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PEOPLE OF RUSSIA ARE TO DECIDE AS TO FORM OF NEW GOVERNMENT OF THEIR LAND

Grand Duke Michael Says He Will Ascend Throne Only If People, Through Medium of Constitutional Assembly, Signify Desire He Should Do So

London, March 17.—Grand Duke Michael has accepted the throne of Russia from Ex-Emperor Nicholas conditionally upon the consent of the Russian people, according to a statement received here to-day from the semi-official Russian news agency.

The statement follows:

"Grand Duke Michael Alexandrovitch, in accepting the throne from his brother, declares that he does so only with the consent of the Russian people, who by a plebiscite should establish a new form of government and new fundamental laws."

The declaration made by the Grand Duke on his acceptance of the throne as given by the news agency reads as follows:

"The heavy responsibility has come to me at the voluntary request of my brother, who has transferred the Imperial throne to me during a period of warfare which is accompanied with unprecedented popular disturbances.

"Moved by the thought which is in the minds of the entire people, that the good of the country is paramount, I have adopted the firm resolution to accept the supreme power only if this be the will of our great people, who by a plebiscite organized by their representatives in a constitutional assembly shall establish a form of government and new fundamental laws for Russian state."

Will of People.
"Consequently, invoking the benediction of our Lord, I urge all the citizens of Russia to submit to the Provisional Government established upon the initiative of the Duma and invested with fully plenary powers, until such time, which will follow with as little delay as possible, as the constituents' assembly, on a basis of universal, direct, equal and secret suffrage, shall by its decision as to the new form of government, express the will of the people."

A dispatch received direct from Petrograd last night, filed at 5:30 p.m., Petrograd time, said that Emperor Nicholas had abdicated in favor of Grand Duke Michael, and that at 2:30 o'clock yesterday afternoon the Grand Duke himself had abdicated, thus bringing the Romanoff dynasty to an end. The foregoing dispatch, which is from the Petrograd telegraphic agency, a semi-official institution, was sent from Petrograd to-day.

Advices direct from Petrograd yesterday said there had been some difference of opinion between the Duma leaders and the representatives of the workmen. The latter wished to leave undecided the question of the form of the new government until after the holding of a constitutional assembly, whereas the Duma group, fearing dangers to the country in the absence of a definite government, had put forward the programme of a regency under the Grand Duke Michael.

The qualification which Grand Duke Michael is reported to have placed on his acceptance of the throne indicates that it has been decided to erect a temporary central authority so that there may be no diversion of the country's energies in prosecuting the war, but that at the same time the ultimate decision has been left with the people.

Nicholas's Manifesto.
"Petrograd, March 17.—The following is the text of the Imperial manifesto in which the Russian Emperor announced his abdication and that of his son:

"We, Nicholas II, by the Grace of God, Emperor of all the Russias, Czar of Poland and Grand Duke of Finland, etc., make known to all our faithful subjects that in the day of the great struggle against a foreign foe who has been striving for three years to enslave our country God has wished to send to Russia a new and painful trial. Interior troubles threaten to have a fatal repercussion on the final outcome of the war. The destinies of Russia and the honor of our heroic army, the happiness of the people and all the future of our dear Fatherland, require that the war be prosecuted at all costs to a victorious end. The cruel enemy is making his last effort and the moment is near when our valiant army, in concert with those of our glorious allies, will definitely chastise the foe.

Closest Union.
"In these decisive days in the life of Russia we believe our people should have the closest union and organization of all their forces for the realization of speedy victory. For this reason, in accord with the Duma of the Empire, we

ENEMY'S PLAN UPSET BY THE REVOLUTION

On Offensive Germans Would Face United Russia, American Experts Say

Washington, March 16.—Army men believe the Russian revolution came just in time to avert a great military disaster. Studies of the situation on the various European fronts led to the recent conclusion by experts of the General Staff that the next German blow would be struck either against Russia or Italy, and probably both. It seemed almost certain that Russia would be attacked, because the Russian supplies had been retarded and because the intrigues in the high circles at Petrograd made it likely that the resistance would not be wholehearted.

This drive against Russia was expected by the Germans to force a separate peace, the army experts believe. Russia was to be promised restitution of much captured territory—possibly even the cession of Constantinople. Germany would then be released from the food blockade and with one enemy less could redouble her efforts on the other fronts.

The offensive against Russia unquestionably would have been launched within another month. Before the end of the summer the Germans hoped Russia would be eliminated. But the sudden and complete overthrow of the "dark forces" makes it doubtful that it will even be attempted, and makes it seem certain that the German effort will be solely against Italy.

Ablest Leader.
The selection of Grand Duke Nicholas as commander of the Russian armies means that he will be the virtual dictator of Russia, according to the view held in many quarters here. He is regarded by American army officers who knew him at the time of the Russo-Japanese war as the ablest military man in Russia. He has the confidence of the public, but he is regarded as not entirely in sympathy with the new order of things.

He is violently anti-German, however, and there is no danger, it is declared, that he will do anything to weaken Russia in the war. On the contrary he will apply his military genius to a vigorous and effective campaign. But after the war, or as soon as victory for the Russian arms is assured, he will not be content, it is prophesied, to see the government in other hands, but will erect a government of his own, without a trace of foreign influence, but also without any extremes of liberalism.

Maximum Strength.
It has been no secret from army men here that the Russian strength has been sapped from within by political intrigues, and that long ago Russia would have struck her blow but for the treasonable cliques at the top of the government. From now on, with Grand Duke Nicholas at the head of the army system, it is expected that the Russian campaigns will be fought with the maximum effectiveness.

BOMB MYSTERY.
Boston, March 17.—The mystery of the bomb explosion at the courthouse here yesterday was as deep as ever to-day. One of the two killed is known to have been the janitor of the building; but the other body has not been identified.

have considered it desirable to abdicate the throne of Russia and lay aside our supreme power. Not wishing to be separated from our loved son, we leave our heritage to our brother, the Grand Duke Michael Alexandrovitch, blessing his advent to the throne of Russia. We hand over the Government to our brother in full union with the representatives of the nation who are seated in the Legislative Chambers, taking this step with an inviolable oath in the name of our well-beloved country. We call on all faithful sons of the Fatherland to fulfill their sacred patriotic duty in this painful moment of national trial and to aid our brother and the representatives of the nation in bringing Russia into the path of prosperity and glory. May God aid Russia."

HOW UNITED STATES FEELING GERMANY'S SUBMARINE SCHEME
Washington, March 17.—The foreign trade of the United States decreased approximately \$190,000,000 during February, the first month of Germany's unrestricted submarine warfare. In a statement issued to-day the Department of Commerce gives the decrease in exports as \$17,822,659 and the decrease in imports \$42,229,575.

MANITOBA MINISTER OF PUBLIC WORKS COMING
Winnipeg, March 17.—Hon. Thomas H. Johnson, Minister of Public Works, of Manitoba, accompanied by Mrs. Johnson, left for the Pacific Coast last night. In Victoria he will meet the touring party of Manitoba legislators, who will be the guests of the British Columbia Legislature next week.

INFORMS WASHINGTON OFFICIALLY OF CZAR'S SURRENDER OF THRONE

Washington, March 17.—A dispatch from American Minister Morris, at Stockholm, to-day informed the State Department that the Czar of Russia had abdicated but had not been arrested. Mr. Morris has been instructed to send all available information.

GERMANS ARE DRIVEN FROM BAPAUME, ACHJET, TRANSLOY; ROYE SALIENT GIVING WAY

WHERE BRITISH ARE FORCING GERMANS BACK IN FRANCE



The above map indicates the approximate position of the new British line in the Aisne-Somme region as a result of the capture of Achiet-le-Petit (marked Achiet on the map) Bapaume and Le Transloy.

RUSSIAN REVOLUTION IS THE FINAL BLOW IN SHATTERING OF GERMANY'S CHERISHED DREAMS OF DOMINATION

New York, March 17.—(By Frank H. Simonds.)—The first thought in every American mind on reading the news of the Russian revolution was entirely and necessarily a thought of the meaning of this great event, not in terms of world politics, but in terms of world humanity. That many millions of men and women living in one of the most despotic of nations should achieve democracy and liberty was a thing appealing immediately to the enthusiasm and to the imagination of the American people, and for us all this aspect doubtless will remain the more important.

Yet it is not less necessary at this time to think of the political effect of an emancipated Russia upon the destinies of Europe. It is well to recall again the fact, so frequently forgotten, that this war had its origin, as well as its immediate occasion, in the conflict between the Teuton and the Slav, and a Russia liberated and democratic must necessarily be the champion of the Slav races in the future, as an autocratic Russia never could be.

Their Dream.
German autocracy, like German world politics, dreamed of fastening its system upon the Czech, the Pole, the Slovak, the Slovene, the Serb and the Bulgarian. That great Mittel-Europa of German dreams was to be in fact not only a central European state in which the Teutonic supremacy would be assured, but a state in which the Teuton would make use of millions of Slavs as his slaves and his servants, his "cannon fodder" and his industrial machines. The German statesmen have long perceived that unless Germany could expand, unless Germany could divide the Slav world and bind the Poles and the Austrians as well as the Balkan Slavs to her chariot, the inevitable expansion of Slavdom might some day eliminate Germany as a world power. Considerable as was the annual increase of German population, that of Russia was growing by leaps

and bounds, and the hour when Russia should organize herself was recognized by thoughtful Germans as the hour which would see the extinction of German dreams of world power.

False Calculation.
Germany struck in 1914, when Russia had succeeded in building in Serbia a temporary Slav barrier against Teutonic expansion to the Near East. Berlin calculated that Russia was still too weak, too unorganized, too divided to offer that resistance which a few decades later would be beyond the Teutonic resources to stem.

The Germans foresaw an inevitable conflict between the Teuton and the Slav. They foresaw that if the Slavs were united Germany would not only be outnumbered but her pathway to the Near East would be barred forever along the Danube and her eastern marches on the lower Volga threatened. She foresaw that Bohemia would become a Slav citadel in the heart of Germany and that in the longer future Germany herself would be relegated to the position of a secondary power in a world which belonged to the Slavs, to the Anglo-Saxon.

"Place in Sun."
Beneath all else this war was a German war to assure for Germany a position in the world of the future commensurate with that held by Germany now. Her "place in the sun" could be assured only if Russia were turned

Haig's Men Entered Burning Town of Bapaume This Morning After Stiff Fighting; Pressure by French Is Straightening Out Roye Sector

London, March 17.—Bapaume, the centre of the German defences on the Ancre River front, fell into British hands this morning. Simultaneously Achiet-le-Petit, to the northwest of Bapaume, and Le Transloy, a town almost the same distance to the southeast, were entered by British troops, according to press dispatches from army headquarters.

Bapaume was set on fire by the Germans before they departed, which occurred only after stiff fighting. The fall of Bapaume had been anticipated for some time, and the capture of Achiet-le-Petit and Le Transloy were looked on as a necessary consequence of the event.

The British public, however, hardly had hoped for such a quick result of the continued British pressure following the German retirement, as it was believed the Germans would make stubborn resistance on the Bapaume ridge so as to enable them to retire from the Arras salient, which now becomes more pronounced than ever.

Apparently the British, following up the advantage gained in the recent operations, prevented this being done and as a result a German retreat on a much larger scale is expected by military writers.

Details of the operations, with the number of prisoners and the amount of booty taken are anxiously awaited, as this will dispose of the question whether the Germans are making a "strategic retirement," or as the British writers hold, are being driven from their positions by British gun fire and the never-ending pressure of the British infantry.

It is believed here the new advance of the British brings the Germans on the western front almost to the edge of disaster, for the retreats from the Arras salient and from the positions south of Peronne with the British in control of so many of the main roads will be far from an easy operation.

Reported by Reuters.
London, March 17.—Bapaume, on the Ancre front, has been captured by British troops, Reuters agency announces. Reuters' correspondent at British headquarters in France telegraphs that the towns of Le Transloy and Achiet-le-Petit also fell into the hands of the British.

"British troops entered Bapaume this morning after stiff fighting," Reuters' correspondent telegraphs. "The place was in flames, the Germans evidently having made all plans for setting fire to it when forced to retreat." "British troops are reported to be beyond the town."

Advance by French.
Paris, March 17.—French troops advanced last night north of the Avre and between the Avre and the Oise, making progress on the Roye salient over a front of 20 kilometres (13 miles) and to a depth at some points of

DIRECT OUTCOME OF EVENTS IN RUSSIA

Bethmann-Hollweg's Speech; Believed German Junkers Fear Future Developments

London, March 17.—Chancellor von Bethmann-Hollweg's speech before the Prussian Diet, promising liberal concessions, over which the German press waxes enthusiastic, is regarded in this country as a direct outcome of the Russian revolution.

"If the Russian people," says the Manchester Guardian, "win and establish their liberty upon an impregnable basis, then they will have given a new aspect to civilization. Already the first workings of the revolution are visible in the speech of the German Chancellor, in which he promises an internal political reorganization to Germany and a less liberal franchise to Prussia."

"Already an anxious question faces Germany, the Germany of the junkers. How can they hope to stand and face the German people, who are shedding their blood and their treasure for reaction against liberty? The revolution in Russia is the deadliest blow to the war morale of Germany yet struck. Britain hails new Russia with higher hope and surer confidence in the future, not only of the war, but of the world."

"Several of the crew jumped out and were crushed to death. The others were burned."

ZEPPELIN BROUGHT DOWN BY FRENCH

L-39 Destroyed Near Compiegne; All Members of Crew Were Killed

Paris, March 17.—Zeppelin L-39 was shot down in flames this morning near Compiegne. All of its crew were lost.

The zeppelin was sighted shortly before dawn and was reached by French anti-aircraft guns at a height of more than two miles. The airship caught fire and the wreckage, some of the crew who had jumped, and the burned bodies of the others fell outside Compiegne.

The following official statement was given out:

"Zeppelin L-39 was brought down at 5:30 this morning in the region of Compiegne by anti-aircraft artillery while flying over the town at a height of 2,500 metres. It remained flying in the air for a moment and then fell, striking a garden wall and breaking in two.

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RUSSIA AWAITING DECISION OF ARMY

Future of Great Country in Hands of 6,000,000 Men at Front

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Although it had been apparent from the beginning of the revolution that the removal of the monarch was the inevitable end, the actual fact came as an overwhelming surprise to the populace. Within four hours after the abdication of the Grand Duke Michael, who automatically became regent on the passing of the Emperor Nicholas, the crowds in the streets had secured ladders and began to tear the imperial insignia from the winter palace and the front of buildings on the main thoroughfares. In a short time all the emblems of the old empire literally lay in the dust.

Roar of Cheers.

In anticipation of the news, bigger crowds than ever filled the halls and grounds of the Tauris Palace, awaiting official confirmation by the Duma committee of the rumors which had excited the people to fever heat dur-

50,000 TO RELEASE TROOPS FOR FRONT

Enlistment in Canada Will Be Voluntary, Ottawa Has Decided

Ottawa, March 17.—The voluntary enlistment of 50,000 men in the militia forces of Canada, to release a like number of overseas troops for active service, is the general plan of the military authorities to increase Canada's fighting force in France and at the same time provide an adequate force for purposes of home defence. The details of the plan, which have been maturing for some weeks past, were announced last night by Sir Edward Kemp, Minister of Militia, who emphasized the fact that the scheme does not involve conscription in any form.

The working out of the details of the home defence proposals will be left largely to Col. C. Newburn, of Hamilton, who has been given the rank of major-general, and the officers of the Headquarters Staff.

During March staffs will be organized, and the men who enlist in April will be trained two evenings and one afternoon a week. They will receive 50 cents every time they parade. In May the home guard forces will be sent to camp for the summer. They will receive \$1 a day, or ten cents less than members of the overseas forces, while the separation allowance for married men will be \$18 a month, or \$2 a month less than in the case of men who join the expeditionary force.

Sir Edward Kemp states that it had been decided to confine the enlistments to men between the ages of 18 and 45, because older men cannot stand the strain of military training. Both infantry and artillery forces will be raised, and the old militia names of regiments will be adhered to. In the case of men engaged in the making of munitions, local tribunals will be established to decide whether or not they should be permitted to enlist.

Authority to raise the home defence force is not derived from the Militia Act, but the power is taken by the Government in a special order-in-council under the authority granted by the War Measures Act.

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COWICHAN NOW BOASTS ARTS AND CRAFTS CLUB

Home Production Will Be Encouraged; Address by Manual Training Director.

Duncan, March 17.—At this week's meeting of the Cowichan Women's Institute the president, Mrs. Blackwood-Wileman, reported that an arts and crafts club had been formed under the auspices of the Institute, with Mr. Burchett as president. Mr. Blackwood-Wileman said the Institute will try to encourage home production and find markets for the work of the members.

A motion with regard to daylight saving was turned down after causing some amusing discussion, and one regarding the payment of delegates sent from the Institute was passed.

Mr. Kyle, school director of manual training and industries, gave an exceedingly interesting talk on these subjects. Mr. Kyle laid great stress on the value of hand work in training the mind, and of the especial value of this form of education in training children mentally slow. Instances were given of what other countries were doing, and the need that Canada should be abreast of the times and get the maximum value out of her schools. The natural products of the province should be manufactured in the province. The raw products should not be sent away, and the boys and girls of the province must be trained to face the competition with boys and girls in other countries, or in the future this country would be obliged to take a second place.

The lecture was illustrated with views of work done in these lines in other countries.

At the linen shower held by the local King's Daughters to replace that burned in the recent fire there was a most generous response. Towels, sheets, pillowslips, table linen, hospital nightgowns and babies' garments were well supplied and about \$50 in cash. Various entertainments and much appreciated donations are helping to replace the loss.

At a meeting of the Girl Guides on Tuesday, the 20th inst., at 4 o'clock, Mrs. Leather, P.R.H.S., will give a talk on gardening in the Odd Fellows' Hall. Other girls interested are being invited by the Guides to come to the lecture.

To Speak at Duncan.

Dr. Seymour Hadwen, of the Dominion Scientific Research Department, who is stationed at the experimental farm at Anasiss, B. C., will give a lecture before the Field Naturalists on Tuesday evening next on Animal Parasites. Besides being of interest from the naturalists' point of view, it will have a practical interest for the stock and poultry men of the district.

In the gardens here the snowdrops and crocuses are still in bloom and the Japanese is in bud and in the more favorable spots is in bloom. The wild shrubs are leafing out. Daffodils are well up and in bud and with good weather will bloom by the end of the month. March this year is considered an average one in Cowichan.

For Red Cross.

A silver shower in aid of the North Cowichan Red Cross fund was given yesterday by members of the Quamichan Lake work party and their friends at the home of Miss Hadwen, the president. About \$20 and several

PRUSSIAN DEPUTY DEcriED COURSE OF BERLIN GOVERNMENT

London, March 17.—The German submarine campaign and military despotism were denounced and the German peace offer of last December characterized as ridiculous in a stormy speech by Deputy Hoffmann, Socialist in the Prussian Diet after Chancellor von Bethmann-Hollweg had delivered his speech promising internal political reform and reform of the franchise after the war, according to a Berlin dispatch transmitted by the correspondent of the Central News at Amsterdam.

Deputy Hoffmann, after being thrice called to order, was forced to leave the Chamber.

The Hague, March 17.—The Koelische Zeitung's account of the turbulent debate in the Prussian Diet last Thursday adds some details to the speech of the Socialist leader, Adolf Hoffmann, for which he was voted into silence. The paper says that Hoffmann, amid noisy interruptions, accused highly-placed functionaries of cornering food while the poorer classes of North Germany were falling ready victims to smallpox on account of entangled vitality.

The Socialist deputy went on to declare that Germany was incurring the execration of the world through a policy of senseless provocation. The tumult increased when he denounced any idea of annexation as senseless and criminal, and the climax was reached when he stigmatized submarine warfare as a crime against international law. At this point he was shouted down and the House voted that he be no further heard.

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PLAN SETTLEMENT OF HOME RULE PROBLEM

London, March 17.—In political circles it is said that Rt. Hon. Andrew Bonar Law's declaration that the Government was ready to set up a commission to settle the Home Rule problem will be followed shortly by a definite offer to do so.

Friends of Mr. Lloyd George say he has made up his mind that the Irish question must be got rid of and that if the Nationalists reject the offer or resort to obstructive tactics a general election will follow, at which the Government will ask for a mandate to deal peremptorily with the whole Irish problem.

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MORE LAND PASSES INTO BRITISH HANDS

Occupation of Wood and Trenches on Somme Front Reported

London, March 17.—British troops in the Somme region occupied almost all of the St. Pierre-Vaast Wood and 3,000 yards of German trenches north and south of the wood, according to an official communication issued last evening, the text of which follows:

"Our advance north of the Somme continues. We now hold nearly the whole of the St. Pierre-Vaast Wood and enemy trenches for 1,000 yards south and 2,000 yards north of it.

"This morning enemy troops attacked one of our posts northeast of the Somme, but were beaten back.

"We carried out successful raids during the night on trenches near Arras, and east of Vermelles. Our troops inflicted many casualties, bombed several dugouts and secured a few prisoners.

"A number of reconnaissances were carried out successfully yesterday by our aeroplanes. Several fights occurred in the air, in the course of which four German machines were destroyed and three others driven down damaged."

French Report.

Paris, March 17.—The following official report was issued last night:

"On both sides of the Avre our troops made further progress during the day at various points on the front from Andechy to the south of Lassigny. We made prisoners.

"Between Soissons and Rheims a rather spirited artillery action took place in the region of Berry-au-Bac."

"In the Champagne we carried out a surprise attack on German trenches to the east of Butte-de-Souain. Our destructive fire shattered German organizations in Bois le Pretre.

"Nothing has been reported from the rest of the front."

A Belgian communication said:

"During the day there has been reciprocal cannonading, which was particularly violent toward the east of Ramscapelle, to the south of Dixmude and at Steenstrate."

RUSSIAN REVOLUTION IS THE FINAL BLOW IN SHATTERING OF GERMANY'S CHERISHED DREAMS OF DOMINATION

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back from her westward and southward advance and a string of Slav states depending upon Germany were erected on her frontier—states comparable to those Napoleon erected in Southern Germany in the days of his European domination.

The Slav people instinctively perceived that the question at issue was a fundamental question, a question of the liberation of the Austrian Slavs, the protection of the Serbian Slavs and the acquisition of that gateway to the warm seas so long denied, first by British and then by German veto. They accepted the war. They have now declared that the war shall be fought out.

Tremendous Possibilities.

It is too early now to forecast what will happen, but it is not too early to indicate how tremendous may be the consequences politically and racially of this Russian revolution. It may have consequences affecting the map of Europe more permanently than did the French Revolution, and affecting the Slav peoples as deeply as the Italian and German struggles for unity affected the Italian and German peoples in the last century.

The future of Germany was imperilled by the promise of a Slav awakening, but the present existence of Austria is immediately in danger. For 28,000,000 Slavs living within the Hapsburg dominions the supremacy of democracy in the great Slav state must give a new and irresistible impulse both to strike for liberty and to seek closer association with Russia. However weak the race tie may have been, the moral and spiritual tie with a democratic Russia must be strong at once, and must grow stronger.

Dream Shattered.

If the revolution in Russia should follow the course seemed to be marked out for it; if it should become as completely an expression of the will of the people as did the French Revolution, Russia will necessarily play in Austria and for the Austrian Slavs the part that France played in Italy, and for the Italians in the revolution and afterward; and the erection of independent Slav states on the Adriatic and the Danube, and in Bohemia will effectually and permanently bar German pathways to the Near East. Germany will lose her only great ally in Europe; Austria-Hungary will disappear as a state, and Germany will find herself as France found herself after the conquest of Vienna—her dream of European supremacy permanently blocked and her avenues of expansion closed by new and strong states along her frontiers.

Russia is to-day a nation of 160,000,000 people, occupying one-seventh of the surface of the earth, the greatest single potential state in the world, because her territory stretches unbroken from the Balkans to the Pacific and from the Arctic Ocean to the Black Sea. No man can calculate the numbers those frontiers will hold a century hence, but it is plain that if Russia can achieve her unity and her independence now, the mere passage of time will make a new German attack futile.

It is far too early to attempt to prophesy, but viewed even in its present state the Russian revolution promises to realize all German statesmen feared, and may prove the rock on which will be erected a permanent peace in Europe, as it may prove the ultimate and enduring barrier to all the German dreams of world empire and European domination. The world has been accustomed for years to think of the great changes to come when the day of the Slav arrived. It is hardly too much to see in what has now happened at least a first sign of the dawn of a new day.

CASUALTIES AMONG CANADIAN SOLDIERS

Ottawa, March 17.—The following casualties have been announced:

Infantry.

Killed in action—Pte. J. T. Bridgen, England; Pte. A. Mattson, England; Pte. H. Tuck, Dryden, Ont.; Pte. C. Noble, Pembroke, Ont.; Pte. C. Ratchford, Quebec; Pte. G. Roper, Toronto; Pte. J. Aulper, St. Catharines, Ont.; Cpl. H. Weatherall, Toronto; Pte. S. Argent, England; Pte. K. Armstrong, Scotland; Pte. T. Butler, Perth, Ont.; Pte. H. Cross, Vancouver; Pte. P. S. Fitzgerald, Ceylon, Saak; Pte. E. E. Clayton, Courtenay, B. C.; Pte. A. L. Drummond, Vancouver; Pte. J. Nicoll, Vancouver; Pte. J. Cavanagh, Vancouver; Pte. T. P. Woodward, Vancouver; Cpl. F. Sutcliffe, Vancouver; Pte. J. W. Drost, Vancouver; Pte. L. J. Barrett, Anselita, B. C.; Pte. J. C. Bove, Ashcroft, B. C.; Pte. N. Delesner, Pritchard, B. C.; Pte. A. C. Brown, Fairview, B. C.; Pte. J. K. Doney, Cowichan Station, B. C.; Pte. A. Gordon, Steveston, B. C.; Pte. A. Grieve, Penticton, B. C.; Pte. J. Guy, Alexandria, B. C.; Pte. R. Harker, Marpole, P. O., B. C.; Pte. R. Romes, Vancouver; Pte. E. D. Stone, Vancouver; Pte. Daniel Taylor, Ladysmith, B. C.

Missing—Pte. W. M. Kneale, Vancouver; Pte. J. MacLaren, Victoria, B. C.; Pte. M. Bell, Vancouver; Pte. N. A. Macdonald, Vancouver; Pte. W. Donnelly, Victoria, B. C.

Gas poisoning—Pte. E. Salt, New Westminster; Pte. R. A. Bindley, Vancouver.

Wounded severely—Pte. J. Burgess, New Denver, B. C.; Pte. A. L. Lissimere, Vancouver; Pte. P. S. Brown, Vancouver; Pte. Hunter Corner, Vancouver; Pte. R. S. McClure (address not known).

Wounded—Pte. W. J. Howell, North Vancouver; Pte. C. P. Clark, Vancouver; Sergt. S. Legg, Vancouver; Sergt. J. Macdonald, Vancouver; Pte. W. A. Cordon, Steveston, B. C.; Pte. A. C. Davis, Ladner, B. C.; Pte. A. Livergus, Kamloops; Pte. T. E. Richardson, General Delivery, Victoria, B. C.

Engineers.

Gas poisoning—Driver R. L. Foster, 419 Parry Street, Victoria, B. C.

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- if we could watch the thousands of emaciated children who are fed at the schools by the Belgian Relief Commission
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London, March 17.—The Government regards the production of food of greater importance at the present time than the sending of additional men to the army. Chancellor Bonar Law said yesterday in response to questions in the House of Commons that the cabinet had informed the War Office and the Board of Agriculture that this was its view.



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A RUSSIAN REPUBLIC?

Apparently the revolution in Russia has gone farther than first information led the outside world to suspect. According to some reports it has swept the Romanoff dynasty, which had ruled that vast country for the last four centuries, entirely out of existence.

Uncertainty exists regarding the attitude of the army. This, indeed, is the key to the situation, as well as to the immediate future of the war. If the six million men at the front acquiesce in the course of events there will be no trouble.

A Russian republic may be the outcome of the present state of flux. This would be a very violent transition and would cause a great deal of unrest in the country, especially after the war.

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THE SKELETON EMERGING.

The Hohenzollern backbone is in need of plenty of hot fomentations these days. A revolution in Russia which destroyed the ascendancy of the pro-Germans in Petrograd was bad enough, but the elimination of the Romanoff dynasty is a development which must have sent a veritable cataract of chills down the Kaiser's spine.

THE FRENCH ALSO ADVANCE.

The French War Office furnishes proof that the German withdrawal on "a large scale," foreshadowed by Major Morant, of the Berlin Tageblatt, a few days ago, is now actually under way.

How far the Germans will retire is a matter for conjecture. Some commentators think they will stop on what is described as the "Hindenburg Line," which is supposed to extend roughly from Lens, northeast of Arras, in a southeasterly direction through St. Quentin and La Fere to the Aisne.

An American newspaper correspondent, who has been in Germany since the war started and who came out with Gerard, publishes a fanciful story on this point. He reports an interview given by a member of the German General Staff with neutral correspondents in Berlin two days after Germany made her peace overture.

Russia she never would have made peace overtures offering "large concessions." Nor would she have antagonized the entire neutral world by proclaiming a policy of unrestricted warfare.

The occupation of Bapaume by the British was expected. It was a foregone conclusion a fortnight ago when it became evident that Sir Douglas Haig had made the Arras salient untenable to the enemy.

OUR PALACE OF FOLLY.

In his reply to the leader of the Opposition a few days ago the Premier gave us some enlightenment regarding the British Columbia building in London. The information was necessarily incomplete, because only fragmentary details are available here and the auditors who are investigating the country's finances virtually had to collect the data with a fine comb.

While the war is democratizing Russia's form of government it has had the contrary effect in England. While the authority of Russia's Parliament is being extended that of the British Parliament is being diminished.

The immediate cause of the Russian revolution was the disorganization of the transport system due largely to the necessity of supplying the huge army at the front with food and munitions.

The fact that neutral correspondents took any stock in this nonsense shows how easily they were beguiled by the German War Office.

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ances owing to inadequate distribution. That is why President Wilson is conferring with the state governors regarding the maintenance of law and order.

The All-Highest's tongue still cleaves to the roof of his mouth. And there are such interesting things happening in the world, subjects which his majesty could discuss very entertainingly indeed if he were in the humor.

The Hohenzollerns are hard put to it these days in keeping the German mind in safe channels. The failure of the submarine campaign, the German retirement on the west front, the British victories in Mesopotamia and now the Russian revolution, must be avoided.

Another spike in the wooden statue of Hindenburg. He said the Germans could hold their lines in France for thirty years if necessary and that they would hold them until the Allies came to terms.

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TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO TO-DAY. Victoria Times, March 17, 1892.

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CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH. REV. CHARLES CROUCHER. Morning: "The Touchstone of Discipleship" "Sleeping Sentinels"

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Building Permit.—A building permit has been issued to W. H. Heron, for a private garage at 88 Moss Street.

To Speak to Club.—Professor Adam Shortt has been invited to address the Canadian Club of Vancouver on Monday.

Demand Phoenix Beer. Home product. On Visit to City.—Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Fulton are in the city to-day. After retiring from the Commissionership of Lands and Works, Mr. Fulton has been practising law at Kamloops.

Truck in Service.—The test was made to-day of the old Russell car which has been converted into a motor hose and chemical wagon for No. 7 station. The Fire Chief intends to bring it into service on Monday.

Trespass Act.—The Attorney-General has acknowledged the application of the City Solicitor to have an amendment of the Trespass Act to protect unfenced lots in city municipalities, and to increase the penalty for breaches of the law, the maximum being now \$5.

Fumigate Materials.—Workers having Red Cross Work in their houses where there are measles are requested to keep same until arrangements are made to have it thoroughly fumigated. Workers should notify the branch from which the work was issued and every care should be taken to avoid carrying infection.

Mount Talmie Concert.—Mt. Talmie branch C. R. C. S. are giving a concert in aid of the branch's funds, on Thursday evening, March 22, in St. Luke's Hall at 8 o'clock. A fine eight-piece orchestra will be assisted by an orchestra leader and several of the best artists of the city.

Five Hundred and Dance.—The Lake Hill Women's Institute will give a military five hundred party and dance in the Lake Hill School on Friday, March 23, at 8 o'clock (promptly). Prizes will be given and good refreshments served. Proceeds for the Red Cross. Bus will leave corner of Yates and Broad streets at 7 o'clock, returning at 11:30 p.m.

Leaving for France.—Friends of Capt. J. A. Hinton will be interested to learn that his brother, W. P. Hinton, traffic manager of the Grand Trunk Pacific has received a letter from him dated February 18, in which he states that he is leaving the next day for France where he hopes to be able to take an active part in the present conflict. He is a member of 22nd Company Canadian Forestry Battalion.

Moving City Streets.—The City Stores Department expects to be out of the old building on Pandora Avenue in a few days, and steps are already in hand looking for the alteration of the building to accommodate the civic health department. In that case, if the Council approves the plan of the committee, the free labor bureau will go to the ground floor of the police building, these alterations being necessary preliminaries to the improvement of the market building this summer.

Was a Mistake.—In some way a statement was current at the City Hall yesterday that the application for sidewalk privileges in the brickyard district in the North End had connection with a large contract obtained by the Victoria Brick Company. Mr. Eiford, Jr., the manager, stated to-day there was no authority for the rumor that the company had secured a large order which would keep the plant busy all summer. He could not explain how the mistake arose.

Training in England.—A letter has been received from Frank Dunn, formerly sporting editor of the Times, to the effect that he is now taking his officers' training course in England, after which he hopes to go over to France with a machine gun corps. Five other Victorians are taking the course with him, namely, Corporals Brake and Hill and Privates Whitmore, Oliver and Smart. These all went to Salonica with Number 5 General Hospital under Lieut.-Col. Hart.

Brentwood Dance.—The dance in aid of the Red Cross funds given by the employees of the Saanich Division of the B. C. Electric Railway Company on Thursday evening at the Brentwood Hotel was a splendid success. Four cars were run from the city, and two from Sidney. These cars were furnished by the company and operated by the employees without expense. As Mr. Cancellor kindly arranged for the use of the Brentwood Hotel without charge the expenses were very small. The Red Cross Society will benefit from this entertainment to the extent of at least \$200. A statement of receipts and expenses will be published in due course.

St. Columba Concert.—One of the most delightful concert programmes ever given in Oak Bay district was given in St. Columba Church last evening under the direction of J. G. Brown and with Mrs. Lewis Hall, accompanist. The audience was fairly large and exceedingly enthusiastic, demanding encore after encore, no less than nine of the artists being recalled. The customary efforts of Miss Eilers and Mr. J. Walker were exceptionally well received; male quartettes by Messrs. Petrie, Ogilvy, Redman and Watson were also great favorites, and the solos by Mrs. Beasely, Mrs. Butler, Messrs. Petrie, Ogilvy and J. G. Brown were exceptionally good. Rev. R. A. McConnell presided.

Patriotic Society.—The following are among some of the recent subscriptions received by the Victoria Patriotic Aid Society: Hudson's Bay Co., \$52.50; employees, Victoria-Phoenix Brewing Co., \$57.40; employees Colonist news room, \$36.50; some employees, Union Club, \$8.50; employees-Ramsay's Machine Works, \$11; staff Union Bank, \$20; staff Bank of Toronto, \$10; staff resident architect's office, Dominion public works, \$21.50; staff district engineer's office, Dominion public works, \$15.50; staff Esquimalt graving dock, \$22.00; employees E. & N. Ry. Co., \$261.25; employees C. P. R. ticket office, \$14; employees Messrs. B. Wilson Co., \$13.50; employees Yarrow, Limited, \$105.25.

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Mock Parliament.—In the Board Room of the Belmont House at 5 o'clock on Tuesday evening next, the Mock Parliament of the Liberal Association will be held when a good attendance is looked for. Constables Join Up.—Two members of the Provincial Police Force, Constables F. D. Markland and A. D. McNeely resigned from the force two days ago to put their private affairs in order before donning the khaki in an overseas draft. Both are Vancouver men and are married. Demand Phoenix Beer. Home product. Rev. Dr. S. D. Chown, of Toronto, General Superintendent of the Methodist Church will preach in Metropolitan Church at 7.30 o'clock Sunday evening. Demand Phoenix Beer. Home product. Florence Nightingale Chapter.—The Florence Nightingale Chapter, L. O. D. E., will be in charge at the new headquarters, Arcade Building, on Monday, when the workers will devote themselves to the patriotic work of the order. Annual Wool Sale.—The directors of the Vancouver Island Flockmasters' Association of Duncan, B. C., whose president is Captain W. H. Hayward, M. P. E., have arranged to hold their second annual wool sale in July next and have issued a circular letter asking that intending shippers notify the secretary, A. C. Aitken, of their requirements.

Improvement of McCaskill Street.—An improvement of McCaskill Street, Victoria West, was urged in a letter before the Streets and Sewers Committee of Council yesterday, particularly by continuing McPherson Street through westward. The matter will be the subject of a report from the City Engineer. The same writer complained of the conditions around the old brewery at the back of Victoria West School, and this matter will have the attention of the Health Committee. Bantam Barracks Sale.—The City Council yesterday afternoon, passed a resolution authorizing the sale by auction on Monday morning by the City Treasurer of the barracks used for the B. C. Bantams. In fixing the date of the period of removal, which was set for forty days after the day of sale, Alderman Dilworth stated that the school is now advanced to do much this year with the land on which the buildings stand. Responsibility for the buildings will rest with the purchasers after Monday. Demand Phoenix Beer. Home product. Mount Chamberlin.—The Geographic Board of Canada announces that it has decided to name a splendid peak in the Canadian Rockies "Mount Chamberlin" in honor of President E. J. Chamberlin, of the Grand Trunk System. The great mountain territory in the neighborhood of the Yellowhead Pass was first thrown open to travelers by the building of the Grand Trunk Pacific's transcontinental line, which was completed under President Chamberlin's supervision. The peak is at the southern end of a massive mountain range and is surpassed only by its near neighbor Mount Robson.

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The Fifth Regiment C. G. A. Band. Assisted by Mrs. Robin Dunsmuir and Mr. T. Kelway in vocal solos, will render the following programme in the Royal Victoria Theatre next Sunday evening, commencing at 8.15 p. m.: PROGRAMME. 1. Grand Processional March—The King's Bodyguard. 2. Overture—Post and Peasant (requested). 3. Vocal Solo—The Grange in the Royal Victoria Theatre. 4. Selection—High Jinks. 5. Vocal Solo, Band Accompaniment—Let Me Be Your Aid (in French). 6. Grand Selection—Reminiscences of Yerd. 7. Vocal Solo—Silvina. 8. Round—Mrs. Robin Dunsmuir. 9. Concert—Valse—Il Balzo. 10. Arditi. 11. March—The Great Little Army. 12. God Save the King. Accompanist, Mrs. A. J. Gibson.

MEMBERS CONTRIBUTE TO ADDRESS DEBATE

Men From North and From Rural Communities Are Heard on Pressing Problems

Legislative Press Gallery, March 16.

The debate on the address was spoken to by four members on the Government side from the northern and southern interior, all of whom acquitted themselves well. The views of the electors of Chilliwack, Atlin, Rossland and Comox were laid before the House by the members for those ridings and were well supported by the arguments which they advanced.

E. D. BARROW.

E. D. Barrow, Chilliwack, who comes from a prosperous rural constituency, commented on the few references that had been made to the farmer in any of the speeches made on either side. He drew attention to the stock opposition to the landings and the neglect of the late Government, the war, and reminded them that the House generally that no Government had any right to ask that citizens should be placed upon the times instead of upon their own wrongdoing. It was his excuse for the late Government to say that its recklessness was to be overlooked on the ground that private persons had been equally extravagant, imprudent and near-sighted. A man had a right to do as he liked with his own, but a Government was trustee of public moneys and must deal with these subjects to the same obligations as rested upon all trustees.

Keep Children on Farms.

There was a lack in farm life to-day at many points, Mr. Barrow said, some being the need for better social facilities for the farmer and his children, the need for better educational facilities along technical lines, co-operation in all lines of agricultural effort which would add zest to rural life and keep the children on the farms, thus meaning in the long run that increased production which everyone felt the necessity for.

Function of Government.

Heretofore, the honorable gentleman said, the only land settlement carried on had been by private parties, which had not produced the best results. Land settlement really was the function of the Government alone. What it should do was take certain sections of the province and fit these for settlement. This would require the best consideration of the Government and such expert advice as it might secure.

Mr. Barrow spoke strongly in support of the extension of demonstration farms, which show at the end of a year in dollars and cents what was in a particular method or variety or line in hard cash. Experimental farms were quite proper in their way, and very valuable but only by demonstration plots could conviction be carried to the actual cultivator.

Not Always Practical.

Mr. Barrow looked for a large increase in settlement and production from the reclamation of Sumas Prairie lands, and recommended the scheme highly to the Government, especially the utilization of the land when drained for returned soldiers. The honorable gentleman hinted that some Agricultural Department officials were not always practical in the sense that they were afraid to put their ideas to the test because they might result otherwise than as calculated. Discussing land clearing operations, Mr. Barrow advocated fire powder for settlers.

FRANK H. MOBLEY.

Frank H. Mobley (Atlin) rose with an expression of a diffidence which was very becoming to him, but which was discounted by the excellence of the short speech he made. Coming from what is really the most remote constituency of the province, he may have thought that he was not in the same class with members from the southern districts, but if he did he was surmising incorrectly. A great deal had been said, and more might be said, of the illimitable resources of the province, but the time of the House should not be taken up except with the most vital ones, Mr. Mobley thought.

North to the Front.

Naturally the honorable gentleman put the northern portion of the province in the foreground, and while he did not complain he suggested that other honorable gentlemen had not been so observant of the resources of the northern country as might have been those who were familiar with what it could produce.

Mr. Mobley disclaimed any intention of becoming an advertising medium, even for the northern country, but he did think that the floor of the House was the proper medium through which to make members for other constituencies familiar with all other parts of British Columbia.

Mineral Producing District.

It might be thought by some honorable gentlemen that Atlin existed in name only, but he could show them, as he believed, one of the first and foremost of all districts of this province once it is placed in its right rating. The member for Fort George repeats it in correct way; progress on bills. The honorable gentleman complained that a great deal of leased property was held up on the coast and that relief by way of agricultural settlement would have to be very carefully enacted in order that it should meet the requirements of the case.

turns, while there were also properties which as yet were undeveloped and could not therefore be considered in any category of available mineral wealth, but which might, on proper development, disclose themselves as producing properties.

Atlin Scenery.

The member from Atlin went on to say that while, as the second member for Victoria (Mr. Bell) had said, the scenery of the capital city was a great asset, he had probably not been cognizant of the wonderful reaches of scenery, by sea and land, in the air and in the atmospheric effects produced by the assemblage in one contrasted picture of the upper and the nether planes which were disclosed in this province, whether one dwelt at the top of the world—as one could at so many points—or on the sea level where they were now assembled.

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Relief Under Mineral Act.

Mr. Mobley also pointed out that while the northern part of his constituency was much retarded in the way of access, thus forcing large areas to remain unproductive, he was glad to see that the Government was proposing to grant relief under the Mineral Act permitting access to proved mineral claims, and he was looking forward with much pleasure to a successful issue accruing from those able efforts of the new Minister of Mines.

In closing Mr. Mobley said that while Atlin would ever exist in name, in area and production and in representation, it might not be one of the most inconsiderable sections of the province; but he predicted that the day was coming when its mineral resources alone would place it in the forefront of the producing portions of the province.

Inaccessibility.

The district suffered, however, from its inaccessibility; its area was extremely large and the amount appropriated to it in the past had been extremely small, so that not much practical result had followed the political expenditure of what had been spent in the district, the precipitous mountains in the district making road-building additionally difficult. Even in that remote district there were agricultural areas, as on the Nass River, a district rarely heard of but with its hardy and hard-working settlers. It would be a long time before assistance of any profit could be extended to them, and therefore he welcomed that community settlement was to be set in motion whereby these people could be got together and be enabled to become of some service to themselves and to the state.

Women's Influence.

In reference to the vote on woman's suffrage Mr. Mobley said: "I am glad to welcome the women to the ranks of our voters. It was ably said by a woman in the north that it was up to the women to do the cleaning about the homes, and it would be up to them now that they were about to get the vote to clean up the party politics of the province. It behooves this or any other Government to see that their politics are clean and are kept clean or else I assure them that the women are going to clean them up." "Hear, hear," remarked the Premier.

W. D. WILLSON.

Encouragement for the prospector was sought by W. D. Willson (Rossland). He thought there should be some system of free assays, laboratory tests of the best methods of treating ores, and improved smelting facilities. Intelligent effort to assist the prospector and miner would also mean encouragement indirectly of the agricultural industry.

Mr. Willson charged that the mining company—and the company's manager looking chiefly for dividends, exercised a tremendous influence over the government, the municipalities and the newspapers. There was an undertaking he believed, between the various mining concerns about several subjects such as labor. He instanced the case of the Granby Company which, he said, had a gate on the wharf at Anyox. Evidently none but aliens could get past that gate, for out of 1,500 men employed less than 300 voted at the last election. If the places in the province now occupied by aliens were furnished to the soldiers a great part of the returned soldier problem would be met. Labor had done much in connection with war work and should be given its chance in the province.

HUGH STEWART.

Hugh Stewart (Comox) urged the claims of the Comox Valley as a section for the settlement of returned soldiers. There was an area of logged-off lands there, several thousand acres in extent, close to good roads which would prove ideal for the purpose, he thought. This property could be obtained at a low price from the private company owning it, and as there was no crown land in the vicinity it was undoubtedly the most suitable property which could be obtained.

Cost of Powder.

Mr. Stewart said he was in favor of a land settlement policy and agricultural credits, but development was hindered in his district because of the cost of powder. He suggested the location of several Government-operated powder plants to supply powder at cost to the land clearers. He favored a fortnightly pay day and was against the employment of Orientals in mines.

In connection with the proposed civil service bill the hon. gentleman suggested that all the present civil servants be asked to resign and take examinations before being restored to the service. He touched to some extent on the iron and copper ore possibilities of Texada Island. He thought further consideration should be given to the question of settlers' rights on Vancouver Island. The returned soldier problem he felt sure could safely be left in the hands of the Government for the submission of a measure to meet the situation when it arose. Dr. Sutherland (Revelstoke) will continue the debate on Monday.

QUESTION RULED OUT FOR ERROR IN FORM

Member for Fort George Repeats It in Correct Way; Progress on Bills

Legislative Press Gallery, March 16.

In the House this afternoon W. R. Ross asked a question about the auditors of Price, Waterhouse & Co., supplementary to one that was answered the other day, in which he wanted to know if six men named, "who are receiving from the Government \$15 per day and \$4 expenses" had passed any examination in any institute of chartered accountants recognized by the Provincial Institute.

This question was disallowed by the Speaker as containing statements of fact. Later in the sitting Mr. Ross gave notice of another question on the same point, in which he avoids the difficulty by speaking of the auditors as "said to be" receiving the sums named.

Upon these figures the birth rate is 25.68 per thousand, the death rate 10.14 per thousand and the marriages are 8.27 per thousand.

PUBLIC HEALTH OF PROVINCE IS GOOD

Report of Department for the Past Year is Interesting Document

Legislative Press Gallery, March 16.

This afternoon the Provincial Secretary, Hon. J. D. MacLean, laid on the table the twentieth annual report of the Provincial Board of Health, which covered the year 1916.

Over the whole the public health of the province is reported as satisfactory. An estimate of the population of the province based on school attendance is attempted, this placing the figure at 323,380, those for Victoria being 36,510. The number of Indians is put at 26,000 and of aliens, including Hindus, at 69,832.

Importance of Health. Pointing to the fact that the problems which present themselves to the Board of Health from year to year vary only in degree and that the importance to the community at large of health problems in general is beginning to be more recognized by those particularly interested, and that is the average citizen, the report states that the department had recognized the great importance of obtaining and maintaining supervision of conditions incidental to the development of a new country such as in British Columbia. Legislation had been introduced from time to time giving the board power to oversee works in connection with railway development, logging and canning industries, installation of water and sewerage systems, inspection of hospitals and especially medical inspection of schools.

Adapted to Change. The health of the province for 1916 has been on the whole satisfactory. Co-operation Needed. It is pointed out that notification of all cases of infectious disease is of prime importance; to secure complete and early notification the co-operation of the public is needed, but before this can be secured there must be a campaign of education. The report touches upon the infantile paralysis scare in the early part of last year. It states that it is to be regretted that the public press gave great prominence to this matter and people became unnecessarily alarmed. There seemed to be only one idea in the minds of the people, that was the terrible after-effects of the disease, resulting in a very small number of cases of attacks of paralysis, and demands were made on health authorities all over the continent that immediate action be taken.

White pointing out that the number of cases of tuberculosis reported during the year showed a smaller number than the previous report, it is said this does not indicate that the number of cases to the population is a decrease at all. The population has decreased, but the percentage of tuberculosis, if anything, is greater. Stating that it is a preventable disease and that there is no lack of sympathy or money when needed to treat advanced cases, the sanatorium does not in itself solve the problem, and that very little will be accomplished by the sanatorium method unless close study is made of the needs of the patient who has not reached the sanatorium stage, and of the one who has been discharged from the sanatorium. Every effort must be made to arrest the disease in its incipientcy. The chief sources of the spread of the disease are given as the advanced infectious case of pulmonary tuber and infected milk.

Reference is made to the good work carried on in Vancouver city by Dr. Underhill and in Victoria under Dr. Alex. Peden. The establishment of special dispensaries for the treatment of patients in all stages of the disease without interruption of work, and without limit

to time for the length of treatment is urged.

Births, deaths and marriages, according to division, are set forth below:

Table with columns: District, Births, Deaths, Marriages. Rows include Victoria, Nanaimo, Vancouver, etc.

The population of the province, based on the attendance of children at the public schools, is given as 323,380. The report points out that it is a difficult number of residents in the province short of a census, and even this latter method is not satisfactory if not actually unreliable. It was deemed best to base the calculation on the public school attendance. The whole school attendance of the province in 1916 was 64,570. In Vancouver, Victoria and South Vancouver the proportion of school attendance to population has been taken as 6 3/4; in the remainder of the province the basis was 5 1/2. The resultant estimate is:

Table with columns: District, Attendance, Population. Rows include Vancouver, South Vancouver, etc.

The report says: "The figures given show a shrinkage in the population of a little more than 12,000 from the numbers assumed for 1915, which is easily accounted for when we take into consideration the number of brave men who have gone 'to the front.' Some thousands of Chinese have gone back to their native land, all of whom were possessed of authority to return here. The Indian population is placed at 26,000. Aliens, including Hindus, at 69,832. Based on the table of population the rate per thousand of births, deaths and marriages is: Births, 25.68; deaths, 10.14; marriages, 8.27.

FRANCHISE EDUCATIONAL. Equal suffrage would tend to broaden the minds of women and to increase their sense of personal responsibility.—David Starr Jordan.

RE LIEUTENANT-COLONEL JOHN CRAIG, DECEASED

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

TAKE NOTICE that pursuant to the Trustee and Executors Act all creditors and others having claims against the estate of John Craig, late of Ganges, Salt Spring Island, British Columbia, who died on the 28th day of July, 1916, and probate of whose will was granted to John C. Scovell, one of the executors therein named, on the 26th day of January, 1917, are requested to send to the undersigned, the Solicitors for the Executor, on or before the 25th day of March, 1917, full particulars of their claims, duly verified, and the nature of the securities, if any, held by them.

AND FURTHER TAKE NOTICE that after the said 25th day of March, 1917, the said Executor will proceed to distribute the assets of the said deceased among the parties entitled thereto, having regard only to the claims of which they shall have had notice; and that the said Executor will not be liable for the said assets or any part thereof to any person or persons of whose claims they shall not have had notice at the time of such distribution.

All parties indebted to the said estate are required to pay such indebtedness to the said Executor forthwith.

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FRECKLES

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MARCH REPORT IS VERY GRATIFYING

Red Cross Collections to Date Over \$3,121—Many Life Memberships
The following is the 14-monthly report of the Canadian Red Cross Society, Victoria and District Branch March 1 to 13, 1917.

Donations in cash—Hon. James Dunsmauir \$500, F. W. Thomas \$15, D. J. Angus \$25, Mrs. Solley \$5, Mrs. Gregory \$5, Miss Pauline Lauce (March and April) \$10, Mrs. James Angus \$10, Miss Macerall \$5, The Soke Woman's Patriotic Guild \$10.

AMERICAN-BORN TOMMY WRITES ON CAMP LIFE

Very excellent work is also being accomplished at the Wharf Street Auxiliary Red Cross work room, under the convener'ship of Mrs. G. H. Barnard and Miss Ferris, full details of which will be included in the monthly report.

Yankee Merchant Near British Columbian's Quarters Described in Forceful Terms

An American born private, who left the central mobilization camp at Vernon in October last with the 122nd Battalion for overseas service, in a letter to friends in the city describes some of his experiences on his first trip to the old land. He says in part: "The people in general treat the Canadian splendidly, sometimes I think, better than we deserve, for we nearly always think when we are buying things that we are being systematically soaked and give our opinions accordingly. Sometimes of course the prices are a little steep, and then again very often they are perfectly reasonable, particularly when one takes into account the extraordinarily changed conditions and the tremendous upheaval caused by the raising, equipping and feeding such a tremendous army."

SERVING THEIR COUNTRY



1—Lance-Corporal S. Solory, of the Royal Berkshires, who was in action at Mametz Wood. 2—Lewis Gunner G. Wilks, of the Bedfordshire Light Infantry, in action at the Somme and at Arras. 3—Corporal J. G. Eden, of Victoria, who went through the crater fights at St. Eloi, Regina Trench, and the Somme. 4—Private Plummer, of the Royal Warwick, who took part in the recent actions at Beaumont Hamel.

WORK ON THE SCREEN Exhibition of Slides Helped to Dispel Prejudices and Assist Recruiting Work
A novel method for the purpose of providing the general public with some knowledge of the work being carried out by the Military Hospital Commission was adopted by an Ontario minister a few days ago.

HEATHER FROM FRONT "Souvenir de la Guerre" Sent by One of 2nd C. M. R. From France.
A letter from one of the boys in the 2nd C. M. R., which unit has been in the fighting line for more than a year, encloses a sprig of heather "which was plucked some months ago right up on the front line."

L.C.E.-CORPORAL EDEN IS NOW IN HOSPITAL

Went With Western Scots; Fought at St. Eloi and at Regina Trench
Corporal J. G. Eden, of the Western Scots, left this city for service overseas some fifteen months ago.

Corporate J. G. Eden, of the Western Scots, left this city for service overseas some fifteen months ago. His companions in an illustration elsewhere in this issue are three men from the Imperial forces who were sent from France with him, disabled, on the last day of December, 1914. They are all now undergoing treatment in the Grovelands War Hospital, London.

NATIVE SON GASSED

Driver R. L. Foster is Among Casualties; Left Here With Engineers.
Posted as suffering from gas poisoning in this morning's casualty list is Driver R. L. Foster, of 410 Parry Street. Driver Foster left Victoria with the 6th Field Company Canadian Engineers in February last year and has been serving with them on the western front ever since he reached France.

POSTED AS WOUNDED

PRIVATE C. H. MEAD
Posted in the casualty list yesterday as wounded, was a member of the 5th Regiment when war broke out and shortly afterwards went to England with an Artillery draft, and thence to France as a signaller. He is 29 years of age and the son of Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Mead, of 2544 Work Street. Private Mead comes of United Empire Loyalist stock.

Advertisement for The Mutual Life of Canada, Waterloo, Ontario. Text: "Everybody Wants Profits... It isn't the amount of the premium but the amount of the dividend that fixes the cost of an insurance policy."

CONFERENCE OF GREAT IMPORT TO SOLDIERS

Secretary Hart and President Drinnan Represent B. C. at Toronto
At a meeting of the executive of the recently formed British Columbia Provincial Returned Soldiers' Association, the selection was endorsed of President Drinnan, of Vancouver, and Secretary H. W. Hart, of Victoria, to represent this Province at the conference which takes place in Toronto on the 20th to the 24th of this month.

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HIGH SCHOOL CADETS
By Major V. Bendroit, Commanding 112 V. H. S. Cadet Corps, Victoria, B. C.
March 16, 1917.
Orderly officer—Lieut. Henry Gilliland, from 17th March, 1917, until 24th March, 1917.
Orderly sergeant—Sergt. Guy Wright.

PTE. JAS. E. YOUNG
of this city, who is reported missing.

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ARRIVALS AND DEPARTURES

PRINCE GEORGE TO TAKE SKAGWAY RUN

Weekly Sailings Between Van-
couver and Alaska Will Be
Inaugurated Next Month

Although no official announcement has been made regarding the resumption of the Grand Trunk Pacific sailings to Alaska this season, it is understood that the Prince George will be the vessel to inaugurate the Far North service, and reports are current along the waterfront that she will depart from Vancouver on April 15 on the initial trip to Skagway this season.

The Prince George, which was withdrawn from the Prince Rupert run on March 2, has been off the drydock at the company's terminal for the past week, and she is now undergoing minor repairs and re-fit. Within the next couple of weeks it is expected that she will come south to inaugurate the weekly service between Vancouver and Alaska. The steamer Prince Rupert will continue to maintain the weekly sailings between Victoria, Seattle, Vancouver, and Prince Rupert, terminating her itinerary at Anyox.

The service will continue in effect until the early part of June, when the flyers Prince George and Prince Rupert will be operated on a fast schedule between Victoria, Vancouver, Prince Rupert and Skagway, both steamships touching at Ketchikan, Wrangell and Juneau.

Travel to Alaska this year is expected to greatly exceed former years, and the G. T. P. anticipates securing a good share of the business.

On the advent of the Prince George in the Skagway trade next month, the steamer Prince John will be withdrawn from the Alaska run and operated between Vancouver, Prince Rupert and the Queen Charlotte Islands. The steamship Prince Rupert, Capt. Duncan McKenzie, is due here early to-morrow morning from Prince Rupert and at 10 o'clock will steam for Seattle.

GERMAN ASSURANCES

Belgian Commission Informed Relief Ships Will Be Immune From Attack

The following telegram, which is self-explanatory, has been received by Belgian Consul W. S. Terry from M. Hector Prud'Homme, of Montreal, honorary treasurer of the Belgian Relief Fund in Canada. Whether the German assurances will be lived up to remains to be seen.
"Have just received official news from Commission for the Relief of Belgium that German authorities have now been able to communicate with all submarine commanders, and that on 15th instant the Commission shipping will be positively safeguarded from attack by following safe line arranged. Six of the Commission's steamers, held at Rotterdam pending completion of necessary preliminaries, sailed at midnight with German safe conduct passes, containing absolute guarantee against submarine attack."

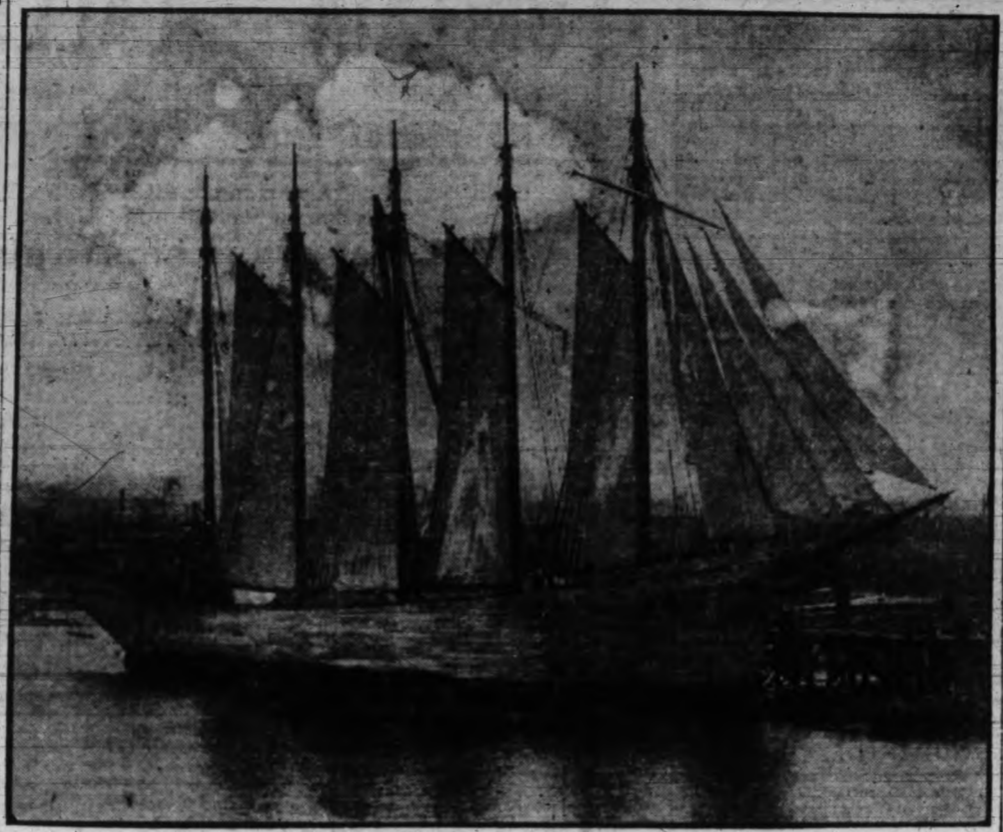
NIELS NIELSEN ON HER SECOND VOYAGE

On her second Transpacific voyage, the Norwegian steamer Niels Nielsen, laden with 3,000 tons of steel plates for ports in Japan, cotton for Dalry and cannery supplies and machinery for Hakodate, has cleared from Seattle under charter to Hitachi & Co. The Niels Nielsen, it will be remembered, on her maiden voyage from Puget Sound, became disabled when several hundred miles off the Vancouver Island coast, later being picked up by the tug Golliah and brought to Esquimalt for repairs.

PANAMA MARU DUE

The Oseka Shosen Kaisha liner Panama Maru is posted to reach port on Monday with passengers and a capacity cargo from the Orient. Her local freight amounts to about 200 tons. The Panama will be followed on March 24 by the extra steamer Shimbu Maru, which has 1,400 tons of general Oriental merchandise for Victoria.

FIRST LOCALLY-BUILT SCHOONER



UNDER CANVAS; MARGARET HANEY

FREIGHTER DUE HERE ONCE REPORTED SUNK

Mixed Cables Gave Impression That Engineer Had Been Destroyed

The Harrison Direct Line steamer, Engineer, which is due here this week-end after completing a hazardous voyage and successfully eluding the submarine menace, has already been reported sunk and cuts of the vessel have been published showing "another of the Harrison fleet sent to Destruction." But the fact remains that the Engineer is still afloat, with all her rigging tight, and furthermore, Capt. McMullen has no recollection of being overhauled by an enemy diver, although unconsciously, he may have had numerous close escapes during his wanderings across the Atlantic, particularly within the submarine area.
It was several months ago that the Engineer was reported through the regular news channels as having been sunk while on a voyage from England to ports on the Atlantic seaboard of the United States. Subsequently the message came through Boston that the cable messages had been mixed and that there was some doubt about the disappearance of the Engineer from the surface of the blue.
The first definite word of the Engineer after that was the announcement of her being placed on berth in the United Kingdom for the North Pacific Coast, replacing the steamer Scipitor. Successfully dodging the periscopes the Engineer made a good run across the Atlantic and her first port of call after passing through the Panama Canal was San Pedro, there being no cargo for Santa Rosalia this voyage.

MYSTERIOUS SHOOTING AFFAIR AT SEATTLE

Well-Known Shipping Man Held Pending Investigation of Young Girl's Death

Seattle, March 17.—Eugene P. Erckenbrack, widely known in coast shipping circles, was arrested by the police this morning and is held at the city jail pending investigation of the shooting to death early this morning of Miss Mabel Howe, aged 19, maid at the Erckenbrack home.
Erckenbrack telephoned to the police this morning that Miss Howe had committed suicide in his bedroom last night, using his pistol, because he had reproached her for misconduct with another man. According to the story told to the police by Erckenbrack, there had been a party at the house last night, in the absence of Mrs. Erckenbrack, who is visiting in California. Erckenbrack says he caught Miss Howe, during the party, in the embrace of a young man, a guest of the party and after the party Erckenbrack delivered a moral lecture to the girl. Erckenbrack says the girl retorted that her conduct with the young man guest was no worse than Erckenbrack's own with a young woman guest, and became greatly excited, finally drawing out his loaded revolver from between the mattress of his bed. She then shot and killed herself, he said. The police say a bump on the girl's head had not been explained.

STEAMER QUADRA NOW HAS FLUSH DECKS

Reconstruction Work Has Greatly Changed Former Lighthouse Tender

Since she was reconstructed the former Dominion lighthouse tender Quadra, now plying in the service of the Britannia Mining & Smelting Company, between Britannia Beach and Tacoma as an ore carrier, she has taken on the appearance of an entirely new vessel, her former yacht lines having been accentuated by the rebuilding of the superstructure.
When she was operated as a lighthouse tender out of this port the Quadra was equipped with well-decks forward and aft of amidships, which made her more suitable for the handling of large buoys and other heavy lifts while performing her work along the coast. After being in collision with the C. P. R. steamer Chamer off the entrance to the harbor at Nanaimo, the Quadra was purchased as she stood by the Vancouver Dredging & Salvage Company, which concerns salvaged and rebuilt her, later disposing of the craft to the Britannia Mine interests.
The vessel is now of the flush-deck type, the well-decks having been built up with a view to making her more suitable as a cargo carrier. Her housework amidships is also higher, a new pilot house having been added.
The steamer is now engaged in transporting ore concentrates from the Howe Sound mines to the smelter at Tacoma, being under the command of Capt. Melville Cutler, formerly skipper of the sea-going tug Lorne.
As previously announced in these columns, provision has been made in the estimates for a vessel or vessels to replace the Quadra in the light-house service on this coast, and it is expected that some definite announcement will be made in the near future regarding the plans of the government in this direction. The service is maintained by the Estevan, Newington and Leebro, and with the aids to navigation continually increasing, there is some room for improvement in transportation facilities.

WIRELESS REPORTS

March 17, 8 a.m.
Point Grey—Clear; calm; 20.50; 37; sea smooth.
Cape Lazo—Overcast; calm; 30.34; sea smooth. Spoke str Chelohsin, 8.05 a.m., abeam Capt Mudre, northbound.
Pachena—Clear; S.; 30.27; 42; sea moderate.
Estevan—Overcast; S. E. fresh; 30.00; 37; sea moderate.
Alert Bay—Clear; calm; 30.08; 38; sea smooth.
Triangle—Ugly; W. light; 30.29; 39; sea moderate. Spoke str Prince Rupert, 6.40 p.m., abeam Namsu, southbound; str Princess Beatrice, 2 a.m., entering Rivers Inlet, northbound.
Dead Tree Point—Clear; S. E. light; 30.00; 35; sea smooth. Passed out during night, str Prince John, southbound.
Ikeda Bay—Rain; S. E. light; 29.75; 33; sea smooth.
Prince Rupert—Cloudy; S. E.; 30.00; 38; sea smooth. Passed in str Princess Maquinn, 6.30 p.m., northbound.
Noon.
Point Grey—Clear; calm; 30.50; 37; sea smooth.
Cape Lazo—Overcast; S. E.; 30.30; 42; sea moderate. Spoke str Prince Rupert, 9.10 a.m., five miles north of Cape Lazo, southbound; spoke str Princess Ena, 10 a.m., leaving Blubber Bay, southbound.
Pachena—Drizzling rain; S. E.; 30.34; 45; sea moderate.
Estevan—Rain; S. W.; strong; 30.00; 37; sea rough.
Alert Bay—Rain; S. E.; 30.12; 45; sea smooth.
Triangle—Cloudy; N.; 30.30; 40; sea moderate. Spoke str Venture, 9.45 a.m., entering Millbank Sound, northbound; spoke str Camosun, 10.55 a.m., leaving Shushartie Bay, southbound.
Dead Tree Point—Overcast; S. E.; light; 30.00; 38; sea smooth.
Ikeda Bay—Rain; S. E.; 29.50; 40; sea smooth.
Prince Rupert—Overcast; S. E., strong; 30.00; 41; sea moderate. Spoke str Dolphin, 8.15 a.m., off Evening Point, northbound.

ECHO OF DISASTER

Britannia Mining Company Sue for Insurance on Leona's Cargo.
The Britannia Mining & Smelting Company is suing the Pacific Marine Insurance Company of Vancouver, for \$5,000, the amount of a policy claimed to have been carried on the cargo of ore concentrates which was lost when the steamer Leona foundered off Active Pass in October, 1915, with the loss of seven lives. The cargo was valued at \$49,750 and the policy sued for is but one of a number of similar policies placed with various companies. These policies amount to \$40,000, none of which have been paid.

ELUDED SUBMARINES

Freighter Crown of Leon Reached United Kingdom Early This Month.
Word has been received here as to the safe arrival in the United Kingdom of the Harrison freighter Crown of Leon, belated cable dispatches stating that the vessel arrived out March 3. The Crown of Leon was here in December and was the first Harrison boat in this service to reach the submarine zone following the German declaration of unrestricted diver warfare.
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Transatlantic Concern Wiped Out \$6,000,000 Floating Debt in Three Months

The earnings of the International Mercantile Marine in December, 1916, were nearly \$5,000,000, or \$500,000 greater than the best previous estimate, says the Wall Street Journal. The trend of earnings has been upward since September and new contracts are being made at the highest freight rates on record. These conditions indicate big earnings for months to come which may exceed the record monthly earnings of \$6,700,000 made during the summer of 1916.

These conditions also upset the adverse calculations made when the new British policy of "nationalizing" shipping was announced. This policy permitted the British Government to commandeer 85 per cent. of space on Atlantic liners flying the British flag. It can be stated by Dow, Jones & Co. that the International Mercantile Marine Company will get in the neighborhood of \$10 a ton for all space so commandeered. This is somewhat less than half the rate charged to the public, but, on the other hand, it is triple the rate in vogue before the war started. On the basis of this rate the International Mercantile Marine Company can overcome the increased cost of transportation and still make a fair profit. There never was any intention on the part of the British Government, it appears, to wipe out profits of the Atlantic lines. The desire was merely to keep the cost of foodstuffs to the British public as low as possible. It would be suicidal to exact confiscatory rates from British ships because this would only endanger the British mercantile supremacy and enhance the opportunities of neutral shipping.

The International Mercantile Marine Company's floating debt of \$6,000,000, which was contracted for among New York banks when the reorganization plan was adopted, has been paid off out of earnings in the last three months. In addition, about \$1,000,000 has been spent out of earnings for the improvement of ships. There are several millions of cash in the local treasury, it is estimated. The cash or the equivalent of cash in the treasuries of the English subsidiaries of the company, inclusive of the amounts paid by the British Government for ships sunk while in Admiralty service, is about \$30,000,000.

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STOCK FARMS OF VANCOUVER ISLAND

Veteran Cattle-Expert Reports on a Visit to Well-Known Ranches

I left on Saturday, the 2nd of this month, with the view of purchasing some stock for the Alberni Land Co., Ltd., going as far as Courtenay. From there I took the mail auto to Comox, arriving at Yeada Farm. Here I purchased an Ayrshire bull of the best breeding in the province. This farm is owned by a Mr. Game, who resides near London, Eng. His son and daughter reside on the farm. I was surprised to see such a fine herd of registered Ayrshires, 17 head, and a few grade cows, all in splendid condition. Young Mr. Game, although he never farmed before, came out here to British Columbia, does all the work on the farm without help, except in the busy season: I believe he will make a success of breeding, as he is working along the right lines. I gave him all the encouragement I could and told him of a farmer I knew well in Scotland. At his annual sale of young Ayrshire bulls last fall, the top price realized \$1,900. The second highest was sold for \$1,600. I shipped the bull on Monday to the farm near Alberni. I arrived at the farm that afternoon; as I had shipped some dairy cattle and a small flock of ewes about three years ago, I was anxious to see them. I also shipped some registered Berkshire sows a month previous to this. The stock is in splendid condition and have been well wintered. The foreman told me every one last year had twin lambs and saved them all except one that was "wounded by dogs." This farm has splendid, up-to-date buildings; large barn with silo; splendid piggeries and a first-class dairy building. I observed about 100 tons of ground lime ready to be spread on the land this spring. Took the train Tuesday morning for Parksville, where I was met by Mr. Morrison, of Errington. Mr. Morrison settled in this district over 25 years ago, and we have known one another for over 30 years. I was anxious to meet him. When I arrived Mrs. Morrison gave me a right royal reception. Next morning we went out to see the farm and stock. I was astonished to see the difference of the soil from what is around Parksville. There are 260 acres in this farm, all good land, having about 60 acres under cultivation with quite a large acreage logged off for pasture. There is a large flock of Oxford Down sheep and a number of cattle, and by the looks of the oat hay and oat straw there must have been a great growth. Young Mr. Morrison has got a large new barn nearly completed, where he will be able to hold all the stock and feed. I got quite a few tips as to the construction of this barn, but what struck me most was his threshing outfit. They have got one of those small threshers, 26-inch cylinder, unmounted and driven from a pulley in front of his automobile. The shaft of the pulley is fitted to the crank shaft of the engine and he has put on an extra fan outside the radiator to keep the engine cool.

This appears to me to be a perfect paradise for the sportsman. I am told that there is somewhere about 10,000 acres of good farming land around this district. After taking good-bye of my friends young Mr. Morrison drove me to the depot, passing the Government Experimental Farm and some prosperous-looking farms.

I had visited the late Capt. Watson's farm at Westholme about a month ago, where I met John MacMurrie, who is managing the farm and halls from Auld Ayr, "whom men an' town surpasses, for bonnet n'er an' honny lassie," and when a man from Carrick and one from Kyle meet over 5,000 miles from their old home there is something doing. That night the most of the farmers from Gervan to Kilmarnock got a turn over, and there were some great characters in my young days. Next morning I was shown the registered Clydes, Baron Craigie is still in good shape, a horse that is well known in Saskatchewan for getting good stock. The other horse, King Viviers, was imported by the late Captain Watson and is a much heavier animal than Baron Craigie and looks like a horse that would leave good stock. The mare Nancy of Bracknell is one I like. She is well built and has grand feet and legs. Another grand mare, Westholme Roselale, was bred by Baron Craigie. This mare has never been defeated in the show ring.

I arrived at Duncan from Parksville, where Mr. G. H. Hadwen met me. Bought a registered bear from him and was shown his fine flock of Shropshire sheep and spent a pleasant evening. Next morning left for Cobble Hill. Went out to Froudey Ranch, owned by Mr. Hughes. Met my old friend James Hendry, who has charge of the stock. I consider he is one of the best men on the American continent for fitting stock for a fair. The proprietor deserves great credit for bringing such a fine herd of Shorthorn cattle into the province. There are some nice young calves, bulls and heifers. One bull calf is a beauty, out of Burnbrae Whimpe and its sire is the great show bull Gainsford Marquis imported. Having seen all the stock I made for Cobble Hill and got home that night well pleased with my trip.

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VACANT LOT CULTIVATION

Mayor Appeals to Organizations to Join in Greater Production This Year

Mayor Todd's message this week to the various organizations of Victoria sums up the progress hitherto made. Newspaper publicity, combined with the natural revival of energy in spring time and enforced by extravagant charges for necessary vegetables in recent months, have all united to give an impetus to the movement which promised to secure a record result for the Vacant Lot movement in Victoria. While his scheme goes far, it does not reach the proposal of Walsall, a Midland manufacturing town in England, where the War Agricultural Committee has issued a circular to congregations, schools, societies and clubs of the town, appealing to each to undertake in its corporate capacity the cultivation of a plot of land, preferably for potatoes.

Hamilton claims the honor of inaugurating Vacant Lot cultivation as a municipal enterprise. In 1914 City Clerk Kent started the idea of a Garden Club. Capt. Walters, when Mayor of Hamilton, claimed the result had been: increased production, the assisting of the unemployed and the benefit that comes to any man from working in his spare time.

contributions of small sums by the wealthier citizens can better stimulate production among those who find the preliminary expense rather high. They would like the opportunity to be aided in the latter months by the monetary recompense which would recoup their outlay without having to sell the produce of the allotments.

If the scheme continues as well as it has been moving this week, some steps will have to be taken to organize the movement outside as well as inside the city, and to have some one designated by the central committee to give advice in planting and cultivation during the season. A special superintendent has been detailed to deal with ploughing.

One of the most pleasing features of the campaign is the way in which the wives of the soldiers have joined in the scheme and are co-operating in taking up vacant land for cultivation this summer. The secretary states that he has had numerous applications of this character. Many women have plenty of time and with the heavy initial work done by the city, the scheme should succeed so far as this phase of the work is concerned.

The difficulty of large cultivators wanting the city to undertake ploughing has not materialized as had been expected. It appears that one or two large areas will be prepared by the city, private arrangements having been made by many prospective growers to have the land cultivated without civic aid.

The orders for ploughing at the present time will entail a month's work, so that the peat and light soils will have dried out for attention by the time the heavier lands have been placed in crop for the season.

NEWS OF THE MINES

A paper from the pen of W. M. Brewer was read at the meeting of the Western branch of the Canadian Mining Institute this week, referring to the deposits of Vancouver Island. He alluded to the erroneous statements of many people who have not any basis upon which to estimate magnetite ore tonnage, and said the deposits were of very considerable extent, but I am not prepared to estimate the tonnage, except in a very rough way. In my opinion there need be no hesitancy with regard to the starting of a local iron industry so far as concerns the quantity of magnetite ore, provided demand, cost of production, etc. are favorable.

The compulsory smelting of ores in the country of origin has formed the subject of much discussion in recent years, on account of a considerable amount of ore going to smelters in the United States. While such a course can be argued from both standpoints, it is doubtful if regulation by customs tariff would be beneficial, since so large a proportion of the iron ores used in Eastern Canada come from the United States. Reciprocity in this respect has its advantages in the development of the mining industry. It is assumed that the Ladysmith smelter will deal with a considerable amount of custom ore from Alaska and elsewhere. Any exclusion policy would cut both ways, since an large amount of American money is invested in the mining industry of British Columbia. In Australia the metal trade is more easily regulated, on account of the isolation of the continent. There the Commonwealth Government has given a general indication that its policy will be directed to ensuring that all metalliferous ores produced in Australia shall be smelted and refined in the Commonwealth, as a result of which lead concentrates, for instance, are being treated in the country, in spite of more advantageous terms offered to operators from outside firms.

await development till the cost of machinery drops. Operators will, as a rule, be unwilling to spend money, except for high-grade prospects, while high prices are charged for all the necessary equipment. In many necessities a 50 per cent. increase is reported.

ST. MARK'S GUILD

Annual Meeting Held This Week and Officers Elected.

The Women's Guild of St. Mark's Hall held its annual meeting on Tuesday, March 13.—There were seventeen members present, including the president, Mrs. Litter, who gave a most interesting address. During the past year the Victoria branch of the Guild has given a bursary of \$100 to the hall, and has made several gifts of furnishings to the chapel built by them last year. There are now seven students at the College, thirteen students being on active service.

The election of officers resulted as follows: President, Mrs. Litter; vice-president, Mrs. George Gillespie; secretary-treasurer, Mrs. C. A. Pope. Annual subscriptions to the amount of \$144.50 have been collected, and the treasurer would be glad to have those still unpaid as soon as possible.

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SHOE REPAIRING—REMOVAL NOTICE—Arthur Hibbs, shoe repairs, has removed to 307 Yates St., between Broad and Government.

SHOE REPAIRING promptly and neatly done, reasonably priced. H. White, 1311 Blanshard St., two doors from telephone office.

TAILORING—S. D. YLONEN & CO., tailors and dress-makers, McGregor Block, Phone 493.

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TRUCK AND DRAY—VICTORIA TRUCK & DRAY CO., LTD.,—Office and stables, 1101 Broad Street, Telephone 13, 1748, 1750.

TYPEWRITERS—TYPEWRITERS—New and second-hand repairs, rentals; ribbons for all makes. Laidlaw Typewriter Co. Ltd., 732 Fort Street, Victoria. Phone 4798.

VACUUM CLEANERS—HAVE THE AUTO VACUUM for your carpets. Satisfaction assured. Phone 4616.

WOOD AND COAL—WESTERN COAL & WOOD CO.,—Cor. 45th and 1/2 St., Phone 4768. All sizes of wood, coal, any length; lump coal, \$7.50; nut, \$4.50. Phone 4768.

Y. W. C. A.—FOR THE BENEFIT of young women in or out of employment. Rooms and board. \$5.00. 125 Court-street.

WATCHMAKER AND JEWELER—F. L. HAYNES, high-grade watchmaker and engraver, manufacturing jeweler. We specialize in ring making. Wedding rings made at shortest notice. All work guaranteed. 124 Government.

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LOGGERS—CANADIAN ORDER of FORESTERS—Court Columbia, meets 3rd Monday, 8 p. m., Orange Hall, Yates St. R. W. O. Savage, 101 Moss St. Tel. 1132.

LAND, meets 1st and 3rd Thursdays at 8 o'clock. Secretary, E. W. Howlett, 131 Second Street, City.

DAUGHTERS AND MAIDS OF ENGLAND, B. S.—Lodge Princess Alexandra, No. 13, meets 3rd Thursdays, 8 p. m., Orange Hall, Yates Street, Pres., Mrs. J. Palmer, 555 Admiral's Road, Sec., Mrs. H. Catterall, 921 Fort.

DAUGHTERS AND MAIDS OF ENGLAND, B. S.—Lodge Primrose, No. 22, meets 2nd and 4th Thursdays at 8 p. m., in A. O. F. Hall, Broad Street, Pres., Mrs. Oddy, 722 Douglas Street, Sec., Mrs. J. Oddy, 722 Douglas Street, Visiting members cordially invited.

SONS OF ENGLAND B. S.—Alexandra Lodge, No. 13, meets 2nd and 4th Mondays at 8 p. m., in K. of P. Hall, Broad Street, Sec., E. W. Howlett, 131 Second Street, secretary, J. Smith, 123 Seaview Avenue, Hillside.

SONS OF ENGLAND B. S.—Prince of Wales Lodge, No. 12, meets 2nd and 4th Thursdays, K. of P. Hall, North Park St. A. G. Harding, K. of P. H. & S., 16 Promiss Road, 1006 Government.

COLUMBIA LODGE, No. 1, I. O. O. F., meets Wednesdays, 8 p. m., in Odd Fellows Hall, Douglas Street. D. Dewar, R. S., 1260 Oxford.

THE ORDER of THE EASTERN STAR, Victoria Chapter, No. 17, meets on 2nd and 4th Mondays at 8 p. m., in the K. of P. Hall, N. Park St. Visiting members cordially invited.

A. O. F. COURT NORTHERN LIGHT, No. 563, meets at Foresters' Hall, Broad Street, 2nd and 4th Wednesdays. W. F. Fullerton, Sec'y.

VICTORIA CHAPTER, No. 17, Order of the Eastern Star, meets on 2nd and 4th Mondays at 8 p. m., in the K. of P. Hall, N. Park St. Visiting members cordially invited.

ESQUIMALT DISTRICT—ESQUIMALT PLUMBER—A. Macdonald. Jobbing punctually attended to. Estimates furnished. Phone 2686. 1257 Esquimalt Road.

WANTED—MISCELLANEOUS—WANTED—English brass; also tent about 12 ft. x 14 ft., with fly. Must be in good condition. Box 177, Times.

WANTED—Old copper, brass, zinc, lead, bottles, sacks, rubber, etc., etc. We buy and sell everything and anything. Phone 1229. City Junk Co., Oriental Alley, 505 Johnson St., cor. Oriental Alley.

WANTED—Launch hull about 20 long; in good condition; must be cheap. Give full particulars in first letter. Box 177, Times.

I WANT some furniture for 5 rooms. Will pay fair price for whole or part, cash down. Phone 3114.

WANTED—A man's valuable bicycle. Phone 4801.

SMALL COOK STOVE wanted, cheap. Box 541 Times.

WANTED—To purchase for cash, furniture of a 4 or 5-room house. S. H. J. Mason, Hillside and Quadra, Phone 2125.

WANTED—Old brass, copper, lead, zinc, rubber, sacks, rags, etc. Canadian Junk Co., 535 Johnson, Phone 3606.

HOUSE OF FURNITURE wanted for cash. Phone 2217.

WANTED—Best price given for ladies' gents' cast-off clothing. Phone 3097 or call 704 Yates.

A LADY WILL CALL and buy your high class cast-off clothing. Spot cash. Mrs. Hunt, 812 Johnson, two houses east from Blanshard, Phone 4021.

CASH PAID for old bicycles and parts in any condition. Phone 1747, Victor Cycle Works, 73 Johnson St., Phone 3088.

AGENTS WANTED.

NEW MONEY-MAKING MARVEL—Strange scientific discovery, Kalomite revolutionizes clothes washing ideas, positively abolishes rubbing, washboards and washing machines; 1000 guarantees. Absolutely harmless, women astonished, territory protection. The Arma Company, 21 Provincial Lane, Montreal, M19

BUSINESS CHANCES

FOR SALE—Saw and planing mill, timber limits and donkey engine; reliable business. P. C. Barker, Happy Valley.

DANCING.

THE BONA DEE CLUB will give a St. Patrick's Day dance March 22, Alexander Hotel, from 8 p. m. Members only. Admission 50c.

NOTICE—Hold your dances in the Connaught Hall. Finest floor in the city. For bookings, phone 5459 or 3631, as

EXCHANGE

FARMS and city property for exchange. Chas. F. Eagles, 517 Bayward, Block, Phone 3118.

EXCHANGE—Fine Cadillac car 1915, for Esquimalt property. Box 644 Times.

EXCHANGE—Now seven-room house in city for Vancouver or Port Angeles property. Phone 2107.

TO TRADE—Fairfield property, several good modern houses, at reduced prices for equity will accept good building lots. E. W. Whittington Lbr. Co., Ltd., owners. Phone 2697.

RANGE—Seven-room bungalow in city, with high level. Ideal for farm, land, B. C. or prairie. 1212 Douglas St.

WANTED—You to know we have moved to 333 Johnson Street, Canadian Junk Co. Tel. 3088.

FOR SALE—POULTRY AND EGGS. WYANDOTTES FOR HATCHING—No. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67, 68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74, 75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81, 82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89, 90, 91, 92, 93, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 99, 100.

FOR SALE—Single cow, 11 Red, Orpington, White and Brown Leghorns, all good stock, for setting, 1511 Chestnut Avenue, Phone 1981.

WHITE WYANDOTTES, Black Minorcas, Rhode Island Red, Barred Rock, etc., sitting, \$5 hundred. Walton, cor. Mt. Talmie Rd. and Lansdowne, Phone 2881.

FOR SALE—Phonograph White Leghorn eggs, \$2 per setting. 418 Alpha Street, City.

FOR SALE—65 well bred R. I. R. and White Wyandottes. 191 Leighton Road, phone 489.

RHODE ISLAND RED EGGS, 75c. for 12. 101 Belmont, Phone 731L.

HELP WANTED—MALE

WANTED—Serious, of good standing, young man, who can invest around seven hundred dollars in a going manufacturing concern; will teach party good trade; security first. Address, Times. Apply in writing to Box 569.

PAYEL BOY wanted. Royal Cleaners, Yates Street.

WANTED—Persons to grow mushrooms for us at home; from \$10 per week to \$100. Can be made by using waste space in yards or gardens (start now). Illustrated booklet sent free. Address: Montreal Supply Company, Montreal.

WANTED—Strong boy to learn plumbing trade. Thacker & Holt, 600 Speed Ave.

INTERNATIONAL CORRESPONDENCE SCHOOLS, 122 Douglas corner of Douglas and Yates, Tel. 1900.

EMPLOYERS OF HELP who may now or in the immediate future require skilled or unskilled labor, either male or female, should send in their names at once to the Municipal Free Labor Bureau.

MISCELLANEOUS

RESTORE HAIR to natural color. Formula sent 10c. Matthews, 1817 Crescent Road.

CARPENTERS and all kinds of cheap repairs done quickly and very cheap. Give me a trial. Box 534 Times.

MRS. ARCHER, Metaphysical healer, announces to her patients and others that she has removed her office from 419 Campbell Bldg. to 725 Fort Street, upstairs.

BILLIARDS—30c per hour. Snooker 15c per game. 13 B. & W. English tables. 6 pool. Broad St. Billiard Hall.

GET YOUR NICKEL PLATING done at Albin Stoves Works, Ltd. Auto 920.

IF WE PLEASE YOU tell your friends: If we don't, tell us. We can always make amends. Enough to buy 230 Burnside.

E. & A. FLEEPROOF PAINTERS, Phone 1978.

REMOVAL NOTICE—The New Thought meetings and classes held in the Campbell Bldg. have removed to 725 Fort Street, upstairs, where all seekers of the truth will be welcomed.

CLEAN EXCHESLOR WINDUST given away. Ideal bedding for horses, etc. Sweeney Co. Ltd., Elery and Lampton Sts., Victoria West.

GENERAL TRAINING, plowing and harrowing. Phone 2241.

LAWN MOWERS ground, collected and delivered; if smooth, razor edge, cut grass paper, Job guaranteed. Dan-gering, Oak Bay Ave. Collection phone 1229.

GARDENING—Gardens made and kept up; lots cleared, lawns made, cellars cemented, tiles laid and cement walks, and driveway work. Free estimates. Ng. Hop. P. O. Box 965, ad and approved.

INSURE YOUR CAR against break-down this season by having it properly overhauled. Special prices on Ford repairs. Arthur Besford, 933 Gordon, rear Weller Bros. Phone 479.

FILLING, also ploughing and harrowing done. Phone 189.

APARTMENTS

NORMANDE APTS, Cook and Plagarud Sts. Furnished suite to rent. M27

FURNISHED and unfurnished suites, steam heated, near beach. Bellevue Court, Oak Bay, Phone 3728.

COLLISON APARTMENTS, 1116 Col-linson; modern unfurnished 4-room suite, with plaza. M19

APARTMENTS to let, McDonald Block, Oak Bay Junction. Phone 731L M11

AUTOMOBILES FOR HIRE.

AUTO FOR HIRE—5-passenger Overland car, with experienced driver. \$1.75 city and \$2.00 country, per hour. Phone 3118, or 4277. C. C. Smith, 169 Joseph, at 112

FOR SALE—1915 Ford in good condition, cheap. Box 545.

HUPMOBILE—32 h. p. Will go to 25 mph on 1 gal. of gas, and smaller tires. All good. Owner will sell or trade. 707 Fort St.

FOR SALE—1915 Ford, in good condition, cheap. Phone 2400L.

FORD RUNABOUT for sale, \$250. Phone 1218L, or 489 Commercial.

FOR SALE—ARTICLES—SELLING OUT—Last day, March 21st. Marconi, cycle specialist, 54 Johnson St. Show cases, refrigerators, washing machines and sundries. Call and see me.

THE HOME CANNING PLANT helps to solve the problem of making a living on the coast. Particulars regarding meats, fish and produce. The process is simple. Family size steam pressure sterilizer. Full particulars from Alfred Carmichael, general agent, Belmont House, Victoria, B. C.

MOTOR CYCLES—Harleys, Hondas, Hussons; bicycles, Stirlings, Gramsons, etc. The Douglas Cycle & Motor Co., 245 Douglas St. Phone 578.

SOUTHALL, for stoves and ranges, cor. Yates and Quadra streets, 735 Fort Street, and 2438 Vancouver. Phone 628P.

MARCH SALE OF OPPOSITE POST OFFICE, Phone 1241.

MALE and FEMALE PLAYERS (slightly used). Come and see what we can offer you. Terms arranged to suit.

GIBSON HARVESTING MACHINES. Opposite Post Office, Phone 1241.

MALLEABLE and steel ranges, \$5 down and \$1 per week. Phone 609, 2601 Gov. Street.

ARE YOU GOING FIRING? We've got the tackle. Give us a call. Also a new line of English tennis rackets just in. Call and see them at the Victoria Sports Line. 1009 Broad St.

GOOD DUMP WAGON—Also atick wagon for sale. Stevens, 1129 North Park Mt. Rd.

SELLING RAPIDLY—Glaized hot bed sash, 3 feet by 5 feet, only \$2.25 each, highest quality. Call or write. Mr. Plummer, Lbr. Co., Ltd., 2414 Bridge St. Phone 2697.

STRAWBERRY plants, currants, gooseberries, raspberries, loganberries, etc. Catalogue free. Chas. Provan, Minor Rural Industries Specialist, Langley Road, B. C.

TUBS—32 x 31 good tubs, \$1 each. 1018 Blanshard.

FOR SALE—Strong bee colony and hive, or exchange for chickens. 69 Moss Street, 1012 Commercial.

FOR SALE—Practice upright piano, \$15. 1817 Quaker Street.

FOR SALE—Winchester repeating rifle, 22 cal. \$3.50; rifle, 22 cal. \$4.50; mandate in hand. \$1.75; ebony violin brushes, \$2.50; gun mags. \$2.50; pocket watch, \$1.50; Waltham watches, \$2.75; trombones in leather case, \$2.50; leather gaiters, \$2.50; bicycle cammies, \$2.50; bicycle, \$2.50 per set; Gillette safety razors, \$2.50; playing cards, 10c or 3 for 5c; maracas, 2 for 5c. Jacob, 573 Johnson Street, Victoria, Phone 1147.

FOR SALE—Furniture, contents of 5 roomed bungalow, good as new. 1804 Leighton Road, Victoria. Phone 489.

MEN'S HEADWEAR—The new spring styles just opened up, priced at \$2.50. These are splendid values. Come in and try them on. Foot & Hat, West-end, 1212 Commercial.

FOR SALE—7 h. p. engine, 50; Evinrude motor, \$28; 12 ft. rowboat, \$35. Causeway Boat House, Phone 3148.

FURNISHED ROOMS

NICE BEDROOM—Private family, close to post office. 423 Vancouver Street. Phone 2028L.

BRUNSWICK HOTEL—6c night and up. 80 weekly. Free housekeeping rooms. Yates and Douglas.

HELP WANTED—FEMALE

LADIES WANTED to do plain and light work at home; whole or spare time, good pay; work sent any distance, charges paid. Send stamp for particulars. National Manufacturing Company, Montreal.

HOUSEKEEPER wanted immediately by widow with 4 young children, Old Country woman age 30 to 35, preferably with good home, easy place and good home. Apply immediately with full particulars, etc., to T. A. Poh, Queen's Bldg., Victoria.

FEMALE GENERAL HELP wanted for small amount of household work. M7

IF YOU HAVE WORK for a few hours, days or weeks, won't you send in your name to the Municipal Free Labor Bureau and they will send you the man or woman to do that work?

CHURCH SERVICES.

ANGLO-CAN—Christ Church Cathedral, Sunday, March 18, 1917; 8 a. m. holy communion; 11 a. m. matins, psalms, canticles, Dean; 3:30 children's service; 7 p. m. evening prayer, the Dean; Wednesday, intercession service, 5 p. m.

ANGLO-CAN—St. Matthias Mission, Fowl Bay, March 18, 1917, in Lent; 8 a. m. holy communion; 5 p. m. Sunday school; 7 p. m. evensong and sermon.

ROYAL JUBILEE HOSPITAL—Sunday, March 18, 1917, Lent Services. Memorial Chapel at 10:30 a. m., consisting of morning prayer, hymns and sermon. Nurses, aged patients, members of hospital staff, as also residents in the neighborhood, cordially invited.

SAVIOUR'S CHURCH, "Victoria West Rev. R. Connell, pastor. Holy communion and morning prayer, 11 a. m.; Sunday School, 2:30; evening prayer, 7 p. m.

TABERNACLE BAPTIST, Chester and Fairfield, Rev. B. H. West, pastor. 7:30 p. m. "Christ and the Devil." Sunday School, 2:30. Prayer meeting, Thursday, 8 p. m.

BAPTIST—Emmanuel, corner Fernwood and Gladstone, Rev. William Stevenson, Pastor. Morning 11, "An Ideal Fellowship"; evening 7:30, "Can We Speak With the Dean? How?"; new book by Raymond Strangers welcome.

METROPOLITAN CHURCH—Pastor Rev. H. S. Osborne, B. D. At 11 a. m. the pastor, 7:30 p. m. preacher, the Rev. S. D. Chavira, D. D., general superintendent of the Methodist Church of Canada. Splendid music by large choir. Monday, 6:30 p. m. supper, given by the Epworth League on Tuesday, 7:30 p. m. entertainment by Sunday School. Come early.

CENTENNIAL METHODIST—Rev. A. S. Colwell, B. A., pastor, will preach, Services 11 a. m. subject, "Undeveloped Lives." 7:30 p. m. "What Power is Shaping Our Lives?" Strangers invited.

METHODIST—James Bay. The minister, Rev. S. Cook, will preach at both services, 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Soloist, Mrs. J. E. Stenson; soloist, Miss P. Dilworth. Welcome to all.

ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH—Rev. W. Leslie Clay, D. D., minister. At 11 a. m. public worship in St. Andrew's Church. The Synod of Christ, 12:15. Men's Bible Class, 2:30 p. m. Sabbath School, 7:30 p. m. public worship. "The Grandeur of Life."

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN—The minister will preach Morning subject, "Does Love Do Away With Law?" Evening, "Beligion 'Make a Man a Crook'." Strangers and visitors welcome.

P. R. BROWN, 1112 Broad St.

Insurance Written. Money to Loan.

FURNISHED

1864 Queen's Ave., 11 rooms.....\$20
2647 Chaucer St., 5 rooms.....\$20
637 Pine St., 4 rooms.....\$20
3115 Delta St., 3 rooms.....\$20
777 Bunt St., 8 rooms.....\$20
224 Bay St., 4 rooms.....\$20
1865 Lee Ave., 5 rooms.....\$20
1214 Yates St., 5 rooms.....\$20
223 Shakespeare St., 6 rooms.....\$20
1947 Bee and Marion Sts., 7 rooms.....\$20

UNFURNISHED

227 Cook St., 11 rooms.....\$20
2393 Crescent Rd., 3 rooms.....\$20
1213 Whitaker St., 4 rooms.....\$20
124 Ladysmith St., 3 rooms.....\$20
727 Princess Ave., 3 rooms.....\$20
1650 Oak Bay Ave., 3 rooms.....\$20

STORES AND OFFICES

1510 Elford St., garage, with bedroom.....\$20
748 Yates St., store.....\$20
777 Bunt St., garage.....\$20
1862 Fort St., large garage.....\$20
261 Cook store and dwelling.....\$20
637 Pine St., store.....\$20
730 Yates St., 32x17 ft.....\$20
835 View St., warehouse.....\$20
402 Cowichan St., 5 rooms.....\$20
1472 Fort St., 3 rooms.....\$20
817 Broughton St., 9-room house.....\$20
206 Superior St., 7 rooms.....\$20
1722 Bay St., 3 rooms.....\$20

ACREAGE

Colwood, 10 acres, 5 roomed dwell., bath.....\$20
3200 Cadboro Bay, 2 acres, 5 roomed house, barn, etc.....\$20

HOTEL

Ritz Hotel, 100 rooms, bar, dining and kitchen.....\$20

TENDERS RECEIVED FOR NURSES' HOME

Uncertificated Nurses Will Not Be Employed by the Jubilee Hospital

The tenders for the erection of the new wing to the Nurses' Home were received at last evening's meeting of the board of directors of the Provincial Royal Jubilee Hospital, but the matter of awarding the contract was deferred to a later date when several matters requiring additional consideration will be settled.

The house committee reported that after having held an investigation into the matter of the complaint of William Tyson who some weeks ago said that abusive language had been used to him by the secretary when he was admitted to the hospital, that they were of the opinion that no such charge could be laid against Mr. Carver, the secretary.

The matter of the employment of uncertificated nurses in the hospital by patients who desire such an attendant regardless of her standing was also dealt with by the board. It was decided that a regulation should be drawn up stating that only graduates of recognized schools are to be employed by the hospital.

The meeting endorsed the motion to insure the Tuberculosis Ward to the amount of 80 per cent. of its value.

Considerable discussion arose over a suggestion to instal electric light on one of the ward verandas so that in the fine summer months the patients might sit out in the evenings or even sleep there on mild nights. President Day pointed out that he considered that it would be quite within the bounds of reason to imagine that moonlight could serve in place of electric illumination in such cases.

No action was taken in the matter.

ARRIVE TO SPEND WEEK-END HERE FOR THE ALDERMEN

Some Meetings Arranged Next Week; Status of Railway Bridge Application

Hon. George P. Graham, former Minister of Railways and Canals and the Laurier Government, and E. M. Macdonald, K. C., M. P., arrived in the city this morning in company with Senator Bostock, leader of the Opposition in the Upper House. Their business in Victoria is largely of a social character, however advantage is being taken of their presence to hear them at the Canadian Club luncheon on Monday afternoon.

Mr. Graham explained yesterday in the interview wired from Vancouver, that the visiting parliamentarians are making a western tour to look into the physical conditions of the various transcontinental railways in the west. Mr. Graham is regarded as the leading authority in the House of Commons on railway management, voicing the sentiments of the Liberal party when from time to time the railway situation is under discussion. He is making a personal visit preparatory to the interim report expected shortly on the Canadian railways from the Commission which is investigating that phase of the transportation system of Canada.

The party met a number of leading Provincial Liberals in Vancouver yesterday, and the presence of the British Columbia members here in session enabled them to confer with others today.

Hon. Mr. Graham has been so long connected with the public life of Canada, in the political and newspaper field, that his career is familiar to all. Like many other public men he commenced as a public school teacher, then entered journalism, and was managing editor for years of the Brockville Recorder. From 1888 to 1907 he was in the Ontario Legislature, being Provincial Secretary in the last two years of the Ross administration. He was leader of the Law Society in Ontario

MUCH WORK AHEAD FOR THE ALDERMEN

The coming week in municipal circles will be exceptionally busy, as many matters are awaiting attention. On Thursday commences the Civic Court of Revision on the assessment roll.

It has been decided to have a visit paid to Elk Lake on Tuesday afternoon, for the Mayor and Alderman Johns to inspect the conditions at Beaver Lake, and also the dams which will require some attention this year to protect against an accident. On their way back the Water Commissioner will show them the plant at the North Dairy Pumping Station, which it is proposed to sell by retail as opportunity offers.

On Wednesday the proposed meeting of the police commissioners, adjourned from Wednesday of this week, will take place, and probably at some date next week the civic tax delinquency meeting will be held.

The most important matter which will come before the City Council on Monday evening will be the action to be taken with regard to the Esquimalt & Nanaimo Railway application for the Victoria swing bridge. This application will not, it is stated at the City Hall today, have any effect on the other application now before the Railway Commissioners, for a declaration of highway rights on the bridge.

It will be noticed that the new application has been made direct to the board and not through the usual channels of the Department of Public Works, which would entail an order-in-council. Presumably the company assumes that the privilege conferred under the 1887 order-in-council is still good, and that this is merely an application for a replacement. Should this be the case, it will undoubtedly expedite the board's decision on the other application which must be adjudicated upon before the plans would be approved for the new bridge. The copy of the plan accompanying the application shows some modifications, and it is proposed to reconstruct the central pier, removing back, and reconstructing the other piers in order to widen the swing space.

MARCH BLUE AMBEROL RECORDS

Just In.

These are a few of the special hits, but there are 20 others.

Mother—Her Soldier Boy.....No. 3118
Keep Your Eye on the Girls You Love.....No. 3114
Irish Folk Song—Contraalto.....No. 3102
Killarney—Tenor.....No. 3103
Mammy's Little Coal Black Rose.....No. 3116
Flora Bella One-Step.....No. 3111
Everybody Loves an Irish Song.....No. 8107
Carnival of Venice—Accordion.....No. 3108

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COME! By W. B. Nevin, I.R.E.

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NO AUTOMOBILE SHOW IN CITY OF VICTORIA

Dealers Believe Sales Are Hindered; Event to Be Staged in Nanaimo

Reference was made in these columns recently to the proposed Automobile Show, to take place in Victoria under the auspices of the Island Automobile Association. That show was arranged to be open to the general public and the automobile world at large on Monday next, but the plans have not materialized as was anticipated. A letter recently received by Secretary Harris will speak for itself and is reproduced hereunder for the benefit of readers of The Times who had looked forward to a definite announcement of the event referred to.

Dealers Object.

The letter is subscribed to by several dealers in automobiles in the city of Victoria, namely: The Wood Motor Company, Limited; H. Baines, Jameson, Rolfe & Willis, Canadian Consolidated Rubber Co., Ltd.; Beeg Motor Company, Ltd.; H. A. Davie, Dunlop Tire & Rubber Co., Ltd.; Auto Supply Co., Mitchell & Hembroff, J. S. Bowker, Canadian Fairbanks Morse Co., Ltd.; and reads as follows:

"I am instructed by a large number of the automobile dealers in Victoria, as per signatures, to advise you that after giving the proposed automobile show some consideration have come to the conclusion that we would not care to spend the money, time, and so forth owing to the lateness of the season. We might also point out that, from now on will be our very busy season and an auto show would possibly keep many prospective buyers from purchasing. Our reason for writing this letter is to advise you at an early date as possible of our intention of not taking part, therefore you will not be depending upon us." The date of the communication is February 25th.

Show at Nanaimo.

It has been planned to hold a convention and auto show at Nanaimo at a later date, since the people of the northern city are keenly alive to the benefits of the association, and the situation to tourist and automobile business generally, occasioned thereby. The abandonment of the Victoria show now makes it possible to stage the event in Nanaimo at an earlier date than was anticipated; full particulars of which will be made known in due course. The following letter has been received by Secretary Harris from Thomas B. Booth, the secretary of the Nanaimo Board of Trade:

"I have been instructed by the executive committee of the Nanaimo Board of Trade to extend a cordial invitation to your association to hold this year's convention in Nanaimo. Occupying a central position on the Island, and only a short distance from Vancouver, this city is well situated and makes a convenient meeting place for auto owners of the coast cities, who would be assured of a hearty welcome and recep-

Victoria Taxpayers

NEW ORDER RE TAXPAYMENTS

I am authorized by the City Council to accept payments by instalments or by payments from time to time, on account, of the rates and taxes due by any person, or due in respect of any parcel of land.

This authority is extended to include unpaid special assessments and special rates imposed in respect of works of local improvement as provided by Section 43 of the Local Improvement Act.

EDWIN C. SMITH,
Treasurer and Collector of the Corporation of the City of Victoria, B. C.
City Hall, Victoria, B. C., 16th March, 1917.

SELLING ON SUNDAY

Many Cases Brought Before Magistrate Jay in City Police Court.

No less than seven cases of selling articles on Sunday in violation of the Lord's Day Act were brought before Magistrate Jay in the Police Court this morning.

Fred Payne was fined \$1 for selling two bars of chocolate. Mrs. J. C. Han was fined the same sum for selling one bar of chocolate to a child.

Mr.arrison, the prosecutor, pointed out that apparently the Council and the Police Commissioners were interpreting the law to mean that stores which handle groceries and other articles apart from tobacco and confectionery shall be prosecuted, in the event of their selling goods on Sunday.

Magistrate Jay stated that it was the business of the court not the commissioners to interpret the law.

The following Chinese were also penalized: Quain Chong was fined \$10 for selling a package of gum. Hong Lee, Wing and Chong Tie were each fined \$10 for selling cigarettes.

The case of Hong Foy was remanded till Tuesday of next week, when the matter will be fully investigated.

BASKETBALL SCHEDULE

Changes Are Made in Final Games of the League Series.

The following schedule for the remaining games of the city league is here announced:

March 21, at the Y. M. C. A.—Y. M. C. A. vs. Firemen, 8.30 o'clock; High School vs. Presbyterians, 9.30 o'clock.

March 27, at Presbyterian Gymnasium—High School vs. Firemen, 9 o'clock; Y. M. C. A. vs. Presbyterians, 9 o'clock.

April 4, at the High School—Firemen vs. Presbyterians, 9 o'clock; High School vs. Y. M. C. A., 9 o'clock.

STILL NOT INCLUDED

Weekly Bank Clearings for Victoria Not Appearing in Regular Published List.

Notwithstanding the efforts during the past month of the Secretary of the Board of Trade to discover the reason for the omission of Victoria in the published weekly list of Bank Clearings yesterday's returns for the various towns and cities of the Dominion, and of less importance than the city of Victoria, did not include this city. It is understood that these records are distributed by the Western Associated Press in time for publication on Friday morning, such figures including the business of the day previous. Secretary Elworthy has been in communication with the local clearing house, but up to the present he is not in a position to state the reason for the defect.

Demand Phoenix Beer. Home product.

BORN

PENDRY—On March 16th, to Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Pendry, at the residence, 216 Douglas St., a daughter.

DIED

LANGLEY—On March 16th, 1917, Frances, beloved wife of John M. Langley, Chief of Victoria Police, aged 54 years. Born in Victoria, B. C.

The funeral will take place from the Chapel of the R. C. Funeral Co., on Monday, March 19th, at 2.45 p. m., proceeding to the Reformed Episcopal Church, Humboldt St., where service will be conducted at 3 o'clock by the Rev. A. deB. Owen, Internment in Ross Bay Cemetery.

WILL THE GENTLEMAN WHO TOOK WRONG RAILCART IN MISTAKE AFTER DANCE

Hopedwood Hotel, Thursday evening, March 15, communicate with Dan's Sausch Grocery Co., Sluggers' Can, have his own returned.

WANTED—A number one business-giving city salesman

Address 498 Richards Street, Vancouver.

WANTED—A bungalow, fairly small, furnished, partly furnished, or with only a stove, Fairfield, Fowl Bay or James Bay.

Phone 628 between 9 and 5, Box 62, Times Office.

DAUGHTERS OF ST. GEORGE'S

will hold a whist drive Monday, March 19, in K. of G. Hall, Fort Street, commencing at 8.30. Admission 10c. Members refreshments. All strangers welcome. Lodge convenes 7.30.



HON. G. P. GRAHAM, M. P.

JUBILEE HOSPITAL SECURES PATHOLOGIST

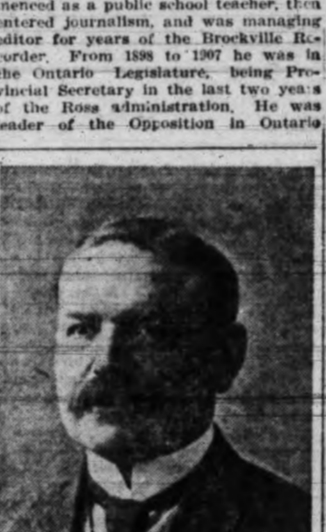
Dr. R. S. Murray, a Graduate of Toronto University, Will Arrive in April

For some time past the Board of the Provincial Royal Jubilee Hospital has been considering the appointment of a specialist to take charge of the pathological work of the institution. During the past few months the matter has been given additional attention by the members and the result was that the board decided to take immediate action with a view to obtaining the services of a capable man for the position. Following advertisements in the leading medical journals of the continent several applications were received, and after due consideration the board decided to appoint Dr. R. S. Murray, B. A., M. D., of San Jose, California.

At last evening's regular meeting of the board a cablegram was read from Dr. Murray accepting the position of pathologist at the hospital at a salary of \$3,500 a year as stipulated by the local directors.

Dr. Murray's past experience is such that the authorities feel confident that the work which he will perform here will be of the highest order of merit. In 1911 he graduated in arts from the University of Toronto, and two years later received his medical degree from the same college. Since then he has assiduously pursued his studies and research work along the lines of pathology, bacteriology, serology and roentgenology. Part of this period of his work has been carried on in the United States in such centres as Boston, Milwaukee, Louisiana and San Jose. While pursuing his researches in Shreveport amounted to over \$400 a month.

In his letter of acceptance the doctor also stated that having acquired his collegiate training in Canada, he was anxious to return to his native land.



E. M. MACDONALD, K. C., M. P.

Have You Seen the seven-jeweled wrist-watches, with unbreakable fronts sold for \$2.00 each, by F. L. Haynes, 1124 Government street?

They're unequalled.

TOO LATE TO CLASSIFY

LOST—By soldier's wife, \$5, in the Market. Finder please return to Box 609, Times.

TO LET—Five roomed, furnished house

with bathroom, two minutes from car, \$12.50. Fourth Street. Phone 6563R.

FOR SALE—Registered Jersey cow

fresh in January. Address R. M. D. L. Royal Oak, Miss Peacock.

FOR SALE—Glanford Orchard lots

at assessed values. Particulars, 467 Lansdowne Street.

ANGLICAN—St. John's, Quadra Street

Rector, Rev. F. A. P. Chadwick, M. A. At 3 p. m., holy communion; 11 a. m., morning prayer; 7.30 p. m., evensong.

RESERVES JUDGMENT

"I will reserve judgment in this case until Tuesday of next week," stated Magistrate Jay in the Police Court this morning, after he had heard the case against James Morgan, who was arraigned on a charge of having stolen a sum of \$8 from Hugh Atkinson, a sailor of H. M. C. S. Rainbow.

Answers to Times Want Ads.

The following replies are being sent to callers for:

18, 61, 62, 61, 92, 157, 173, 207, 220, 231, 31, 50, 418, 423, 461, 519, 520, 521, 567, 576, 585, 720, 7419, 1965.

TOO LATE TO CLASSIFY

DIAGNOSIS—"Have you not often met in society many attractive women whom you would love to make your wives?" Digson Printing Co., 756 Yates Street. Inquiries answered free on card. See box of stationery this week.

DO HOME TO EAT when you can get a nice, tasty lunch of four courses at the Vernon Cafe for \$2.75. Try it once and you will keep on trying it. Tables outside.

OLD-LAWN-MOWERS made to cut better than new by Wilson's electric machine, 614 Cormorant.

BEFORE SELLING your furniture, livestock or merchandise, Phone 248 or 625L, or write Arthur B. Henshaw, C.M.A. Market Auction, and I will call. Disturbance no object.

FURNITURE at Ferris' second hand store. We also buy or sell on commission. 1419 Douglas. Phone 1851.

DON'T FORGET St. Patrick's Dance Saturday, K. of P. Hall, Gents 50c, Ladies 25c. Dancing 8 till 12. Ozard's Orchestra.

THE DOOM OF SATAN and the Great White Throat Judgment. Rev. J. J. H. will be Mr. Robt. Miller's, near Pandora, Sunday evening at 7 p. m. Come and hear him.

FOR SALE—Almost new incubator, cheap. 422 Dallas Rd. Phone 4018.

DON'T FORGET St. Patrick's Dance, Saturday, K. of P. Hall, Gents 50c, Ladies 25c. Dancing 8 till 12. Ozard's Orchestra.

A SOUND INVESTMENT—50 feet on Queen's Avenue, adjoining Douglas St., with 5-roomed house, always rented. Taxes are less than \$50.00 per annum and are all paid up. Price only \$2,000, and title free of encumbrance. See H. D. Miller & Co., Ltd., 1403 Douglas St.

AVONTUR, 638 Michigan Street, half block from Government Buildings and Park. On large suits on grounds, rent also; single room, with bath; tennis court; English billiard table. Terms moderate.

REMOVAL—We have now better facilities and new machinery for lawn mowers, grinding and all kinds of mechanical repairs. Waiter & Knappton, 1411 Douglas. Phone 2132.

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DANCE—Cossauts Ballroom kindly decorated for to-night's St. Patrick's dance. Special Irish music. Gents 50c, ladies free. Dancing 8 to 12.

AUTOMOBILE SNAPS—Ford, delivery truck. McLaughlin, make good delivery. \$250. Hupp roller, \$105. Hupp roadster, \$250. Ford buick, \$235. Revolver Motor Co., 352 Yates St. Phone 692.

MARGAIN IN FORD TIRES—Non-skids, \$15; plain, \$12.50. Revolver Motor Co., 352 Yates St. Phone 692.

MANAGER SIGN CO. is now located at 514 Trounce Avenue. G. H. Betts, m31

FOR RENT—A modern, 7 roomed, partly furnished house, central and near car lines. Apply 212 Vancouver Street, or Phone 2518E.

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PRIVATE SALE—Oak top desk, lavender, easy chair, rug, curtains, lawn mower, oak extension table, preserved fruits, kitchen utensils. Phone 125L for appointment.

TO LET—House, 6 rooms, 602 Quebec St. Phone 2181L.

WANTED—General purpose horse, sound, and quiet in harness; state price and age. Mowbray, Cowichan Station.

OWNER WILL GIVE clear title lots for five roomed bungalow, Fairfield preferred; would assume small mortgage. Box 557, Times.

FOR SALE—A great bargain (to close up an estate), a good 3 story house and large lot. Write X. Y. Z., care of Times Office.

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5000 FOR HATCHING—From pure bred prize stock. \$1.00 up. 422 Dallas Rd. Phone 663L.

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ENTOMOLOGISTS IN ANNUAL MEETING

Interesting Papers at Morning Session To-day; One by Late Mr. T. Wilson

The B. C. Entomological Society met in annual session this morning at the rooms in the Natural History Museum, Parliament Buildings. E. H. Blackmore, the president, was in the chair, and among the visitors present were G. O. Day, A.E.S., of Duncan; R. S. Sherman, of Vancouver; Dr. Seymour Hadwen, Agassiz; Dr. A. S. Cameron, Agassiz, and W. Downes, of Turgoose.

Papers during the morning included the presidential address, following an interesting report by R. C. Treherne, the secretary of the organization; "A Few Notes from Vernon," by M. H. Ruhman, provincial entomologist at Vernon; "Hibernation of Larvae," by J. W. Cocksie; "Collecting in the Okanagan District," W. Downes, and a paper by R. M. Winslow, provincial horticulturist, on the work of the inspection branch for 1917.

The question of mosquito control, a matter of such vital importance to the Lower Fraser Valley and other parts of the province, is being taken up at the afternoon session. Mr. Winslow will discuss the projects now under way in the Provincial Department for the control of insect pests in the Okanagan and elsewhere, and this paper is expected to prove of very great interest.

The President. Mr. E. H. Blackmore, the president, asked condolence for Mr. Tom Wilson who recently lost his life in a fire at Hope; for Arthur Bush, killed in action in France, and Mr. E. Baynes Reed. He also referred to the heroic death of Sgt.-Major Taylor, son of the past president, in France.

Commendation of work of Dr. A. E. Cameron and R. C. Treherne on gear thrip and cabbage maggot was given, recent work in entomology in Canada and United States mentioned, and an outline given of the new taxonomic characters for insect classification.

Hibernation. Mr. T. W. Cocksie, of Kaslo, speaking "Hibernation of Larvae," showed how a common orchard pest known as the oyster shell scale was first brought into Kaslo, 15 years ago, on a consignment of apple trees from Quebec. A severe infestation of the orchards and wild dogwoods and vine maples followed, but examination of the native trees during the past year had shown that the scale has been completely controlled by natural means. A small parasite had apparently brought about this welcome state of affairs.

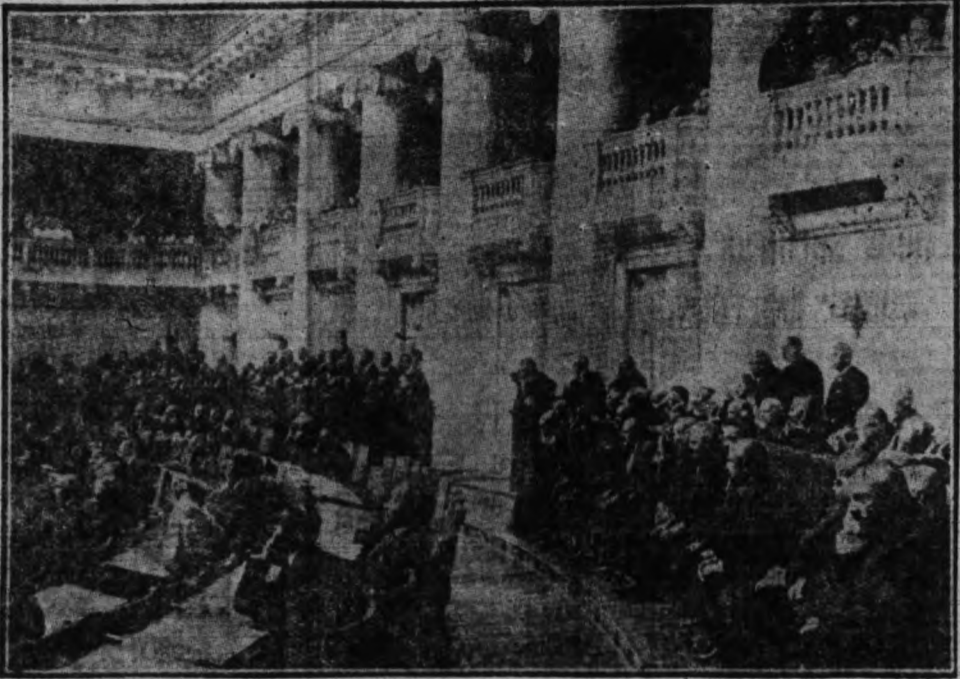
Snow Flea. He also showed how insects which pass the winter in the snow act on the approach of spring. The snow flea, for instance, is active at 30 degrees F., hopping about on the surface of the snow, and if a snowstorm is in progress they hop actively on to the highest points as each flake falls. At 25 degrees F. activity ceases and they get snowed under, possibly to a depth of 23 inches. Three days later as the temperature rises, the fleas were again at the surface, having bored their way upwards in that length of time.

Collecting in Okanagan. W. Downes, of Armstrong, mentioned methods of collecting insects in the Okanagan and showed the members specimens of unique and remarkable captures which he had taken. He illustrated interesting differences in color in the same insect in Okanagan as compared to the coast.

Late Mr. Wilson's Paper. A paper by Mr. Tom Wilson, who recently lost his life at a disastrous fire at Hope, was read before the meeting. He mentioned the peculiar habit the common red ladybird beetle, which may be seen any bright sunny day in any of the gardens, has of migrating in numbers to higher altitudes in the autumn. He knew of pockets in the mountains where these ladybird beetles might be picked up in handfuls during the late summer. They possess a peculiar odor which attracts them together, this accounting for the converging habit. Curiously enough the same places are chosen to pass the winter every year. In the spring these ladybird beetles return to the fields.

Flattering to the Original But Imitations Only Disappoint. There are many imitations of this great treatment for coughs, colds, croup, bronchitis and whooping cough. They usually have some sale on the merits of the original, but it should be remembered that they are like it in name only.

DUMA NOW IN CONTROL IN RUSSIA



The great developments in Russia during the past few days have focussed the attention of the world on the Duma, which is the Russian parliament. The above view shows a corner of the Duma chamber during a session of the body.

Mining Industry Merits Attention. Herbert Cuthbert Speaks of Possibilities That Province Holds. Mr. R. C. Treherne, of the Dominion Department of Agriculture, drew the attention of the members to the presence of several new insect pests which have appeared in the province. Notably the apple maggot, chrysanthemum fly, pea weevil and mangold-aphid. He also stated that the codling moth would shortly present a serious problem to fruitgrowers in the Okanagan, and he advised that orchardists should prepare themselves to fight this pest in the most approved methods when the occasion arose.

MISFORTUNES OF AN UNIQUE BATTALION

Universities Training School at Seaford Unauthorized and Work Declared Invalid. Parents and friends in Victoria of members of the 196th Universities Battalion, a company of which from the four western provinces went to make up its establishment, will be interested to learn the fate of this unique unit. On its arrival in England at the latter part of November last year it was quartered at Seaford, on the south coast, and became organized as an officers' training school.

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Law on Fencing.—The subject of amending the sections of the civic building by-law will be raised by Mayor Todd in City Council Monday. It is not generally known that the by-law calls for fences to be four feet high above the general surface of the ground (this differs from the Trespass Act definition), and that upon notice in writing from the building inspector, the owner or his agent, or the occupier of any unfenced land fronting upon any public street or highway shall immediately cause such unfenced land to be fenced. Another clause provides against any barbed wire fences being erected, or permitted to remain on property.

FROM TEXAS TO JOIN Vancouver Boy Makes the Supreme Sacrifice: Two Brothers Serving at the Front. When war broke out Private Arthur L. Drummond was living in Texas. He journeyed to Vancouver at his own expense to join for service overseas. His father, Robert F. Drummond, of the official staff of the Railway Mail Service, Vancouver, has just received the news that his son was killed in action in France a few days ago. The dead soldier was born in Vancouver twenty-three years ago and has one brother serving in France with the Royal Engineers, while another is with the Bantam Battalion, lately arrived in England.

Fined \$17.50.—Leong Saam was fined \$15 and \$2.50 costs by Magistrate Jay in the Police Court this morning on a charge of being an inmate of an opium den situated on Flanagan Street.

MADAME JOMELLI IS VISITING VICTORIA

Famous Prima Donna Does Great Work Among Prisoners

"We have been looking forward for months to this visit," said Madame Jeanne Jomelli, the distinguished prima donna, who is visiting the city for two or three days accompanied by her husband, Mr. Backus, Mme. Jomelli was here about four years ago and had such pleasant memories of the climate and the city generally that she has always entertained the prospect of a future visit.

Mme. Jomelli was born in Amsterdam, Holland. Her home is now in Riverside, California. "I am a real neutral both by birth and the country of my adoption," she told a Times reporter this morning. "In fact I am so much a neutral that I am not a neutral. My heart is so much against Germany as a nation that I have given up even speaking their language, although I speak it fluently. I cannot sing their music any more. I feel so strongly against them that I could not do their songs justice."

Returned Soldiers.—The following seventeen returned soldiers came in on the afternoon boat: Capt. Brandon, Sergt. Morley, Corp. Falconer, Lance-Corpl. Corfield; Lance-Corpl. Faulkner, Ptes. Hiltch, Campbell, Carst, Collins, Cummins, Mine, Durrand, Gilbert, Holland, Lind, Marit, Teasdale and White.

Obituary Record. The death occurred yesterday afternoon at 519 Cormorant Street of Chin Shun. Deceased, who was 23 years of age, was born in Victoria, and is survived by a wife and two children. The remains are resting at the Thomson Funeral Parlors pending further arrangements.

Personal. C. B. Winter, manager of the Bank of Montreal, Enderby, B. C., has been visiting his son Eric, who is recovering from an operation at St. Joseph's Hospital.

Bombs were Dropped in Rural Districts. Zeppelin Raid on England Last Night Did Not Excite Theatregoers. London, March 17.—The air raid last night was the first visit of zeppelins for four months and it seemed to have been expected, as it failed to cause any excitement even among the home-going theatregoers. The raiders were favored by a dark and moonless night.

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If hard work is sapping your strength—reinforce with BOWRIL

On sale at all Druggists and Stores.

"You have no institution for the blind in Victoria," she said, "but I hear that you do everything for the Red Cross and for the soldiers. I should like to help."

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Advertisement for TO RENT Dairy Farm. 14 miles from Victoria, 42 acres with water frontage, 20 acres seeded, 10 acres ploughed; orchard, house, barns, etc. Will lease for three years.

Advertisement for Give Your Wife and Family a Change. THE TEA KETTLE. Miss M. Woodbridge, Corner Douglas and View Streets, Phone 4098.

Advertisement for CORPORATION OF THE DISTRICT OF SAANICH. WEEKLY HALF-HOLIDAY ACT. Notice is hereby given that every shop within the Municipal District of Saanich shall be closed for the service of customers not later than 1 o'clock every Wednesday afternoon after February 1, 1917.

Advertisement for NOTICE OF DISSOLUTION OF PARTNERSHIP. Notice is hereby given that the partnership heretofore subsisting between us, the undersigned, as "Cookson Plumbing Company," in the City of Victoria, in the Province of British Columbia, has this day been dissolved by mutual consent.

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS.

FUEL FOR PUBLIC BUILDINGS. SEALED TENDERS will be received by the Honourable the Minister of Public Works up to 12 o'clock noon on Friday, 23rd day of March, 1917, for supplying and delivering coal required for the Provincial Government Buildings, as enumerated hereunder, during the fiscal year ending 31st March, 1918, to be delivered in such quantities and at such times as may be directed during the period above stated.

SEALED TENDERS, super-scribed "Tenders for School Desks," will be received by the Honourable the Minister of Public Works up to 12 o'clock noon on Monday, 27th day of March, 1917, for supplying the following desks:

Table with 2 columns: Size No., Single Desks, Price. Rows include Size No. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50.

SHERIFF'S SALE. Lucky Jim Zinc Mines, Limited, Shares. Under and by virtue of a Writ of Fieri Facias issued out of the Supreme Court of British Columbia, and to me directed, against the goods and chattels of G. Weever Loper, I have seized 11,394 shares in the Lucky Jim Zinc Mines, Limited, standing in the name of G. Weever Loper, in the books of the said Company.

Sale of Bantams' Barracks Buildings. On Monday, the 19th inst., at 10 a.m., these Buildings will be sold by Public Auction, separately, in the grounds, Beacon Hill Park, to the highest bidder. Full information as to the sale will be given before the sale commences.

Second Hand Auto Wanted. Sealed tenders will be received by the undersigned up to 4 p.m. on Monday, March 19, 1917, for one second-hand automobile, not less than 45 h.p. for the Fire Department. Tenders must give full particulars as to price, make, etc. Specifications can be seen at the office of the City Purchasing Agent, to whom all tenders must be addressed, and marked on outside of envelope "Tenders for Second-Hand Auto."

Potatoes Down
Fine Selected Local Potatoes
100-pound sack
\$2.50

Table listing various food items and their prices: SMALL BROWN BEANS, B. & K. WHEAT, GHIRARDELLI'S DUTCH COCOA, SUNKIST GRAPE FRUIT, 'DIXIE' CEYLON TEA, ST. CHARLES MILK, LOCAL EGGS, HONEY, C. & B. SOUPS, SHIRRIFF'S JELLY POWDERS, QUAKER PEAS, and SELECTED OYSTERS.

DIXIE'S
Quality Grocers, 1317 Government St.
Phone 50, 51, 52, Liquor 15

Messrs. Stewart Williams & Co.
Duty instructed by Miss E. G. Charlton, will sell by Public Auction at her residence, 521 Burdette Avenue, on Tuesday, March 20, at 2 o'clock the whole of her Household Furniture, Household Linen, etc.

Square grand piano, by Kranich & Bach, of New York; oak extension table, oak secretary bookcase, oak diners, several oak rockers and arm chairs, small settee, fire-guards, curtains, Brussels and other carpets, rugs, beds, brasses, springs and top mattresses, bureau in oak and ash, toilet ware, mirrors, 3 trunks, oak library table, 5-fold screen, umbrella stand, Gurney, Oxford range, cooking utensils, cutlery, glassware, crockery, jam jars, electric iron, carpet sweeper, linen chest, garden tools, lawn mower, rollers, flower pots and a large quantity of household linen, pillows, blankets, comforters, etc.

FARMERS' INSTITUTE
Field-Crop Competition to Come Up for Discussion at Future Meeting.

South Saanich Farmers' Institute held their monthly meeting in the Temperance Hall, Keating, last evening. President Stevenson in the chair. The seed-cleaning demonstration, which was to have taken place the latter part of February did not materialize owing to weather conditions, but it is the intention of the institute to apply to the department for a date in the near future. The question of the field-crop competition was laid on the table until the next meeting, and a letter from the National Council of the Y. M. C. A. elicited very hearty expressions of sympathy with the patriotic work of the Military Service Department of this organization, to which the sum of \$19 was voted with a private donation of \$2 from S. Spencer, of Sidney.

LENTEN SERMONS
First Presbyterian Church
Cor. Quadra and Fisgard. During the next three Sundays, D. V.
Rev. Jno. Gibson Inker, B. A. will deal with the question, "Can We Follow the Teaching and Example of Jesus To-day?" HIS SUBJECTS WILL BE: SUNDAY, MARCH 18, 11 a. m.—"Does Love Do Away With Law and Order?" 7:30 p. m.—"Does Religion Make a Man a Crook?" SUNDAY, MARCH 19, 11 a. m.—"Does Love of Self Breed Selfishness?" 7:30 p. m.—"Does Forgiveness Make a Man a Slave?" SUNDAY, APRIL 1, 11 a. m.—"Must a Christian Give Up the World?" 7:30 p. m.—"Patriotic service." Special speaker, Wm. McNell, of Vancouver. The people are invited to these services. Cut this out and keep for future reference.

IRON ORE DEPOSITS
SUBJECT OF DEBATE
Development of Steel Industry Dealt With by Mining Institute

The chief subjects before the western branch of the Canadian Mining Institute, at its sessions in Vancouver, were the question of an iron and steel industry in British Columbia, and the progress made in the treatment of ores during recent years. The organizer of technical education, John Kyle, gave an address on "The Necessity of Technical Education in the High Schools of the Mining Districts," pointing out that as things now stood, boys and girls left school in the intermediate grades, and became what he described as "vocational hoboes." He advocated greater interest in technical education.

Reports were given by Mr. Nicol Thompson of analyses he had received from England—of British—Columbian ores which showed that they were of a high standard and that there would be little or no difficulty in producing the best steel from them. Francis A. Thomson, head of the department of mining engineering State College of Washington, read a paper on "Five Years of Progress in Metallurgy." The death of the eccentric Welshman who had voluntarily abstained from speech for 20 years reminds us that the Hungarian patriot Ferencz Rennyi, whose fame lives in E. Nesbit's "Ballad of Splendid Silence," observed a like self-imposed abstinence for a like period. Taken prisoner by the Austrians during the rebellion of 1849, Rennyi was ordered to reveal the hiding place of his men who were still at liberty. He declined to answer, and though, to compel a reply, his mother, sister and sweetheart were shot before him, he heroically kept silence, and never throughout his remaining years spoke another word.—London Chronicle.

A. EDWARD TULK IN ANSWER TO MR. COOKE

Allegation That Clergyman Made False Statements When Preaching on Prohibition

On March 5 the Times published a report of a sermon delivered in Vancouver by Rev. A. E. Cooke, who vehemently attacked Mr. A. E. Tulk, counsel for the Anti-Prohibitionists, and severely criticized the soldiers voting. Mr. Tulk has answered and forwarded us a copy of his letter which in justice to both sides should be published. "Rev. A. E. Cooke—Dear Sir,—As I telephoned you last evening, it is incumbent upon me to reply to your discourse of last Sunday night in the Central Congregational Church. I do this with some reluctance, partly because it is not usual to reply to statements made by ministers of the Gospel from the pulpit and also because it is conducive to the notoriety which you have always sought by means of sensational utterances afterwards reported in the daily press. "I notice the text of your sermon (I describe it as a sermon because it is so called by the press) was chosen by you from the Sixtieth Psalm: 'Thou hast given a banner to them that fear Thee that it may be displayed because of the Truth.' This was surely an unfortunate selection on your part for the reason that the fundamental statements on which your address was based were absolutely false. I would not like to say you would make a deliberately false statement, but I do submit that the least can be said is that you were extremely negligent, particularly when the truth was so easily ascertained, but in either case the result is the same inasmuch as those citizens who have heard and read your remarks are misinformed and, therefore, misled. "For the sake of convenience and simplicity it might be well to divide your somewhat disjointed effusion into six paragraphs in order that my reply and explanation may be made as logical as possible. Uniform Not Worn. "1. You stated that I had traveled this country and to England and back in His Majesty's uniform to defend the liquor trade; and as this was the keynote of your whole discourse it means that your entire speech must be eliminated. The statement is absolutely false. From the time I received leave of absence from my regiment, leaving Vancouver in October, and until the time I returned to Vancouver in December and reported for duty I did not at any time wear the King's uniform. Says Act Is Un-British. "2. With reference to the leaflets issued by the Anti-Prohibition Association, having the British flag engraved thereon, you stated that such 'declared ten times over that the movement to prohibit the traffic of strong drink in British Columbia is un-British.' This statement does not appear on the pamphlet in question; therefore again your entire argument on this point is based upon false premises. The pamphlet, however, did state that the B. C. Prohibition Act was un-British on account of certain provisions contained therein and referred to as follows: "(a) The right to search the home of a citizen without a warrant. "(b) Ous of proof upon the accused. "(c) Absence of compensation. You will, I am sure, admit that there is quite a difference between the statement that the movement in favor of prohibition is un-British and the statement that certain sections of the B. C. Prohibition Act were un-British in principle. Premier Brewster's Views. "Your reference to the Premier, Hon. H. C. Brewster, permits me to refer you to his statement in the Legislature on the evening of May 26 last, in discussing certain sections of the B. C. Prohibition Act, and in which his exact words were as follows: "There are many features of this legislation not in the best interests of our people. As an example, I refer to the burden of proof which should not be on the accused as in this act, because this is wrong and un-British principle." "This same criticism was made by many leading Conservatives on the floor of the House as well as by Mr. Brewster and, strange as it may seem, after reading your abuse of Mr. Bowser, the latter was the only member who attempted to defend the sections of the act under criticism. I do not say that Mr. Bowser supported the B. C. Prohibition Act any more than I can say Mr. Brewster did. I believe both leaders of the two political parties said it was a matter for the electorate to decide. With reference to compensation, it is necessary for me to say anything in support of the statement that prohibition without compensation is un-British. The authority you quote, Hon. Lloyd George, has repeatedly stated that prohibition without compensation is unthinkable. Premier Lloyd George. "3. Your statements as to the utterances of Lloyd George are entirely erroneous. In an address concerning the shortage of munitions early in the war Lloyd George said that the abuse of liquor by certain munition workers rendered such men as great an enemy to the state as the armies of Prussia and Austria. "This statement therefore has been distorted by Prohibition agitators to mean that the liquor trade were greater enemies to the state than

Germany and Austria. Lloyd George never meant to convey any such impression and I quote you now from his speech a week ago in the British House of Parliament, and in his exact words. "Let me say this at once. The government is bound to recognize the patriotic spirit in which those who had engaged in the (liquor) business had faced all restrictions which hampered them. . . . It would not be fair for me not to recognize that at once. They had accepted all this interference in the most laudable spirit of determination to do all in their power to contribute to the safety of the nation and they did it." "This quotation is surely a sufficient reply to your statement as to the attitude of Lloyd George. Soldier Vote. "4. You state that the fact that the Prohibition referendum was to be submitted to the men who went overseas was beautifully concealed from the public and the Prohibitionists. Again this statement is absolutely false. "(a) Months before the Prohibition Bill was brought down the Premier had announced his determination to give the franchise to the soldiers provided arrangements would permit. "(b) On May 23 the Prohibition Act and the Military Forces Voting Act received their second reading concurrently, the Military Forces Voting Act without division. The only criticism came from Mr. M. A. Macdonald, who thought that no soldier should vote before the age of 21 years, and from Mr. W. R. MacLean (Nelson), and H. H. Forster (Columbia), both strong anti-Prohibitionists, who thought that the Military Forces Voting Act should be amended. "(c) To say that the parliamentary representatives and the executive of the People's Prohibition Act did not know the provisions of the Military Forces Voting Act before it was passed in the House, would be to say something emphatically untrue. The truth of the matter is that the Prohibitionists believed that the soldiers were in favor of Prohibition, at any rate they had represented such to the Premier and his executive, and even stated that 80 per cent of the soldiers were in favor of the Prohibition Bill. The Prohibition Act and the Military Forces Voting Act were shown to the representatives of the Merchants' Protective Association, nor were they consulted in any way or allowed to suggest any amendment or added provision to them. Prohibitionists' Position. "Before the final reading of the Prohibition Act a meeting was held at prohibition headquarters in which discussion was indulged in freely by the twenty-six members present. I refer you to the Province of May 25, in which the following appears in report of such meeting: "The extension of the referendum to the soldiers was not objected to as the opinion was felt that the soldier vote was a proper one and that both in British Columbia and in France the soldier vote would be in favor of the measure. "Note—While making comment on the wearing of the King's uniform (to which I have already replied) it seems strange to me that you did not refer to the Rev. (Capt.) J. S. Henderson, who you must know during the Prohibition campaign superintended the taking of the soldiers' votes in many military camps on behalf of Prohibition and wore a uniform. I am not criticizing the Rev. Mr. Henderson for this, but as I have already said, it seems to me only fair that you should have drawn attention to it while on this subject, for no doubt you intended the criticism of my supposed action to apply to him because the fault if any would be the same. "5. With reference to your statement as to irregularities as to the taking of the soldiers' vote in England and France, may I humbly suggest that there is as much truth in this as there is in the other statements made which I have just discussed. Rev. Mr. Cooke's Letter. "6. With reference to the proposed B. C. Prohibition Act, let me quote you from your own letter in the World of June 29, 1915: "I notice in your columns of yesterday's date a report of this Prohibition meeting. . . . In this report my name figures very prominently as having unqualifiably endorsed the B. C. Prohibition Act, which is so far from accurate that I must ask the privilege of space in your columns to correct it. . . . I emphatically said that there were certain sections which were unsatisfactory and which must be amended before it is put into force. . . . These objectionable sections I understood to be due not to the men who drafted the bill but to the concessions which were forced upon them by the Premier." Rev. Mr. Craig's Letter. "Now let me refer you to another eminent divine and friend of yours, Rev. J. R. Craig, who in a Prohibitionist address in Ward Five was reported in the Daily Province, July 15, as stating that the Prohibition Bill was full of jokers which got in somewhere in Vancouver or Victoria, and further "there are Prohibitionists in this Province who are not Prohibitionists at heart, but are in for their own personal gains. If there is anything wrong with the Prohibition Bill the guilt of it lies at the door of the Prohibition Executive." "It is interesting, therefore, to compare your statement with that of Mr. Craig. You state what is wrong with the Prohibition Bill is the fault of Mr. Bowser. Mr. Craig says it is the fault of the Prohibition Executive. "The point, however, I wish to make is that the British Columbia Prohibition Act has not been amended in any manner since it was drawn. The Bill was initiated under misrepresentation, introduced for the political advancement of its agitators, is un-British in principle, was never intended to prohibit, and would not prohibit the sale and consumption of liquor. Surely it is somewhat remarkable to find this Bill now having your enthusiastic praise in view of your former criticism and your masterly inactivity during the

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SHORTAGE OF LABOR IN ATLIN DISTRICT

Placer Camp Will Want Men This Season, Says Manager of Columbian Mines
Placer mining in the Atlin camp will show very little development this year, either in the way of additional operations or methods of handling the pay gravel, Paul W. Greyer, general manager of the Columbian Mines Company on Pine Creek, told the Times last evening. Mr. Greyer is in the city with Mrs. Greyer en route from the East. It was gathered from his remarks that the amount of the output of the Columbian mines will be about the same in 1917 as last season, but that in company with all the operators around Atlin, a serious shortage of labor is anticipated. "We could not get the necessary men last year," he stated, "and the prospective situation this year will be worse, because with times so good across the line, Americans will not go up north. There is little reciprocity in men between Alaska and the Canadian side in the summer season, since owing to the circumstances of a placer camp which is only operating a portion of the year, the practice is for the men to cross to the Yukon and Alaska for the winter. Last year I had 35 expert miners go away, awaiting for the war, and it is not easy to replace them by men capable of doing the work." Scarcity of water has always been a problem with this camp, and although the Columbian mines use the Surprise Lake as a reservoir, Mr. Greyer says it entirely depends how the snow falls and how it goes away in the spring as to what precipitation it leaves for the work of the summer season. He pointed out that much misunderstanding existed among people who have no experience of storing snow water as to the effects of atmospheric conditions, and that he would like to have it understood that many circumstances enter into the water supply conditions of that camp. In other words a heavy snowfall this year does not necessarily result in abundance of water. Mr. Greyer holds out no immediate prospect of any lode mining, and says the Atlin district will continue to maintain the rank which it has possessed for some time as a leading producer of placer gold.

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