LAND DISTRICT

DISTRICT OF COAST-RANGE III.

TAKE NOTICE that Robert Campbell, of Vancouver, B. C., occupation carpenter, intends to apply for permission to purchase the following described land:

Commencing at a post planted about five and three-quarter miles south from mile post 44 on the 53rd parallel of latitude, thence south eighty chains, thence south eighty chains, thence west eighty chains, thence north eighty chains, thence east eighty chains to point of commencement, containing 640 acres, more or less.

ROBERT CAMPBELL.
Date, January 6, 1913. Mar. 22--May 17.

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