

BUILDING RECORD SMASHED DURING YEAR JUST CLOSED

Over Million and Half Expended in Erection of New Structures During 1909, and New Year Promises Even Greater Achievements.

Relapsing all previous records for building progress in the history of Victoria, the year 1909 closes with a promise for even a better showing in 1910. The figures given below constitute a detailed statement for the year kindly given by Wm. W. Northcott, the building inspector, who also explained how the record this year compares with others.

Trustees of Methodist church, dwelling, Johnson street, \$4,900. Trustees Methodist church, church, Chatham street, \$1,800. S. A. Roberts, dwelling, McClure street, \$1,700. Bell & Rolland, dwelling, Douglas street, \$1,850. Bell & Rolland, dwelling, Work street, \$1,850. J. M. Mellis, dwelling, Ladysmith street, \$1,800. W. Bergstrom, dwelling, St. James street, \$150. John Greenwood, dwelling, Pender street, \$1,000. Margaret Stewart, dwelling, Cook street, \$2,800. A. McCrimmon, dwelling, Richardson street, \$2,800. Mrs. L. Reid, dwelling, Harbinger road, \$2,800. A. Balfour, dwelling, Fort street, \$1,800. W. H. Harris, dwelling, Richardson street, \$2,200. A. Brack, addition, Elford street, \$200. Eliza Lineham, dwelling, Hilda and Chester streets, \$2,750. Lee Cheong, store, Johnson street, \$680. J. J. Mace, stable, Work street, \$200. Mr. Archer, dwelling, Basil street, \$1,600. Parfitt Bros., dwelling, Fernwood street, \$2,400. Parfitt Bros., dwelling, Vining street, \$1,800. George Freeman, dwelling, Alpha street, \$1,300. A. McNaughton, dwelling, Flisgard street, \$1,400. W. Whelling, dwelling, Pandora avenue, \$2,200. Moore & Whittington, dwelling, Princess avenue, \$1,850. H. Erb, dwelling, Niagara street, \$1,100. J. W. Church, school, Niagara street, \$750. J. Fairall, dwelling, Menzies street, \$1,950. P. F. Keon, dwelling, Queen's avenue, \$1,200. James Keown, dwelling, Mills street, \$500. C. L. Nicholas, dwelling, Medina street, \$1,800. Hescott Bros., dwelling, Market street, \$1,800. T. H. Slater, dwelling, Amphion street, \$250. H. J. Bryan, Princess avenue, \$900. Fraser & Co., store, Bastion square, \$2,500. S. Horne, dwelling, Easton street, \$500. H. P. Griffin, dwelling, Hillside avenue, \$500. W. A. Smith, dwelling, Vancouver street, \$2,500. L. A. Berkeley, store, Fort street, \$850. J. LeSueur, both room, \$250. C. E. Dunaway, addition, Chamberlain street, \$200. D. Arnason, addition, Basil avenue, \$100. Mrs. C. E. Bamfield, dwelling, Skinner street, \$1,800. C. R. Thompson, dwelling, Pembroke street, \$1,700. J. Petticrew, dwelling, Washington avenue, \$200. F. Farland, dwelling, Fairfield road, \$2,700. B. C. Land Investment Co., lavatory, Johnson street, \$600. W. Noble, dwelling, Ontario street, \$1,500. M. Aitken, dwelling, Ontario street, \$1,550. Following is a comparative statement for the past two years, showing the building progress month by month:

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A. B. McNeill, dwelling, Grant street, \$800. H. Callow, greenhouse, Fort street, \$500. R. Luckie, dwelling, Morrison street, \$2,200. E. G. Brown, dwelling, Princess avenue, \$1,900. Dunford & Matthews, dwelling, Chamberlain street, \$5,600. Capt. D. McIntosh, dwelling, McBride avenue, \$2,500. R. Watson, dwelling, Belmont avenue, \$1,500. W. J. Dandridge, dwelling, Fell street, \$1,200. W. C. Moresby, dwelling, Richards street, \$3,000. W. Baylis, dwelling, Robertson street, \$2,000. H. M. Cooper, dwelling, Denman street, \$1,500. A. W. Elliott, dwelling, Pandora avenue, \$2,700. Challoner, Mitchell & Brown, store and offices, Yates street, \$3,000. R. E. James, dwelling, Princess avenue, \$2,500. T. Bickie, dwelling, Pandora avenue, \$2,500. Bullman Allison Co., machine shop, rear of Montreal bank, \$600. J. A. Jeeves, dwelling, Rose street, \$2,700. Misses O'Brien, dwelling, Chester street, \$2,000. C. J. Deacon, dwelling, Manchester street, \$2,000. G. Green, dwelling, Chapman street, \$800. D. R. Reid, dwelling, Springfield avenue, \$1,500. Mrs. E. Wilkerson, dwelling, Langford street, \$1,500. S. F. Cole, dwelling, Denman street, \$900. Mrs. F. McLean, dwelling, Cedar Hill road, \$1,800. Moore & Whittington, dwelling, Harbinger avenue, \$2,700. Scott & Peden, dwelling, Fairfield road, \$2,700. J. Porter, addition, Frances avenue, \$400. P. Laurie, plumbing shop, Esquimalt road, \$600. C. Silvert, addition, Denman street, \$400. C. L. Lyons, dwelling, Vancouver street, \$3,250. A. H. Mitchell, dwelling, Niagara street, \$1,900. A. C. Burdick, garage, Rupert street, \$200. Miss C. Thomas, addition, Michigan street, \$500. Mrs. Stewart, dwelling, Seaview street, \$600. Mrs. J. Clark, blacksmith shop, Cormorant street, \$1,000. Bell and Rolland, dwelling, Edmonson street, \$1,000. J. P. Burgess, dwelling, Princess street, \$400. F. H. Fisher, dwelling, Hillside avenue, \$300. Bannerman & Home, store and rooms, Broad street, \$22,000. Mrs. W. Lang, alterations, Avon road, \$250. Mrs. E. Woolridge, dwelling, Denman road, \$1,500. D. Madden, dwelling, Flisgard street, \$1,400. A. Hewlett, dwelling, Oxford street, \$350. Elizabeth Van Ness, dwelling, Faithful street, \$800. C. W. Williams, dwelling, Haultain street, \$300. St. Saviour's church, alterations, Henry street, \$420. J. H. Norman, dwelling, Ladysmith street, \$450. Miss G. S. V. York, dwelling, Flisgard street, \$1,700. W. Burkholder, addition, Blanchard street, \$200. J. R. Gren, addition, Superior street, \$1,900. Belmont Boot & Shoe Co., alterations, Yates street, \$350. D. H. Bale, dwelling, Richmond street, \$2,600. Mrs. Sigurdson, dwelling, Haighton street, \$450. E. S. Gray, dwelling, Blackwood street, \$250. National Finance Co., dwelling, Princess avenue, \$2,400. J. H. Gray, bathhouse, Victoria Crescent, \$300. J. H. Gray, tea room, Victoria Crescent, \$300. Mrs. J. McDonald, dwelling, South Turner street, \$450. J. Dinworth, barn, Carr street, \$100. City of Victoria, pump house, Herald street, \$3,550. T. Deakin, dwelling, Southgate street, \$1,900. Mr. Royal Milling Co., warehouse, Store street, \$300. Twong Jee Way, cabins, Herald street, \$2,200. E. Brydon, dwelling, Alpha street, \$1,950. E. Williams, dwelling, Green street, \$1,000. J. Greenwood, dwelling, Vancouver street, \$2,500. National Finance Co., dwelling, Princess avenue, \$2,700. Prudential Investment Co., dwelling, Princess avenue, \$2,200. G. McCandish, dwelling, Queen's avenue, \$1,800. H. C. Martin, dwelling, Dundas street, \$1,800. Mrs. Stoddart, barn, \$100. Mrs. T. Smith, dwelling, Victoria Crescent, \$300. J. L. Hornibrook, dwelling, Alpha street, \$1,000. Mrs. F. L. Wright, dwelling, Cowichan street, \$800. W. C. Holt, dwelling, Burnside road, \$1,850. Masonic Temple Association, hall, Cormorant street, \$15,000. E. Smehurst, dwelling, Grahame street, \$300. Watson & McGregor, stores, Johnson street, \$800. Wilkerson & Brown, green house, Cook street, \$1,000. M. H. Dobie, dwelling, South Turner street, \$2,500. W. N. Mitchell, store, Yates street, \$500. A. Lewis, rooming house, Yates street, \$1,300. Dr. G. A. B. Hall, dwelling, Collijson street, \$2,800.

K. Sharp, dwelling, Trutch street, \$3,000. W. Rowans, store and offices, Broad street, \$3,500. C. J. Brown, dwelling, Hereward street, \$1,000. Lim Dang, stable, Herald street, \$600. R. L. Drury, dwelling, Foul Bay road, \$6,000. J. Cochrane, dwelling, Linden avenue, \$4,000. E. Gillman, dwelling, McPherson avenue, \$2,300. R. McDonald, dwelling, Malian street, \$900. D. E. Whittaker, dwelling, Richardson street, \$2,600. A. J. Woodward, warehouse, Yates street, \$18,000. W. S. Newman, dwelling, Skinner street, \$2,000. R. E. Blakeway, dwelling, King road, \$1,700. R. E. Blakeway, dwelling, Chamberlain avenue, \$2,150. W. J. Cullin, dwelling, Fairfield road, \$2,500. H. A. Butler, dwelling, Prior street, \$800. A. W. Bridgman, dwelling, Barclay street, \$2,500. Nelson Bennick & Sons, dwelling, Richardson street, \$3,000. Dunford & Matthews, dwelling, street, \$2,300. Matthew Christie, theatre, street, \$2,500. E. Walker, dwelling, street, \$200. J. Todd, addition, Pine street, \$100. J. R. Saunders, stable, Penrose street, \$1,700. D. Smith, dwelling, Pandora avenue, \$1,500. W. J. Gilliland, dwelling, Pembroke street, \$2,300. W. J. Gilliland, dwelling, Pembroke street, \$2,300. F. H. Stephenson, dwelling, Cook street, \$3,250. C. Boniface, dwelling, Chapman street, \$450. Dunford & Son, dwelling, Burnsides street, \$2,700. L. E. Gooding, private hotel, Douglas street, \$10,000. Pemberton & Son, stores and offices, Broad street, \$250,000. E. H. Gillespie, dwelling, Foul Bay road, \$5,000. Woodworkers, Ltd., planning mill, Douglas street, \$6,000. Engstrom & Cole, dwelling, Prior street, \$1,200. Mrs. O. Warner, dwelling, Alston road, \$275. E. E. Hardwick, dwelling, Chamberlain road, \$1,200. C. E. White, dwelling, Henry street, \$1,100. A. E. Thompson, dwelling, Edmonson road, \$475. H. D. Woodie, dwelling, Simcoe street, \$500. S. Shanks, dwelling, street, \$1,200. Mrs. M. E. Dooley, dwelling, Yates street, \$2,500. Engstrom and Cole, addition, Grabham street, \$200. C. Mallandane, dwelling, Montreal street, \$1,700. J. Gordon, dwelling, Linden avenue, \$4,000. W. J. Hanna, dwelling, Camosun street, \$1,700. W. Warburton, dwelling, Cook street, \$1,500. McPherson and Fullerton Bros., dwelling, Beachwood street, \$2,300. R. Hall, dwelling, May street, \$300. Chong Tong Kok, dwelling, Cormorant street, \$1,750. Mrs. J. Clark, blacksmith shop, Cormorant street, \$1,000. Bell and Rolland, dwelling, Edmonson street, \$1,000. J. P. Burgess, dwelling, Princess street, \$400. F. H. Fisher, dwelling, Hillside avenue, \$300. Bannerman & Home, store and rooms, Broad street, \$22,000. Mrs. W. Lang, alterations, Avon road, \$250. Mrs. E. Woolridge, dwelling, Denman road, \$1,500. D. Madden, dwelling, Flisgard street, \$1,400. A. Hewlett, dwelling, Oxford street, \$350. Elizabeth Van Ness, dwelling, Faithful street, \$800. C. W. Williams, dwelling, Haultain street, \$300. St. Saviour's church, alterations, Henry street, \$420. J. H. Norman, dwelling, Ladysmith street, \$450. Miss G. S. V. York, dwelling, Flisgard street, \$1,700. W. Burkholder, addition, Blanchard street, \$200. J. R. Gren, addition, Superior street, \$1,900. Belmont Boot & Shoe Co., alterations, Yates street, \$350. D. H. Bale, dwelling, Richmond street, \$2,600. Mrs. Sigurdson, dwelling, Haighton street, \$450. E. S. Gray, dwelling, Blackwood street, \$250. National Finance Co., dwelling, Princess avenue, \$2,400. J. H. Gray, bathhouse, Victoria Crescent, \$300. J. H. Gray, tea room, Victoria Crescent, \$300. Mrs. J. McDonald, dwelling, South Turner street, \$450. J. Dinworth, barn, Carr street, \$100. City of Victoria, pump house, Herald street, \$3,550. T. Deakin, dwelling, Southgate street, \$1,900. Mr. Royal Milling Co., warehouse, Store street, \$300. Twong Jee Way, cabins, Herald street, \$2,200. E. Brydon, dwelling, Alpha street, \$1,950. E. Williams, dwelling, Green street, \$1,000. J. Greenwood, dwelling, Vancouver street, \$2,500. National Finance Co., dwelling, Princess avenue, \$2,700. Prudential Investment Co., dwelling, Princess avenue, \$2,200. G. McCandish, dwelling, Queen's avenue, \$1,800. H. C. Martin, dwelling, Dundas street, \$1,800. Mrs. Stoddart, barn, \$100. Mrs. T. Smith, dwelling, Victoria Crescent, \$300. J. L. Hornibrook, dwelling, Alpha street, \$1,000. Mrs. F. L. Wright, dwelling, Cowichan street, \$800. W. C. Holt, dwelling, Burnside road, \$1,850. Masonic Temple Association, hall, Cormorant street, \$15,000. E. Smehurst, dwelling, Grahame street, \$300. Watson & McGregor, stores, Johnson street, \$800. Wilkerson & Brown, green house, Cook street, \$1,000. M. H. Dobie, dwelling, South Turner street, \$2,500. W. N. Mitchell, store, Yates street, \$500. A. Lewis, rooming house, Yates street, \$1,300. Dr. G. A. B. Hall, dwelling, Collijson street, \$2,800.

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ER OF THE HEALTH OFFICER ROBERTSON AND ISOLATION HOSPITAL. Reasons Why He Asked for Dismissal of the Matron.

Dr. Hermann Robertson, medical health officer, has handed the appended letter to the Times for publication. It is dated December 20th, and has, therefore, been before the board of health for ten days. Dr. Robertson says his letter has elicited no reply, nor has action been informed that any definite action is promised in the immediate future. He feels that, in justice to himself, the public should be made aware that he, as officer in charge of the welfare of the city in respect to measures for the protection of health, has done every thing in his power to place the affairs of the Isolation hospital on a proper basis, and has therefore asked the Times to publish the letter which is as follows:

Dear Sirs,—At a special meeting of the local board of health held December 15th, 1909, I made certain observations regarding the actions of the matron of the Isolation hospital, and in order that there may be no misunderstanding regarding my statements, I beg to be allowed the privilege of restating the main points of my complaints in respect to Mrs. King's failure in duty to myself, as head of the hospital, and to the parents of the child against whose nurse she makes a very grave charge. The child in question was admitted to the hospital under the care of Dr. George Hall, suffering from a malignant type of diphtheria, and died on 13th July, 1909. On Sunday, 7th November, 1909, nearly four months afterwards, the mother of the child telephoned to me and informed me that Mrs. King had just rung her up and had told her that the child had been ill-used by the nurse in charge of it. This was the first intimation I had of the alleged ill-treatment of the little patient, and immediately I proceeded to the hospital, and in the presence of Mr. and Mrs. King, the nurse in question and her brother, I repeated the accusation Mrs. King had reported to me, in the presence of the above-mentioned parties, that she had told the child's mother that day of the alleged ill-treatment it had suffered at the hands of the nurse I decided that the charge was of such a grave nature as could only be satisfactorily investigated by a court of law. Mrs. King and the nurse flatly contradicted each other. What I charge against Mrs. King is her failure to have at once reported to me, as head of the institution, the circumstances of the alleged offences, as I have there to see that all patients receive the best attention and kindest care. But she allowed nearly four months to elapse before she divulged her ill-treatment of the little patient, and then not to the child's mother, from whom I gained the information.

except to inform the mayor of the above facts I did not say either in the matter, as it was to come before the courts. Within the last two weeks her attitude towards me has been in the scariest fever, so far as to attack me within the hearing of the patients in the scarlet fever ward, applying very insulting epithets. And for these reasons, and that many of the nurses have from time to time been subjected to her overbearing and inconsistent treatment, I feel that I have good grounds for asking for her removal. I feel that I cannot repose the confidence which should exist between the medical officer and his matron in charge. I have the honor to be, Sir, your obedient servant.

MORSE'S FIGHT FOR FREEDOM. New York, Dec. 31.—United States Judge Lacombe yesterday granted a stay of execution of sentence in the case of Charles W. Morse, the convicted banker, until next Monday, when Morse's Attorney, Martin W. Littleton, will argue his motion on a writ of error. —The funeral of the late Frederick G. La Penotiere took place Thursday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock from the parlors of the E. C. Funeral Furnishing Company, under the auspices of St. Andrew's Lodge, A. F. and A. M. Services were conducted at the parlors by Rev. C. E. Cooper. The hymn "Nearer My God to Thee" was sung. At the graveside the last rites of the Masonic order were conducted by Worshipful Master Bro. G. T. Fox, assisted by Chaplain Bro. C. E. Cooper. The following members of the Masonic Lodge acted as pallbearers: Henry Croft, C. E. Hayward, F. H. Hewlings, J. H. McGregor, R. C. Wilson and S. C. Cooper.

BUILDING RECORD SMASHED DURING YEAR JUST CLOSED (Continued) Tong Shung & street, \$6,700. Mrs. C. Allyn, garage street, \$800. J. C. Ross, garage, \$5,000. Miss Lawson, avenue, \$2,500. McCallister B. street, \$700. Moore & Whittaker, Victoria, Brev Douglas street, \$600. W. Kersey, avenue, \$1,800. G. W. Mosher, \$4,500. Mrs. R. A. Mc Hill road, \$1,500. F. Butcher, \$700. S. Bell, add \$1,800. Sisters St. Ann \$80,000. Major Adair, \$3,000. H. M. Lees, \$700. D. Hallam, dw \$4,000. M. Dixon, dw \$1,800. L. J. J. Douv street, \$200. D. C. Hutchinson street, \$2,400. T. Cowan, C street, \$800. W. A. Robert \$700 street, \$1,000. J. Hallam, dw \$1,400. M. Herberger, street, \$200. J. Mann, dw \$1,400. R. Hetherington street, \$1,500. S. Y. Wootton, street, \$450. J. Donaldson, street, \$800. Leeming Bros, \$500. Sweeney Coop street, \$200. Mrs. A. Todd street, \$600. Mrs. Val Mun street, \$1,500. E. B. McLean, road, \$1,800. T. H. Rasmusen street, \$2,300. H. T. Knott, d street, \$1,500. Mrs. E. J. Bas appear street, \$1,500. Miss Sorby, ad \$400. E. M. Bouill \$1,000. G. Longpre, \$1,000. Island Investm \$200. B. E. Price, dw \$600. Dunford and \$1,000. Baker and Bal \$1,300. J. Jordison, s \$280. C. More, add \$100. Hon. F. J. F wood Crescent, \$1,000. Mrs. E. McC mosun street, \$1,000. Stanaland & \$250. J. Mowat, add \$450. E. Homans, \$250. F. A. J. Pal street, \$450. H. T. Knott, street, \$2,300. Capt. C. P. V ment street, \$900. Royal Bank \$1,000. T. Catterall, \$2,500. L. J. Quaglio street, \$150. L. W. Bick, street, \$700. S. G. Feathers street, \$1,000. E. Dykes, ad \$200. Mrs. T. Tye, \$1,000. A. Hesson, \$1,500. W. Tucker, \$100. J. T. Flynn, \$100. M. Young, \$1,000. G. Payne, \$125. P. W. Den Douglas street, \$1,000. Mrs. E. Carr street, \$150. Parfitt Bro. avenue, \$2,500. G. Eber & Langley street, \$1,000. Miss J. Behr road, \$1,000. G. C. Alder, \$1,300. G. James, \$800. A. Brayshaw road, \$1,200. Mrs. Fimiga street, \$400. Mrs. A. Morr street, \$4,200. W. Barfield, \$1,700. Moore & Wh mosun street, \$1,000. H. E. Smith street, \$200. J. Jubilee No 425.

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