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WEATHER REPORT FOR APRIL.
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Temperature: Maximum, 55. Minimum, 36.
Highest Max. (27th) 68. Lowest Min. (21) 32
Rainfall, 2.55 inches.
Rainfall for the year (1915) 34.33 inches.

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The Struggle for Verdun Continues

Murderous Fight Goes On

Paris, May 25.—In region of Verdun the German counter attacks took on a character of extreme violence along the whole for our front. On the left bank of the Meuse after a bombardment with large shells all morning the Germans launched on several occasions their assaulting masses against our positions to the east and west of Lemorte Homme. The first attack was repulsed with sanguinary losses without enemy having reached our lines. A second attack in the evening succeeded in gaining a footing in one of our trenches to the west, but an immediate counter attack drove them out. On the right bank of the Meuse in the region of Haudremont, Douamont was an all day scene of the theatre of a murderous struggle. The Germans multiplied their assaults which were preceded by powerful artillery preparations. Despite these efforts the positions conquered by us yesterday were held, notably in fort Douamont. More than three hundred prisoners remain in our hands.

The Entente Allies occupied the railroad station at Florina, south of Monastir, says a Salonika despatch received here today.

Concentration of Artillery

Rome, May 25.—A hundred cannon placed on each mile along the front of 20 miles is, according to military experts, the largest concentration of artillery, and which is being employed by the Austrians in their offensive against the Italians.

Russians Occupy Serbecht

Petrograd, May 25.—South of Krevoskay we exploded a mine and occupied the summit of the crater. In the region of Kusocka Volia we repulsed the Germans and destroyed recently constructed trenches. On the Stripa, the enemy's artillery bombarded our positions with shrapnel in which splinters of glass were discovered.

Southwest of Trebizond we repulsed repeated attacks. We dislodged the Turks from an organized position on the slopes north of Taurus mountains. In direction of Moseul we occupied Serbecht.

Cunard Line Amalgamate

Liverpool, May 25.—A provisional agreement for amalgamation of the Cunard, Commonwealth and Dominion steamship lines was announced today.

Premier Asquith made the announcement that David Lloyd George will undertake negotiations with Irish leaders.

Italians Concentrate in Arsiero Basin

Rome, May 26.—In the Arasa valley Austrians and Italians are engaged in heavy fighting on the frontier. Between this point and Astico river along the frontier has been the scene of sharp engagements. The Italians have withdrawn and are concentrated in the Arsiero basin.

Rebels to Stand Trial for High Treason

London, May 26.—The grand jury today returned a true bill aginst Sir Roger Casement, the leader of the Sinn Fein revolution in Ireland, and Daniel J. Baily, the former British soldier who is held as his accomplice. Ireland takes little interest in the trial of the rebels.

Tide of Battle Flows Against French at Verdun

Germans Lavish in the Expenditure of Life—Retake Lost Ground

Paris, May 26.—The tide of battle at Verdun flowed against the French during the last 24 hours. The Germans rallying delivered a smashing blow which took from them the greater part of fort Douamont. The enemy hurled their legions once more against the ruins of the fort and by lavish expenditure of life succeeded in partially retrieving the ground they had lost. They also gained a small advantage on the left bank of the river. The fighting was furious, the Germans launching attack after attack against the fort, employing two fresh divisions of Bavarians. Several times the attackers were repulsed with heavy losses, but finally the Germans succeeded in re-occupying the point of vantage which they had held until recently since the commencement of the Verdun offensive. Military opinion here not greatly concerned over the result of the day's fighting.

Tornado Sweeps Quebec

Quebec, May 26—This city was swept yesterday afternoon by a severe tornado, one man named Berlanger, aged 62 years, died. He was swept from a roof in the St. Malo suburb and picked up in the street. Scores of roofs were torn from houses and trees felled by the hundreds.

Reduction on Parcels for Soldiers

Ottawa, May 26.—The postage on parcels sent to soldiers at the front has been reduced as follows:

For parcels weighing up to 3 pounds, 24 cents.

Over 3 and up to 7 pounds, 32 cents.

Jottings of Bella Coola and District

S. S. Camosun arrived Sunday afternoon shortly after three o'clock. She brought the average load of freight and passengers. The arrivals were people who by experience had learned of the attractions of Bella Coola, especially in this the most beautiful month of the year, they were: Earl Stoessiger, Mrs. R. A. Teebay and children, Mrs. S. Gledhill and children, Mrs. R. Holte, Geo. H. Bennett and A. Capoose.

The outgoing passengers were C. W. Homer, Walter and Frank Ratcliff.

S. S. Coquitlam graced our harbor with a visit late Saturday night. She brought a consignment of gasoline and had her hold so well filled with freight beforehand that she could not take any of the many tons of potatoes in the warehouse awaiting shipment to the North.

Martin Nygaard from Kimsquit and A. G. Henning of Vancouver, came in on a short business trip last week. After staying a day they returned in their launch to Kimsquit.

Mrs. R. A. Teebay, after an absence of about two years, has returned to Bella Coola. Mr. Teebay preceded her arrival by a few months. Mrs. Teebay with her children has established herself at the family residence in the town. Mr. Teebay is away for the summer serving as engineer on the Dominion patrol launch Merlin at Rivers Inlet.

Mrs. S. Gledhill has also been away for a similar length of time, but the advantages of Bella Coola are so many that she as well as many others find that this is a place preferable to most others. She departed immediately on her arrival for Mr. Gledhill's ranch at the Crossing.

Mrs. R. Holte has been away for a few months stay at Vancouver, but is back presumably for good.

Earl Stoessiger had made a two weeks' business trip to Portland, Oregon. He reports that Canada is advertising in United States for men to come and work on the farms in the prairie provinces. It seems that no man who is able and willing to work need remain idle any longer.

Geo. H. Bennett, the genial representative of the wholesale grocery house, Leeson, Dickie, Gross & Co. of Vancouver, has spent the week in town and at Hagensborg selling the local trade all the groceries it will need until next time he makes us a call. He celebrated Empire Day with us and distinguished himself as the easy victor in every athletic contest in which he took part. He certainly could jump.

C. W. Homer, the assessor and collector for the district, was busy last week appraising the value of Bella Coola property. He remarked that from his point of view at least our valley had none of the symptoms of the hard times. He left on Sunday for Prince Rupert.

Walter and Frank Ratcliff, who might be said to hold the portion of the thin edge of the wedge of civilization in that their farms are located some seventy miles and more up the valley at Stillwater, left for a well earned visit to friends and relations in Oregon. Needless to say they will return.

Dr. W. J. Quinlan, we are glad to relate, has received the appointment of postmaster and custom officer at Ocean Falls.

While we congratulate the doctor on his appointment we like to add that in view of his undoubted ability and the faithful services he has rendered the Conservative party he deserves the appointment.

Empire Day Celebration a Success.

One of the most enjoyable Empire Day's ever celebrated at Bella Coola has come and gone. While the number of visitors from the adjoining places were not as large as on many occasions those who did come and the population of the valley which attended were unanimous in declaring that the celebration was a success.

The weather throughout the day was perfect, with a cloudless sky and warm breezes wafted from the bay. The people by nearly all sorts of conveyances except aeroplanes began to arrive on the grounds quite early in the forenoon. Among those present were seen visitors from the logging camps along the inlet, from the canneries at Kimsquit and from the interior. It would require more space than we can spare to mention by name the many who make Empire Day the one occasion of the year to pay Bella Coola a visit, but yet we cannot refrain from mentioning Charles Draney, the cannery manager, and Mrs. Draney of Kimsquit, who, as far as memory goes, have graced our valley with their presence every Empire Day since its celebration was first began at Bella Coola.

Geo. Turner of Kleena Kleen, in the far off Chilcotin, manages to make his annual visit to our town to fall in on that day and this year was no exception, he arriving with his pack train on the 23rd. B. F. Norton, the itinerant photographer, is another regular visitor, who combines business with pleasure on these occasions. He was busy all day taking pictures of the various features of the celebration.

But there were many who in former years have taken prominent part in such and similar proceedings, who this year were conspicuous by their absence. These were they who had responded to the country's call to go to war. They were absent, but they celebrated the day in a manner even more acceptable than they at home; in the camps of British Columbia and of England and on the battlefields in Europe.

As was perfectly proper and in accordance with the spirit which should distinguish the the national holiday, the celebration was made the occasion to collect funds for the Red Cross Society and the Patriotic Fund.

The ladies of the town with the assistance of some of the more fortunate of the male persuasion, were active all day in the pursuit of this worthy object, using means which were so attractive and in some cases so indispensable that the most wary of the crowd became easy victims. Conspicuous among these enterprises was the lunch counter, where the married ladies ruled and the perspiring males were the hewers of wood, the carriers of water, the makers of coffee and the willing workers in general.

At the exigencies of the rush of getting this account in print it is not possible at this moment to give the different methods of obtaining money in the order of their size financially and in swelling the treasury; we chronicle them somewhat haphazardly.

The young ladies conducted a stand where refreshing drinks and fruits were dispensed and where customers found that money could not be dispensed with. It did a land office business.

W. Gallienne and Frank Strain made themselves noticed both by their shouting and their appearance in calling attention to their numerous nigger dolls arranged in tiers. At these the venturesome were invited with voice and trumpet to show their ability to throw straight balls. For every doll hit the victor had his choice of a prize, either a cigar, a banana or an orange. It may be noted in passing that both Mr. Gallienne and Mr. Strain had improved their ordinary looks considerably for the occasion by blackening their faces and we venture the opinion that the final results will show that the feature of the day conducted by them proved another of the financial successes.

Attractive young ladies with the assistance of a trained persuader, in the person of a commercial traveller, canvassed the crowd selling lottery tickets right under the nose of the provincial constable, the vigilant upholder of the law. They were not caught and realized a large sum.

Two of our prominent citizens used their joint, weighty influences in persuading people to order and pay for badges of the Red Cross Society and Patriotic Fund. Their influence proved effective and as a result we expect in due course to see every individual in Bella Coola decorated with one or the other or both of these badges.

In the short time at the disposal of the committee on sports since its organization, it had accomplished a great deal more than could have been expected. The contests started in the forenoon and occupied the attention the whole day, except during the noon hour. At noon the refreshment stands sustained a strong attack, but the ladies in charge were equal to the emergency and served all comers with wholesome food at low prices and with neatness, efficiency and despatch. After the meal had been disposed off, C. Carlson delivered the speech of the day, a synopsis of which space forbids to give. The result of the contests were as follows:

Indian pony race—1st, W. Davis; 2nd, J. Edgar.

Mile race (men's)—1st, T. Levelton; 2nd, J. Kelly.

Half-mile race (boys 10-15)—1st, Raymond Levelton; 2nd, L. Mack.

Girls (10-15) 50 yards race—1st, Margaret Fougner; 2nd, Mabel Widsten.

High jump—1st, T. Levelton; 2nd, G. H. Bennett.

Children up to 10 years—1st, John Fredland; 2nd, Dean Brynildsen.

Thread-the-Needle race—1st, O. Fosbak; 2nd, T. Levelton.

Indian Bicycle race—1st, S. Moody; 2nd L. Goose.

Men's hundred yards dash—1st, T. Levelton; 2nd, J. Kelly.

Married ladies race—1st, Mrs. T. Saugstad; 2nd, Mrs. T. Engebritson.

Running broad jump—1st, G. H. Bennett; 2nd, G. Jacobs.

Indian pie race—1st, P. Pollard; 2nd, A. Edwards.

The program concluded with a native dance by the Indian women who, dressed in their full regalia, added the finishing touch to the proceedings. The festivities ended with a dance at the Bella Coola Hotel.

The net receipts of the day were—$192.50.

Squinas, a chief among the Stick Indians at Anaham Lake, was caught in a state of intoxication by the constable last week. For this breach of good behavior our distinguished visitor was sent to the "skookum house" by the Indian agent, T. Fougner, for five days.

Church Notice

Sunday School - 10:45 a. m.
Church Service - 7:30 p. m.

Mr. C. Carlson will conduct the service.

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"Salus populi suprema est lex."

SATURDAY, MAY 27, 1916.

The Conservatives Idea of "Fair Play."

It is a wonder that a people quoted for its fondness for "fair play" are able to stand unconcerned and watch the farcical proceedings enacted at what is termed the legislative investigation at Victoria. Here are two parties contending for the mastery of the administration of the province at the next election, and in the endeavor to secure control are accusing each other of wrong doing. In the matter of ascendancy in this strife the Liberals have had the advantage in being able to prove to the hilt charges of extravagance and mal-administration against the Conservative rule. But the Conservative machine was not to be caught napping and therefore in order to detract public attention from their own misdoings inaugurated charges of "vote plugging" against the Liberals; the investigation of which is now going on at Victoria and it must be noted is entirely in control of one of the contending parties, the party whose very existence as a factor in the direction of provincial affairs are at stake and as they believe rests on their ability to prove their charges. When, through circumstantial evidence it is attempted to fasten the guilt upon a defendant in court it is considered very important that an adequate motive for the crime be adduced.

In the case of "vote plugging" the motive is said to be to carry the election. That is certainly a strong motive, especially as conditions are at present in our province. But was it necessary at this time to resort to any underhanded means to accomplish this desirable result? Every unbiassed, intelligent observer of the political situation in the province was aware that there was seething discontent with the government among the masses throughout the whole province. People were thoroughly roused from former lethargy in regard to the political affairs. The pinch of hard times together with the government's responsibility had accomplished in British Columbia what in our experience is accomplished everywhere: a desire for a change in government. And that the Liberals under the circumstances should resort to illegal means to bring about inevitable results is beyond our simple comprehension.

But the unreasonablenss of the act charged to the Liberals does not stop the Conservative committee to gravely assume the position of judge, jury and prosecutors, and to pass upon the alleged guilt of a party whom it is vital to them to find guilty. This is indeed "fair play" with a vengeance.

At this writing it seems that one of the tactics to be used by the Conservative court, along with others equally unfair, is to debar the Liberals from bringing in witnesses for their defense; by protracting the examination of the witnesses on their own side of the case until the dissolution of the legislature and thus leave the whole case in the air; with all the charges submitted and no defense reached.

It is our belief that the strong, good common sense of the voters will rise equal to the occasion and chase from position men who are guilty of practices so wholly unfair and mean.

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A Real Issue.

It is a good sign in these days of mutual recriminations between the two great political parties that the dust raised in the turmoil is not able to blind the eyes of all to the real issues of the day.

The Prince Rupert Empire, a journal which has supported Wm. Manson and the provincial administration in the past, is showing signs of lessening loyalty to the powers that be. In a late issue it complains of the continual exodus of settlers from the district tributary to Prince Rupert and very pointedly states that the demands made by the settlers for rectification of disadvantages under which they were placed and which were approved of by the Conservative Association, were made light of by the government and nothing was done for their relief. The country is awakening to the fact that the land policy of our business government is bearing its legitimate fruits, to the detriment of the development of the country.

It is not only the opposition who criticizes the suicidal land policy adopted by the government and which can be only compared with its equally meritorious railway policy, but also men who have been its supporters and defenders.

Mr. Hayward, member of the legislature and the most capable man on the agricultural commission, stated not long ago that the level parts of the province had been handed over to the speculators while the hills were left for the actual settlers.

It is only shortsighted statesmen who pursue such policies for the development of the country. And right here let us point out that it is not wholly to be wondered at that the province is the victim of misrule in this respect. There has been a lawyer at the head of the department of agriculture, another lawyer at the head of the department of lands, and what these city chaps know about lands and farming and their relation to the upbuilding of the province is not of much practical value and events have abundantly proven that their administration of these departments has in material respects been disastrous to our interests.

Anyone who is familiar with the great difficulties a settler on wild bush lands has to contend with would know that he cannot afford to have the government add to these difficulties by turning over the lands to speculators for them to exact fictitious prices from the settler.

In a heavily timbered country like British Columbia it would be the better statesmanship for the government to pay a bounty to the settler for every acre he was able to bring under cultivation. It is our belief that the government must sooner or later adopt a policy on more liberal lines to to the settlers before the land will be brought under cultivation at the rate which the situation requires.

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Millions Illegally Paid Out.

The opposition members of the legislature have discovered that the goverment has made itself liable to criminal prosecution for paying unearned money to the P. & G. E. Railway. H. C. Brewster, in accordance with the rules for instituting such proceedings against the government, applied to the attorney-general to start the criminal proceedings against the guilty parties. Unnecessary to relate, the attorney-general refused to do his duty on the ground that while he admitted the wrong-doing, he thought it justified because if the government had not handed out the money entrusted to its keeping, a lot of men would have lost their jobs and that had to be avoided during these hard times.

In the fancied security of its power the government has even, on its own admission, committed acts liable to criminal prosecution and still they expect the people to retain them in service.

Well, we will see.

At the time when it was decided to aid the P. & G. E. Railway in order to divert the business of the north to the southern metropolis the people were assured by our highly salaried servants, who are supposed to take care of our interests, that the men who were building the railroad were multi-millionaires and thus amply able to fulfill all their obligations, such as finish the railroad, pay the interest and operate it without any further aid from the government.

But our friends, or their friends rather, in power when the hard times came took pity on the poor multi-millionaires and furnished, illegally, the people's money to pay the wages incurred in building the railroad.

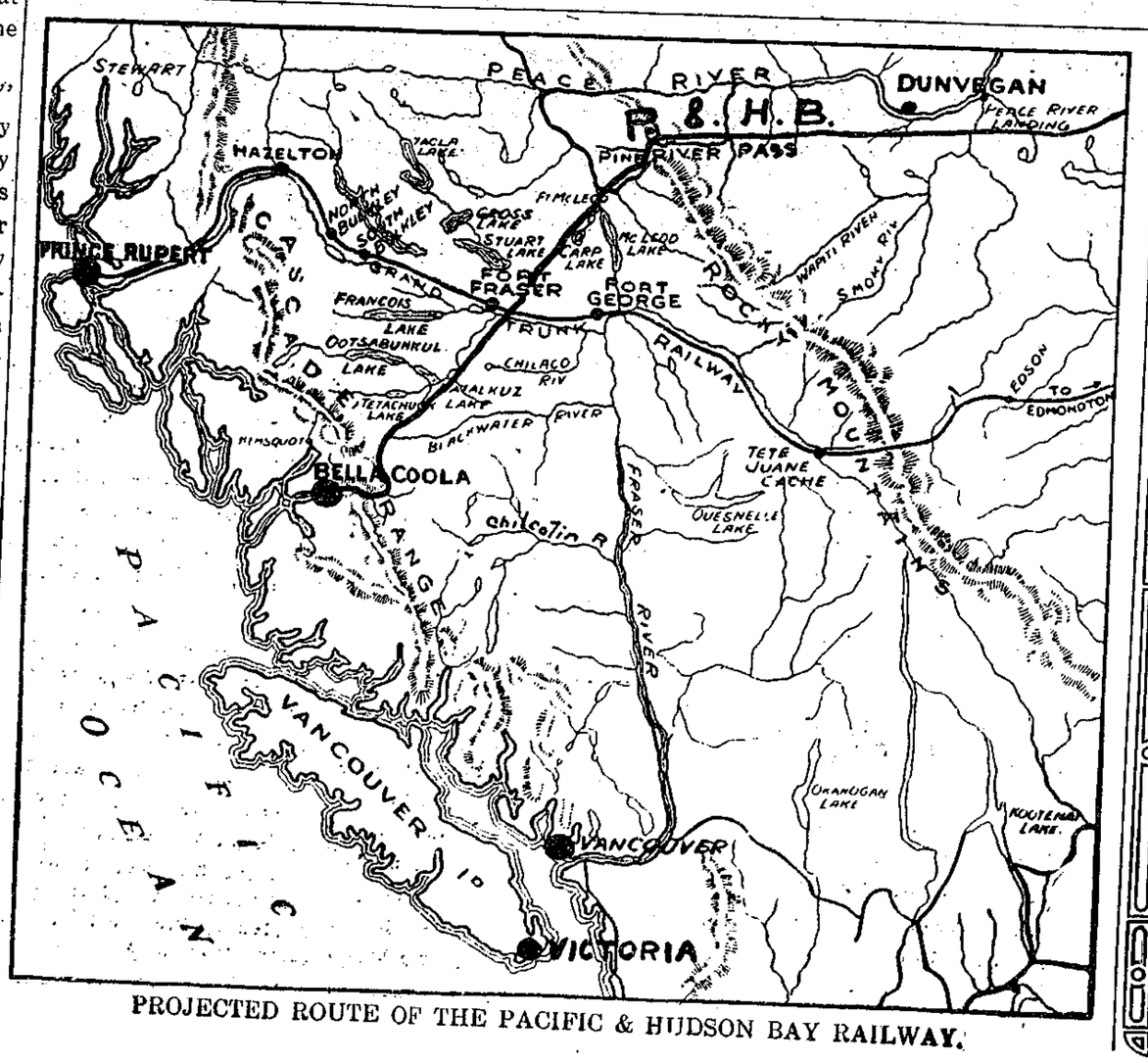
It is high time the pockets of the poor tax payers of the province be taken into consideration to some extent too.

CHAS. W. D. CLIFFORD, DEAD.

Chas. W. D. Clifford, one of the best known pioneers of British Columbia and for years a resident of the Skeena country, passed away two weeks ago at the family residence, 1646 Beach Avenue, Vancouver.

He was born in England and came to British Columbia in 1862 and attracted by the gold rush went to Cariboo. In 1888 he accepted the post of Hudson Bay manager at Port Simpson. In 1898 he entered provincial politics and served two terms in the legislature.

During his term of offi[illegible] proved a good friend to [illegible] struggling community of [illegible] Coola and secured durin[illegible] comparatively stringent st[illegible] provincial finances subst[illegible] appropriations for the de[illegible] ment of the settlement. [illegible] cent years he had devoted [illegible] self almost exclusively to [illegible] after his mining interests i[illegible] northern part of the prov[illegible] He enjoyed good health a[illegible] up to a few weeks ago.



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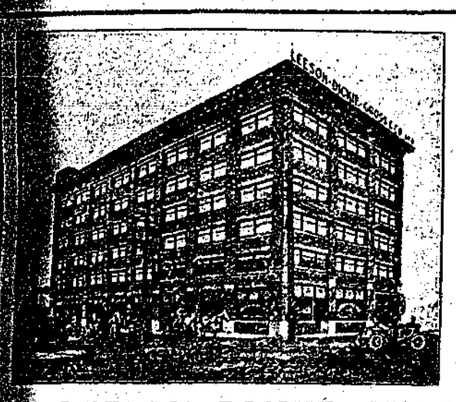
Unnecessary Change.

Our provincial government does not in many instances show the appreciation due to old, faithful and efficient servants, Bella Coola has just now a case in proof of this statement.

We had up till this season a fire warden who had held the position since the inauguration of the present system of fire protection and seemed to give entire satisfaction. But the government in its wisdom thought inexpedient to have him superseded by an untried, inexperienced man.

That such is not according to business principles is unnecessary to state and yet our government prides itself upon its business ability and methods. We quote the following from an authority on the subject:

"Because of lack of field supervision, more money is wasted in fire protection today than is used economically. Fire wardens are nearly all temporary men, and if one does not try to keep the good men from year to year, one cannot get the results desired. In the first fire protection services of Canada, far more wardens were wasting money than were making good use of it. Unless we have good permanet supervision of fire protection and have the same men as permanent rangers year after year we will not get the good results because we have large areas to protect with very small sums of money. —McMillan."



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"The answer to this question must be as widespread as the Empire. The United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland will have to become sober; so will the oversea Dominions; so will all the Crown Colonies; so will all the naval stations, trading posts, police headquarters; all the places even the minutest over which the British Monarch reigns and the British Government rules and the British Flag waves. The penalty for continued self indulgence will be the imperilment of British civilization, the forfeiture of British economic pre-eminence and the irreparable loss of British moral and political influence on the direction and rapidity of human civilization. As unprecedented as this war will be its unparalleled results. A new world in the most significant and sobering sense of that term will emerge with the coming peace and that is near enough to serve as a motive for honest self examination and resolute action." —Toronto Globe.

Britain Must Go Dry.

In these times when the economical aspects assume so very large proportions it is interesting to note what one of the leading journals in the United States (The Independent, New York,) asserts would be the benefits accruing to Britain if she would go "dry."

"Their (the British) drink bill for last year was $909,790,000, and probably they are now spending a billion dollars a year on something which many people in the United States and England manage to get along without. The war has cost Great Britain about $7,500,000,000. If we subtract from this the loans to other countries, which will presumably be repaid, and the money spent on feeding the soldiers, who would have to be fed and clothed anyhow, though not so well as in times of peace, we should have left, using the estimate of Sir George Paish, a net loss to the country of about $2,500,000,000. If then, Great Britain should go dry, as Russia has, its total war losses could be paid up within the next three years, not allowing anything for the gain in industrial efficiency and the saving from the crime and impaired health which incidentally results from the consumption of a billion dollars' worth of liquor a year.

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Each application must be accompanied by a fee of $5 which will be refunded if the rights applied for are not available, but not otherwise. A royalty shall be paid on the merchantable output of the mine at the rate of five cents per ton.

The person operating the mine shall furnish the Agent with sworn returns accounting for the full quantity of merchantable coal mined and pay the royalty thereon. If the coal mining rights are not being operated, such returns should be furnished at least once a year.

The lease will include the coal mining rights only, but the lessee may be permitted to purchase whatever available surface rights may be considered necessary for the working of the mine at the rate of $10.00 an acre.

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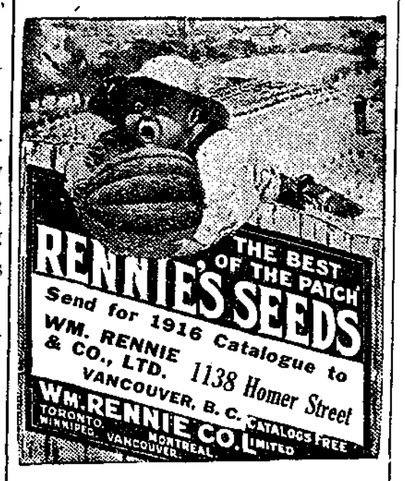

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I have in mind a very successful farmer who works two farms lying about a mile apart. The outlying one being too far distant to haul manure to it, the fertility is kept up by ploughing down green crops. For example, a ten-acre field was sown at the rate of two bushels to the acre with peas, which on reaching full growth were ploughed down. The land was rolled, cultivated and harrowed thoroughly, after which it was sown to wheat. The following season he threshed four hundred and twenty bushels of marketable grain that tested sixty-three pounds to the bushel.

The green crop to be plowed under, in order to obtain the best results, should be left standing until matured. At that stage of its growth it contains the maximum amount of fertility and will not sour the soil, as it is apt to do if plowed under at an earlier stage.

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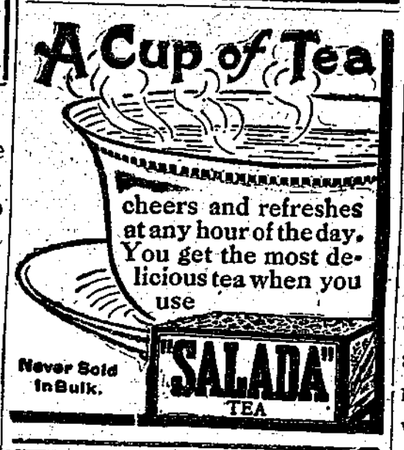

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