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ISLAND'S OUTPUT BY FERRY STEAMER

FOUR HUNDRED CARS SHIPPED PER MONTH

Rapid Growth In Business Consequent on All-Rail Connections—News of Waterfront.

Four hundred loaded cars a month shipped from Vancouver Island to various points on the Mainland might seem to many Victorians as a most extravagant estimate of the volume of business now being done by the two car ferries plying across the Gulf, and a year or two ago this calculation would certainly be very wide of the mark, but on inquiry to-day a Times representative learned from the traffic managers in charge that the above is actually about the amount of business that is being done irrespective of what is carried out by steamer to the Sound and elsewhere.

In the first place the Chemainus Saw Mill shipped on an average last month five cars a day; Ladysmith an average of from two to three; Shawnigan, one; Sayward, one; the Victoria Terminal railway, one. Haslam, of Nanaimo, has been a regular shipper, and there have been local shipments making up, if not exceeding, the estimate given. Of course, the bulk of this business is conducted through the C. P. R. Company, and lumber forms the principal shipments. This is forwarded to points in the Territories where the demand is constantly increasing, and the consumption has been so great that mill men on this Island have in a number of instances felt warranted in enlarging their plants in order to compete with the growing demand. The Chemainus Mill Company, for example, have just received a large consignment of machinery from Aurora, Illinois, which will be used in the installation of two new planing plants calculated to more than double the present capacity of the mill.

In addition it might be mentioned that a new mill has been established at Ladysmith, which will start to ship next week, and Lloyd, of Westholm, a station on the E. & N., has a big contract for the supply of ties to the C. P. R., shipments of which will still further increase the regular output from this Island. But the business thus alluded to is probably only half of that handled by the E. & N. ferry system. That concern now carries nearly if not all the coke used at Ladysmith and Crofton, is handling the ore from the Republic, Washington, and from Kamloops, and is carrying coal to the C. P. R. in addition to the regular transcontinental freight that comes westward for this Island over the Canadian road. Altogether the business is greatly in excess of that which the big barge Transfer, No. 1, which is now on the Esquimalt Marine Railway receiving an overhauling, is capable of handling, although in the commencement of the ferry service that vessel was more than equal to the demands upon her. Helping her in the service now, however, are the big barge Georgia and other vessels of the fleet, owned by McKenzie Bros., Vancouver.

In speaking of the business done over the E. & N. line, Geo. L. Courtney, traffic manager, stated on Saturday that all of this trade had been created since the establishment of the ferry service, which enabled shippers on this Island to compete with those of the Mainland. The business is increasing, and the only difficulty experienced has been in getting sufficient cars to meet the exigencies of trade. Mr. Courtney also states that the volume of ousiness from the Mainland is on the increase, but that it is not advancing so rapidly as that from the Island.

Regarding this the following letter is to the point:

To the Editor:—I would like to draw attention to the fact that while this city is now a terminal point on two transcontinental railway systems neither of the railways has any deep water facilities. If these were provided, there is every reason to believe that the growing business between the Island and the Mainland would rapidly increase.

CHARLES H. LUGRIN.

COAL FROM COMOX.

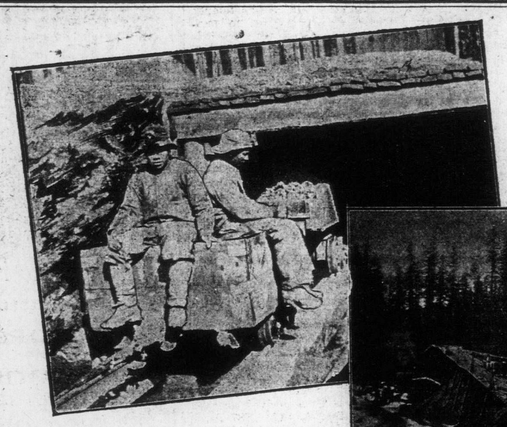
The steamer Thistle, which in turn has been relieving the Joan and City of Nanaimo, of the Dunsmuir fleet, while they were receiving an overhauling, is in port this week with a big load of coal and coke from Comox. The vessel left Union last Tuesday, and her officers say that they saw no steamers ashore at any point on route, nor did they hear of one having been wrecked, as reported from Vancouver. The Thistle brings news from Comox that about 500 tons of coal is daily taken out at the mines at Union. This is all going to supply the C. P. R. and Vancouver and Victoria merchants.

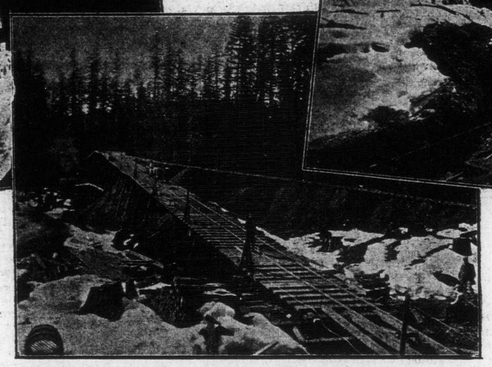
FRASER FLOOD WARNING.

Several Stations to Be Established and Daily Reports Will Be Received.

E. Baynes Reed has received instructions from R. F. Stewart, the director of the meteorological service of Canada, to establish several stations on the Fraser river with the object of obtaining daily telegraphic warnings of the state of the water during the seasons of anticipated floods. Stations will be at once established at Yale, Kamloops and Quesnel, and further stations will probably be added as occasion may require. Reports will be seen daily at the Victoria meteorological office and warnings issued.

Miss Belle Milne, who recently graduated in nurse from Monod hospital in Seattle, is spending a few days in the city visiting friends and old friends. Miss Milne will join the nursing staff of the hospital when it returns to the Sound city.





NO. 7 TUNNEL, CUMBERLAND MINES.

The New Slope, Cumberland No. 7, is situated about five miles northwest from the town of Cumberland, right on the bank of the Courtney river. Two slopes are being sunk simultaneously, each of them being at present rather over three hundred feet long. They will strike the first vein of coal at six hundred feet from the entrance to the slope. This point, at the present rate of development, will be reached towards the end of next month.

Lumber and other supplies are obtained via the Comox lake and Courtney river, as about a mile of the new road remains to be graded.

Surrounding the new mine is some of the finest timber in the province, the clearing having the appearance of being surrounded by an immense stockade two hundred feet high. This promises to be the best of all the Comox mines.

STATISTICS FOR MONTH OF MAY

Large Number of Fire Alarms, But the Losses Small—In Police Circles—Customs Returns.

The fire department has had a very busy month, although fortunately the losses were out of proportion to the number of alarms. The two most serious blazes occurred on May 2nd and the 21st respectively, the residences being those of Fred Brock, on Hillside avenue, and B. J. Perry, on Mary street. Altogether the returns were as follows:

May 2nd, box 54, 9 p.m., fire at the residence of Mr. Brock, Hillside avenue; loss about $1,600; insured. Cause uncertain.

May 14th, 2.40 p.m., box 14, residence of Mr. Brown, Scoresby street; cause ignition of methylated spirits while cleaning clothes. No loss.

May 16th, 4.40 a.m., box 71, fire in woodshed in the rear of residence occupied by Mrs. Bellamy, on Burnside road; cause ashes; loss, $50. Same day, 7.50 a.m., lady rang in box 54 in mistake for letter box. No loss but lots of blue smoke. Same day, 3.25 p.m., fire at Edison theatre, Yates street, caused by films coming in contact with lighting apparatus. Loss, $20.

May 17th, 10.40 a.m., box 123, fire in roof of residence occupied by A. Ferguson, on Young street, caused by sparks from chimney. Loss, $10.

May 19th, 1.40 p.m., box 54, fire in roof of parsonage in rear of Centennial Methodist church. Loss, $5.

May 21st, 9 a.m., box 27, roof of premises on Richardson street, occupied by Mr. Wallace; caused by sparks. Loss, $10.

May 21st, 11.50 a.m., box 27, fire at residence of B. J. Perry and cottage adjoining, owned by H. E. Levy, on Mary street, Victoria West; caused by sparks. Loss altogther about $1,325; insured. May 21st, no alarm; fire at Lighthouse saloon, clothes catching fire. Loss, $15.

May 22nd, 1.30 p.m., box 42, roof fire in cottage on Pembroke street, owned by A. Williams; cause, sparks from chimney. Loss, $50.

May 26th, 5 p.m., box 27, roof fire at 23 Burdette avenue, residence occupied by Mrs. Berkley; cause, sparks. Loss, $10. Same day at 5.30 p.m., similar fire at residence of Mrs. Fraser, No. 2 Phoenix place. Loss, $10.

Police Statistics.

The police returns show that 82 charges were dealt with during the month, while there were recorded for safe keeping 33. The police also looked after four insane people who were sent to the provincial asylum at New Westminster. One of these went over to the institution last night. As usual drunks head the monthly procession with 29, a long lead over those charged with possession of intoxicants, who came next. Altogther the returns show the following division: Drunkenness 29, possession of intoxicants 9, infraction of the bicycle by-law 8, obtaining money under false pretences 6, frequenting bawdy houses 5, infraction of the health by-law 5, assault 3, stealing 3, vagrancy 2, infraction of the fire prevention by-law 2, indecent assault 2, using insulting language 2, inmate of a bawdy house 1, infraction of the revenue tax by-law 1, bound over to keep the peace 1, aggravated assault 1, cruelty to animals 1, infraction of the streets by-law 1 and safe keeping 37.

Customs Figures.

A good month's business was done at the Victoria customs house during May. The total imports for the month amounted to $315,802, of which $214,008 was dutiable and $101,794 free. The revenue was made up as follows: Duty, $71,078.23; Chinese, $51,257, and other revenues, $98.90, in all $122,434.13. Exports for the month amounted to $68,173. Of this $14,139 represented foreign and $54,034 domestic exports.

THEIR FAILING.

Brady—"The grocer is going to tack a "Fresh Eggs" sign over his door. I suppose that will be 'another lie nailed.'"

Broadbent—"No, his wife is going to put it up. A woman can't nail."

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IMPROVEMENTS TO JAIL.

Plans Have Been Prepared and Work Will Be Commenced Shortly.

Plans for additions and improvements to the police station on Cormorant street have been prepared in the city engineer's office, and tenders for the work will be invited in the near future. They call for the extension of the lock-up eighteen feet in the rear, taking up a portion of the yard. This will give the entire premises a total depth of fifty-seven feet. The addition to be erected will have two stories with accommodation for three cells and a corridor. Two of these will be on the ground floor, and will be eighteen feet long by eight wide. The partitions will be of iron bars instead of brick walls, as in the old cells.

On the second floor there will be one large cell to be used for unfortunates requiring medical attention. The present corridor will be extended down the whole length of the place, which will give the prisoners quite a long promenade. Three ventilators will be installed, which those familiar with the lock-up will appreciate as a much-needed improvement. The plan of having the partitions of the new cells of iron bars is also a good one, for it will give the apartments plenty of ventilation and enable the jailer to see what is going on inside without any difficulty. It is altogether likely that this arrangement will be adopted with all the cells before very long. The extension of the jail will not deprive the prisoners of a yard, because there will remain a considerable space in the rear after the addition has been erected. The cost of the improvements will approximate fifteen hundred dollars.

SEALERS HOME.

Six From Ship of San Diego Arrived on Boscowitz Saturday Afternoon.

Tanned from a three-day exposure at sea which they experienced after losing their schooner off Queen Charlotte Islands, the six missing sealers from the City of San Diego, whose safe arrival on land was heretofore reported in the Times, reached Victoria from the North on the steamer Boscowitz on Saturday. The men lost their vessel on the 27th of April. They left her on the morning of that day and worked around until noon, when they saw her for the last time. On towards evening a breeze sprung up and they were carried out of sight of the schooner. They endeavored to retain the same position until night in the hopes of getting a glimpse of the vessel's lights, but in vain.

The next day was one of forlorn hope. The hard tack in their boats was about exhausted, and they became pretty tired and hungry. Cape Calvert was eventually sighted, and steering for there a number of Indians were met next day, who directed them to Goose Island. Here there are several Indian stores, and the men traded off their sealskins to purchase provisions for themselves.

The Boscowitz brought a number of other passengers, the major number of whom were landed at Vancouver.

ARMED PROSPECTORS.

Major Leckie Leads an Armed Force to Open Mines in Somaliland.

A letter has been received by W. F. Robertson, provincial mineralogist, from Major R. G. Leckie, who is engaged in a mining venture in East Africa. Major Leckie is having a new experience in connection with mining, and one which has an exciting side to it.

The Major was interested in an option of 3,700 square miles of mining country in Somaliland, and at the time of writing was marching in to possess the land. He had forty camels loaded with supplies and a large force of friendly natives under his charge. The troublous times in that part of the world forced him to arm his forces with Mauser rifles. Under these peculiar conditions he is on the march to prospect the territory which has been allotted to him.

Major Leckie is well known in this province. He was identified with several mining companies in the Kootenays before leaving with the Strathcona Horse for South Africa. He for some years lived at Rossland, and was prominently identified with the mining life of that district.

His friends in this city naturally will watch with the most intense interest the outcome of his strange prospecting venture.

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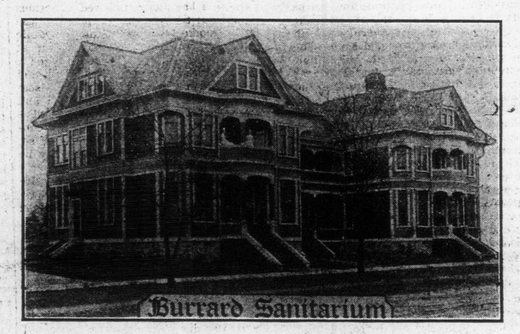

The accompanying cut represents the Burrard sanitarium, the newly-founded and thoroughly equipped institution in Vancouver, under the management of Dr. Ernest Hall, of this city, and Dr. Telford, who are also the surgeons in charge. The building is an imposing one, standing on Georgia street, within a few blocks of the Vancouver hotel, is convenient and commodious, and an inspection of it would amply show that neither expense nor effort has been spared in making the institution one of the most up-to-date in Canada.

The Burrard is not only a new sanitarium, but it occupies a building specially planned and constructed for the purpose. The first impression on entering the spacious halls is one of extreme cleanliness. As might naturally be expected in an institution where antiseptic methods and sterilized instruments are alone used, every detail has been carefully arranged so that there may be no lurking place for the dust that is so apt to secrete fell disease germs. Indeed, so prominent a place has been given this feature that in the private wards no baseboards or picture mouldings are to be found.

Six upon the ground and ten more on the first floor make a full complement of sixteen private apartments in all. Up in the top flat are two large rooms, such as might be termed public wards. Each of the latter contains several beds; but, while the privacy of the lower apartments is lacking, they offer every other conceivable convenience. Close at hand are the rooms set apart for the use of the nurses, of whom there are five on the staff. A laundry, fitted with patent tubs and special hot draft drying room, is supplied with heat from the basement by means of a system entirely separate from that which serves to regulate the temperature throughout the remainder of the building. Large balconies, quite secluded and yet offering a magnificent view of Vancouver's prettiest district cast into sharp relief by the massive forms and bold outlines of the mountains across the Inlet, enable the convalescent patient to breath the summer air in perfect rest and quiet.

The operating and sterilizing rooms are on the second floor of the connecting wing, in the basement of which the heating apparatus is situated. The kitchen and other accessory apartments are in this section of the establishment, thus keeping them outside of the main departments. In the operating rooms every provision is made for absolutely modern surgery. They have a cement floor and a complete sterilizing outfit.

There are three kitchens, one above the other, connected by a dumb waiter. The laundry is equipped with patent dry kilns and wash tubs specially emmelled. Acme cement plaster has been used on the walls and ceiling. This is non-porous, and can be washed with antiseptics without injury. The building is equipped throughout with the very best heating and plumbing, while there is ample provision for fire protection—two water mains and four sets of hose.

One specialty of the sanitarium is the new electrical treatment. This is complete in every particular, containing an X-ray outfit and facilities for all branches of electrical treatment, electric baths and all. No patients afflicted with contagious diseases or insanity are admitted to the institution. The building is of wood, with stone foundation.

The management is in excellent hands. Drs. Ernest Hall and Telford, as before stated, are the surgeons in charge. There are four nurses and the matron, who is Miss E. Jones, a graduate of Manchester, England. Since the opening of the institution the management have met with marked success, a large number of patients having been treated. Considerably over a score of heavy operations have been performed.

Dr. Ernest Hall recently purchased the Macintosh residence adjoining the hospital, and will make his home in the Terminal City this summer.

SPEEDED ACROSS PACIFIC.

Tartar Arrived a Day Ahead of Her Schedule Time—War Preparations.

Tea and coal from Japan formed the bulk of the steamship Tartar's cargo on arrival from the Orient on Friday. The tea is that which had been shipped by a Japanese firm, and is but part of a larger consignment being forwarded to the Eastern states, the balance being on another trans-Pacific liner, against whose time the Tartar speeded across the ocean. She arrived here a full day ahead of time, and was detained at the ocean dock but a very short time. Of the coal she has aboard there is in all 600 tons. Her passengers number 27, in the saloon, 123 Chinese, of whom 27 debarked here, and 10 Japanese. The saloon passengers were nearly all globe-trotters. There were Capt. White, commander of H. M. S. Ocean, who is going home to England on leave; G. V. Borwick, a young Englishman, who has recently seen a great deal of the Orient, including Vladivostock; and Rev. J. E. Partch, a missionary from Shanghai, who, with his wife and child, is returning to the Eastern states; and D. A. Andrews, Mrs. Butler, Rev. R. C. Fillingham, Smidt von Gelder, J. Griffiths, E. Jones Hughes, M. Iwasaki, A. Macartney, Percy Marks, J. R. McClean, Lieut. L. O. Mott, W. H. Omerod, Mrs. J. E. Partch and child, Mrs. G. Paulding, Barris du Penher, Mrs. Barris du Penher, M. Ponsonby, J. S. Clunies Ross, M. Sakamoto, Mrs. H. Scott, E. L. Waite, A. A. White.

The Hongkong Telegraph of May 5th says: "Plague statistics for the week ended Saturday, the 2nd instant, are not reassuring when compared with the previous week, which showed 79 cases with 72 deaths, as against 95 cases and 83 deaths during the seven days under review. The total cases from January 1st to May 2nd, or, say, for the first four months of the year, is 441 with 421 deaths, as against 31 cases and 31 deaths for the corresponding period of last year, a rise of 410 cases and 390 deaths. The disease is still very virulent in health district No. 2, where 23 cases were recorded, 20 of which terminated fatally. Since Saturday further returns have been received, and up to noon to-day the figures stand 491 cases, 465 deaths. For the two days, ended at noon yesterday, the returns provide a record number so far this year for a period of 48 hours. Forty-five cases were reported, out of which 26 ended fatally."

While the Tartar was at Hongkong a native mess boy was fined $150 for aiding and abetting two men to stow themselves on board ship while on a voyage to this port on the 21st of March.

Passengers arriving on the steamer speak of preparations for war in Japan, but while looking upon trouble as inevitable do not expect any immediate danger. Russia, they state, has increased her fleet in the Pacific, until now she has, according to one arrival on the Tartar, a fleet almost equalling that of Japan. These vessels make their headquarters at Port Arthur and Vladivostock.

DISCOURAGED STOMACHS.—Could you wonder at the delicate organs of digestion refusing to be helped and comforted when day after day they are literally "drowned out" by strong tonics, bitters and hurtful nostrums. Common sense came into Medical Science when it evolved the tasty tablet dose and discovered a God-send to humanity in Dr. Von Stan's pineapple tablets formnia. 35 cents. Sold by Jackson & Co. and Hall & Co.—144.

MAYOR M'CANDLESS OFFERED SERVICES

In Regard to Carpenters' Strike—Accepted by One Side and Declined by the Other.

A few days ago Mayor McCandless offered his services towards bringing about a settlement of the carpenters' strike. The carpenters accepted the offer but the builders declined it. The replies received were as follows:

To His Worship the Mayor:

Dear Sir:—At a meeting of carpenters held this afternoon I was instructed to forward you a copy of the following resolution:

Moved and seconded, That we accept the proffered services of the Mayor with thanks.

Also that I inform you that the Builders' Association are dealing with union and non-union men, and to address all communications in the future to the address given below.

Hoping that you will be able to bring matters to a successful issue by conciliatory measures, I remain,

Yours respectfully,
G. A. OKELL.

Victoria, B. C., May 29th, 1903.

Mayor McCandless, City:

Dear Sir:—In reply to Your Worship's communication regarding the carpenters' strike, I am instructetd to state that while appreciating the spirit in which you have approached us, we consider the time has positively gone past for arbitration, as suggested.

The Builders' Association have at different times offered most material concessions to the union, besides the wage compromise, which the latter body has failed to accept; we emphatically state that we have given the union the extreme limit of our consideration.

Yours very respectfully,
E. W. WHITTINGTON,
Secretary.

Victoria, May 30th, 1903.

To the Editor:—The Builders' Association would warn the building public not to place too much stress on the incessant vapouring of the comment manipulator of the so-called labor notes in the Sunday Colonist. Such a rank unionist only deludes his fellow man and makes it harder for those men who did not want to strike, but have no option otherwise.

We would remind the public that there is no very serious dead-lock. How can 90 odd union carpenters (when all are in town) lock up the work in a city of 23,000 people? The strikers have apparently lost the sympathy of the public, of non-union men and the substantial sympathy of the other trades through their exorbitant demands. All contractors of any vim have got carpenters enough for the work on hand. Every day men are taking the places of the strikers, and are well satisfied with 40c. per hour and can work 44 or 48 hours as they wish.

W. D. McKILLICAN,
President.

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Denmark's agricultural capital is now £140 for each inhabitant. This is more than double that in the United Kingdom.

ON LOOK-OUT FOR A CHINESE LEPER

SANITARY OFFICER WILSON IS WATCHING

The Quarterly Visit of City Officials to Darcy Island—The Unfortunates There Located.

Is there another leper in Chinatown? Sanitary Officer Wilson believes that there is one in hiding, and he has been on the still hunt for some time. He is bound to locate the unfortunate, but experience has taught that no matter what vigilance is exercised the capture cannot be hastily accomplished. And so Darcy island may continue in usefulness as a lazeretto.

To-day there are but two on the island, and it does not seem possible how they can long hold out against the ravages of their loathsome malady. One has only the stumps left of his hands. He can hardly bear to put what is left of a foot to the ground. His eyes pain him, the flesh of his face being so pinched and contracted as to give them a terrible appearance. Sores on his limbs continue their deadly wasting process. Crutches until recently were useful. He could get about on them; could see the work his more active companion was accomplishing in the garden and woodshed, and altogether better while away his miserable existence. Now he cannot use his sticks. He appears positively helpless, being what Dr. Robertson, the city health officer, describes as a paralytic state of leprosy. He is the leper who came from Vancouver, and although claiming to be in this country only five or six years, knows considerable English. He realizes, however, that his end in near at hand, and that soon his remains must occupy the grave already dug in the rear of his little cabin.

While this man is about 50 years of age, his lone neighbor, occupying the next room to him in the same building, is only twenty, and shows much of the activity of youth. He has a good garden and lacks for nothing, for be it remembered, that no official has ever been more attentive to the needs of his charge than Mr. Wilson. The young leper smiled gratefully as he stored the quarterly provisions away which were taken to him on the tug Sadie yesterday. He had asked for several things when Mr. Wilson visited the island a week ago, and, strange as it may seem, among his wants was that of a coffin. There is nothing sentimental about John; he merely wants to be prepared for death when it comes. There was no coffin in stock, and so he had complained to Mr. Wilson. A dog, he and his companion had asked for, to drive away the lynx which infest the island and carry off their chickens at night, but Mr. Wilson had overlooked this and will send one over to the island in the course of a week or so.

In the supplies which Mr. Wilson had taken out to the Island Sunday there was nothing missing in the bill of fare that the most fastidious Chinaman could have thought of. The Sadie carried a considerable party, including Dr. Robertson and Rev. Mr. Ewing, superintendent of missions, whose visit was the first he had ever paid the island. Like some of his predecessors, Mr. Ewing is convinced that the lepers should be removed to the island of Tracadie, where they could have good care and attention, and he purposes writing on the subject.

The Sadie left this city at 9 o'clock Sunday morning, and was back in port by three in the afternoon, all on board having had a very pleasant outing.

COURT OF REVISION.

Some of the Reductions Made This Sitting—Mostly on Improvements.

The recent sittings of the municipal court of revision have been noted for the small number of reductions made in the assessments. As before stated, in nine cases out of ten these have been on improvements. A large number of appeals were made for the Douglas estate, and fully half of these, if not more, were ordered to stand as assessed. Altogether there were nearly sixty appeals. Some of the reductions are as follows:

J. W. Lang, through Messrs. Robertson & Robertson, improvements on part block 26, Fairfield, ordered reduced from $15,000 to $14,000; land to stand as assessed. Part block 41, Fairfield, also to stand as assessed.

Chas. Marshall, improvements on lot 31, block 39, Fernwood, ordered reduced from $3,000 to $2,500.

Mrs. C. M. Foster, lots 1,846 to 1,849, ordered to stand as assessed, and improvements reduced from $3,500 to $3,000.

J. B. Hobson, Fairfield, appeal as to land abandoned, improvements reduced from $2,600 to $2,200.

M. Rowland, part of lot 181, block 1, to stand as assessed, improvements on same reduced from $7,000 to $6,000, and name changed to Joseph Rowland.

T. Pell, lot 537, block 24, reduced from $25,250 to $23,000. Improvements to stand as assessed.

Hon. W. Templeman, part 405 and 406, block 13, reduced from $12,750 to $12,500, and improvements to $1,000.

Dr. G. L. Milne, part of blocks 4 and 5, Beckley Farm, reduced to $2,400 per acre. Improvements on same ordered reduced to $8,500. Lot 240, block 24, to stand as assessed; improvements on same also. Lots 38 and 86, block 69, Fernwood, also ordered to stand. Lot 48 and part of 49 and improvements ordered to stand as assessed.

The court resolving itself into a board of equalization it was resolved that block 22, Fairfield, be reduced $150 per acre, and that lots 2, 4 and 5, block 14, Beckley Farm, be reduced ten per cent.; block 63, Fernwood, be reduced to $1,600 per acre, and that lot 538 be reduced by $255.

OVERHEARD IN THE PARK.

Jack—"If I kissed you would you give it away to your father?"

Ernie—"Of course not. What do you think he wants with your kisses?"