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AREAS COMPARED

Very frequently we are asked how Vancouver Island compares in size with England, and a general opinion seems to prevail that it is much larger. We have seen this stated in print and heard it said in speeches.

The area of England—not Great Britain—is 50,879 square miles; the area of Vancouver Island is estimated at 15,000.

The length of England from Portland Bill to Berwick is 363 miles; the length of Vancouver Island from Victoria to Cape Scott or from William Head to Cape Commerell is 260 miles.

The greatest breadth of England is from North Foreland to Land's End and is 320 miles; the greatest breadth of Vancouver Island is from Estevan Point to Chatham Point and is 80 miles.

Wales is not included in the area of England. That principality has an area of 7,777 square miles, that is, it is nearly half as large as Vancouver Island.

Ireland has an area of 32,293 square miles; that is, it is rather more than twice as large as Vancouver Island.

Scotland has an area of 30,460 miles or about twice that of Vancouver Island.

Of the countries of Europe Switzerland approaches that of Vancouver Island more nearly than any other.

VICTORIA THE BEAUTIFUL

Victoria will shortly have one of the finest architectural centres on the continent, and one that it will be difficult to surpass anywhere when account is taken of the manner in which the structures will be grouped.

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position of our city is directly due to the policy of the McBride government, which you are asked to ratify tomorrow by marking your ballots for Messrs. McBride, Thomson, Davey and Behrens.

Germany seems to be determined to add straws to the already heavily burdened camel's back. This needless wasteful diversion of men and money from peaceful industries to warlike preparations means national bankruptcy sooner or later.

The noble way in which the well-to-do people of Great Britain are responding to the demands upon them arising out of the distress caused by the coal strike is worthy of the highest praise.

THE DOUKHOBORS AS GOOD COLONISTS What They Are Doing in These Prosperous Settlements at Brilliant and Grand Forks

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In addition they have other acreage on which they grow market truck in large quantities for their own consumption. They are vegetarians by the way, and their objection to take life of any kind is responsible for their refusal to bear arms.

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GUERNSEY AT CHEMINAIS TO LOAD

Notable feat performed by Her Majesty's ship Guernsey at Chemainus, B.C., on her voyage to the coast.

The Norwegian steamer Guernsey, which reached Chemainus yesterday to load lumber for Australia, a few years ago broke a propeller when en route from Moji to this port and her engineers did some notable work in replacing the screw at sea.

Some high rates are now being paid to lumber carriers. At the highest rate paid to a sailing vessel in several years for a similar voyage, the German ship Schiffbek has been chartered to carry lumber from the North Pacific to the United Kingdom.

The statement of Mr. Monk, Minister of Public Works, that it will be necessary to construct dry docks 1,000 feet long on the Pacific Coast, in view of the early completion of the Panama Canal, is of very great local interest.

In the Toronto Globe of recent date was a paragraph directing attention to the fact that Victoria stood first among the cities in Canada in building permits for February, with Toronto second and Vancouver third.

from Glasgow, was recently fixed at 72c 93 to load at the Canadian Pigot Sound mills at Victoria and will come here next month. The Russian bark California, now in Tacoma loading for the United Kingdom, was chartered by the same firm some time prior to the Kinross-shire at 62c 6d.

The German bark Wandebek, now at Vancouver to load at the Hastings mill, was chartered prior to her arrival by Headley & Co. and is receiving 72c 6d, which is considered a high rate.

OLYMPIA RECORDS

Records That Competitors in July International Sports in Sweden Will Strive to Beat

The best records made in various Olympic track and field events, which may be broken in the 1912 Olympiad in Stockholm, Sweden, follow:

100-meter run—7 seconds; Hahn, United States; at St. Louis. 100-meter run—10 4-5 seconds; Walker, South Africa; at London. 200-meter run—21 3-5 seconds; Hahn, United States; at St. Louis.

400-meter run—4 1-5 seconds; Hillman, United States; at St. Louis. 800-meter run—1 5 1-5; Sheppard, United States; at London. 1,500-meter run—4:08 2-5; Sheppard, United States; at London.

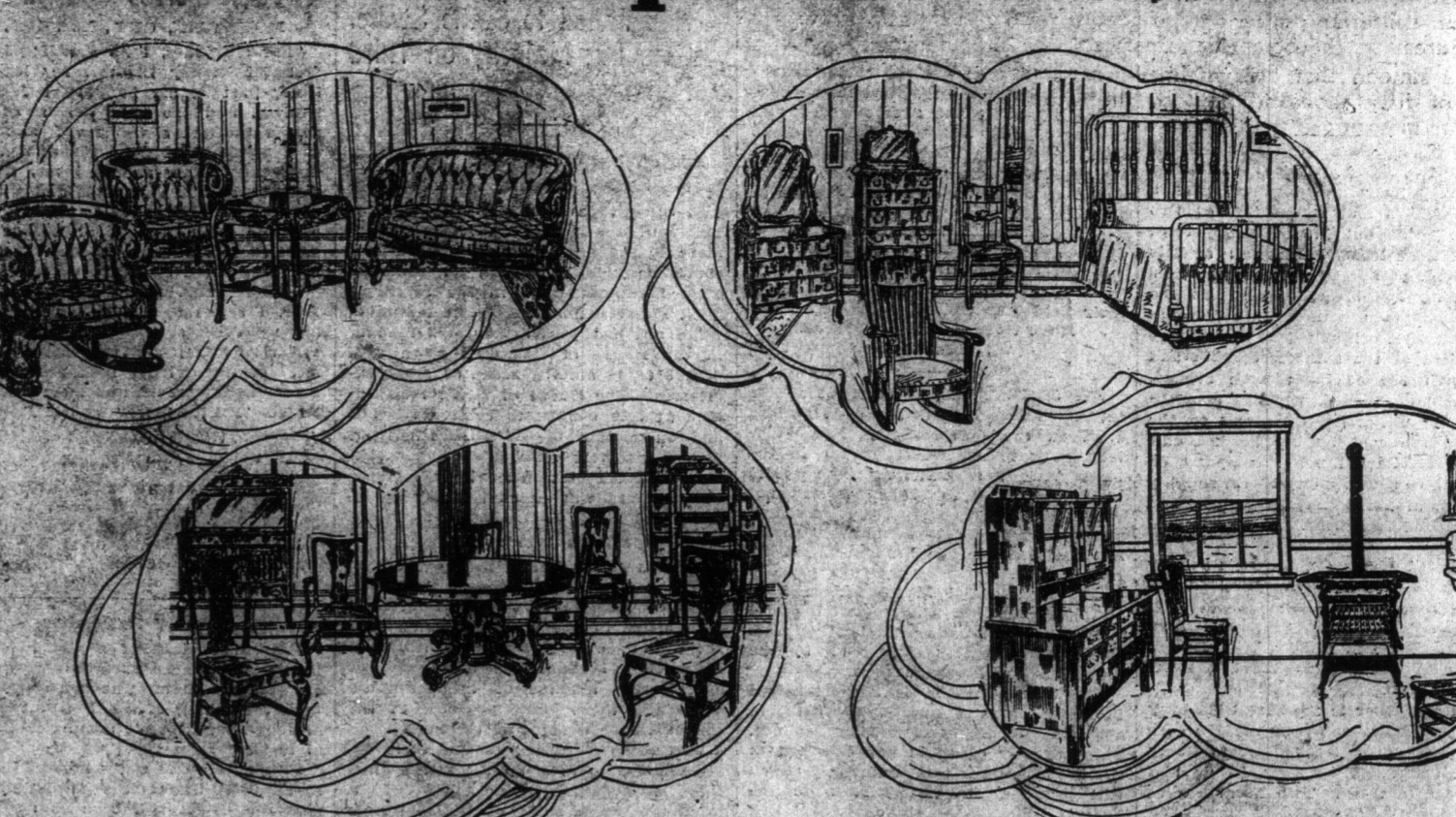
110-meter hurdles—15 seconds; Smithson, United States; at London. 220-meter hurdles—24 3-5 seconds; Hillman, United States; at St. Louis. 400-meter hurdles—53 seconds; Hillman, United States; at St. Louis.

LARGEST PURSES OFFERED FIGHTERS

A table of the largest prize fight purses given in America follows: Jeffries-Corbett \$62,340. Brit-Nelson (1905) 48,311. Jeffries-Fitzsimmons 31,890.

The Methodists and the Presbyterians of Hazelton have expressed themselves as strongly favoring a school union. Vancouver's Canadian club with distribute ten thousand national flags to the school children on Dominion Day.

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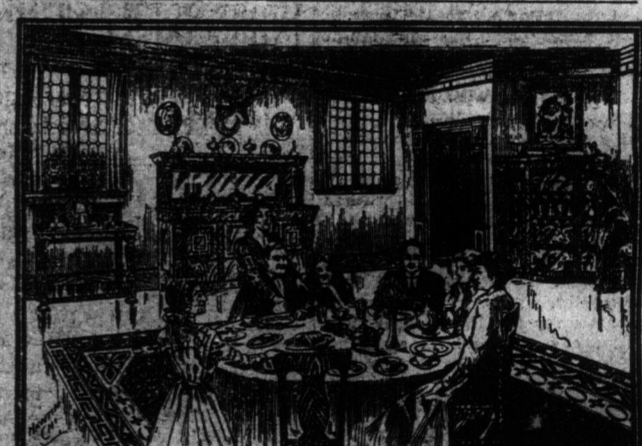
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Table listing furniture items for Kitchen, Parlor, Dining Room, and Bedroom, including prices for cabinets, tables, chairs, and bedding.

Four Furnished Rooms On Our Third Floor

On our third floor we have four rooms fitted up in the highest quality furniture. Two of the rooms are devoted to Dining-rooms, one in the Early English, the other in Fumed, of the very latest styles and most beautiful finishes.

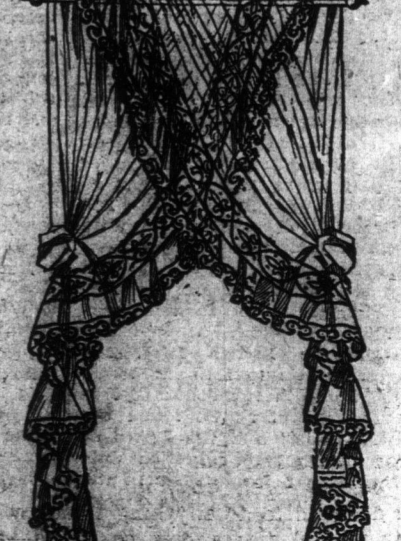


Buying Time Is Here For The New Floor Coverings

And the very newest designs and colorings are on our Second Floor in such vast quantities as to almost bewilder you. Never was such art displayed as in this season's new goods, never were the colorings of such a high standard, nor the designs so beautiful.

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