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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. Yesterday the question was asked us over the telehone, and perhaps it is just as well publish the answer for the informaon of all who may be uncertain on is point.

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 latter figure has been arrived at by measurement on the Admiralty Chart and is therefore only a clost approximation owing to the fact that the island lies diagonally across the parallel of latitude and an exact measurement would require some calcula-

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 7,377 square miles, that is, it is nearly half as large as Vancouver. Island

Ireland has an area of 32,393 square miles; that is, it is rather more than twice as large as Vancouver Island. Ireland is 300 miles long, and 170 miles broad in its widest part.

Scotland has an area of 30,460 miles or about twice that of Vancouver Island. Scotland's greatest length is 287 miles and its greatest breadth 125

Of the countries of Europe Switzer land approaches that of Vancouver Island more nearly than any other.' The two are practically identical in area.

VICTORIA THE BEAUTIPUL

Victoria will shortly have one of the finest architectural centres on the continent, and one that it will be difficult ass anywhere when account is taken of the manner in which the structures will be grouped. The scene from the harbor will be a remarkable one. Entering on a steamer, the majestic block of the Empress will be in front. On the right will be the fine structure about to be erected for offices by the Canadian Pacific. Next on the right will be the Parliament Buildings; next will come the great hotel which the Grand Trunk Pacific is going to build. On Trunk Pacific is going to build. On the left there will be the Post Office and immediately across from it and on the same side of the Causeway, a fine the same side of the Causeway, a fine modern building the height of which we do not know; next on the left will be the Belmont Block, and next the beautiful structure now being erected for the Union Club. The effect of these fine buildings will be enhanced by the water stretch where the yachts lie, the graceful embankment and the beautiful lawns with trees and flowers which will surround the Parnament Buildings and the two hotels. It will combine to make a wonderful picture, when viewed between the towers of the bascule bridge at Laurel Pomt. Victoria the Beautiful will then have a gateway that will be the admiration of . the world. When the sun paints the clouds over the Sooke Hills and tints the distant Olympics with rose color the scene will take on a new beauty. When night comes and thousands of lights illuminate the buildings and long lines of clustered lamps radiate in every direction, it will be like something seen in dreams.

position of our city is directly due to the policy of the McBride government. Which you are asked to ratify fomorrow by marking your ballots for Messre. McBride Thompson David and Beinsen McBride, Thomson, Davey and Be Will you do it? We think so.

Aviation continues to claim its victims. The air has been by no means, conquered. Man has not yet succeeded in demonstrating that. Nature intended he should fly.

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 bankrupter sooner or later. The end of the feverish haste to provide armaments cannot be far off.

The noble way in which the well-todo 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. It has been a time of deep trial, but the prospects are that the nation will come out of it stronger and more united than ever. God grant that it may be so!

THE DOUKHOBORS AS GOOD COLONISTS

What They Are Doing In There Pro perous Settlements At Brilliant and Grand Porks

Mr. W. E. Scott, the deputy minister of agriculture recently, in company with Mr. Peter Veregin, president of the Doukhobors, paid a visit to the settlement of that community at Brilliant and was immensely impressed with the value of these people as pioneering agents in the development of the country. The cli-mate of the prairies seems to have too severe for the Doukho proved and to have been responsible for their movement westward to Grand Forks and Brilliant in this province. The com-munity at the latter place has now been two and a half years establishd and owns about eight thousand acres of land. Of this they have already cleared one thousand acres and planted these with fruit trees which have been pruned ac-cording to the most approved methods and the ground between kept in a good

A.000-meter steeplechase-12:58 2-5; Rimmer, England; at Paris. Running long jump-24:06 1-2 feet; Irons, United States; at London. Bunning triple jump-48:11 1-4 feet;
A. Hearne, England; at London.
Standing broad jump-11:04 7-8 feet;
Ewry, United States; at St. Louis.
Standing' high jump-5:05 feet;
Ewry, United States; at Paris. tflth In addition they have other acreage on which they grow market truck in large quantities, for their own consump-They are vegetarians, by the way, and their objection to take life of any kind is responsible for their refusal kind is responsible for their refusal to bear arms. They have built them-solves good houses which are kept spot-leasty clean, as are their children. This Community has built itself a sawmill with a 50 h, p. engine. a brickyard and a factory for canning jam; also a 3-million reservoir for jurigation purposes. In connection with this an American expert called in to estimate put the cost at \$3,000, but the Doukhobors them-selves built it in good share for \$3,000 Standing triple jump-34:07 1-2 feet; Ewry, United States; at St. Louis. Pole vault-12:02 fest, Gilbert, United States; at London. Shotput-48:07 feet; Rose, United States; at St. Louis. Discus-126:00 1-3 feet; Sheridan, United States; at Athens. 16-1b. hammer-170:04 1-4 feet; Flan-gan, United States; at London. 56-lb. shot-\$4:04 feet; Desmart'u selves built it in good shape for \$3,000. Mr. Scott speaks very highly of these

Canada; at St. Louis. Marathon-2:51-23 3-5; Sherring people and the result of their labors anada; at Athens. which he has seen with his own eyes. To Lifting, one hand-168 3-5 pounds quote his words, "They have literally taken the desert and made it blossom like a rose.", Mr. C. E. Lawrence of Ke

Lifting, both hands—313 7-10 pounds; Lifting, both hands—313 7-10 pounds; Cofalos, Greece; at Athens. Dumbell competition—Osthoff; Unit-ed States; at St. Louis. Tug of war—Won by England; at also written an account of this commun-ity which bears out in every respect the above remarks. They had in contomplation last summer the creetion of a grain levator to which they would ship fifty or sixty cars of wheat from

London. Team race—Won by N. Y. A. C., United States; at St. Louis, Five-mile run-25:11 1-5, Voigt. England; at London. Throwing stone—65:04 1-5; Georgan-tus, Greece; at Athens. Throwing javetin—178:07 1-2 feet; Lemming, Sweden; at Athens Throwing javetin mid—173:07 1-2 fe their land on the prairies. This would be ground and distributed in the Brilbe ground and distributed in the Bill-liant district, thus doing away with thes incressity of importing flour, but even-tually they look forward to growing wheat in bulk on their lands in this. Throwing javelin, mid-179:07 1-2 ft province. At Grand Porks as wage

Lemming, Sweden; at London. Pentathion-24 - points; Sweden; at Athens. 1,500-meter welk-7:12 3-57. Bonhag Inited States; at Athens.

Austria; at Athens

Stockholm, Sweden, follow: 60-meter run-7 seconds; Hahn, Unit-ed States; at St. Louis.

400-meter run-49 1-5 seconds; Hill-

800-meter run-1:52 1-5; Sheppard, United States; at London. 1,500-meter run-1:03 2-5; Sheppard,

110-meter hurdles-15 second Smithson, United States; at London.

200-meter hurdles- 24 3-5 seconds Hillman, United States; at St. Louis.

400-meter hurdles-53 seconds; Hill-man, United States; at St. Louis.

Man, United States; at St. Louis. 3,200-meter steeplechase; 10:47 4-5; Russell, England; at Iondon. 2,500-meter steeplechase--7;34; Orion, United States; at Paris.

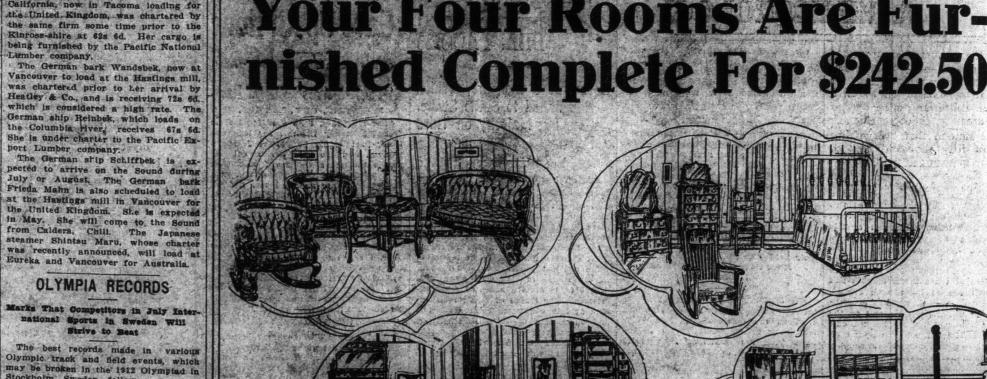
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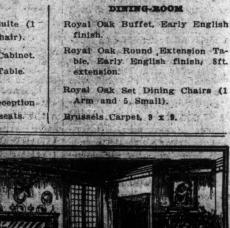
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Mr. Ernest McGaffey has a very excellent article in the World's Work on Victoria and Vancouver Island, Mr. McGaffey's contributions to periodical literature are by no means the least valuable part of his work as Secretary of the Victoria Island Development League.

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 Paname Canal, is of very great local interest. and the increase of the aid which the government may give such docks from \$4,000,000 to \$5,000,000 is evidence that Mr. Monk meant what he said.

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. This exceptional

eted prize at an examination last year The Brilliant community spend \$25,000 annually in Nelson besides that spent in Vancouver and other cities. They are experimenting with a pedigree herd of Angora goats. This testimony to the Doukhobors as

good citizens may be useful in removing any doubts as to their desirability, which were caused by the wild doings of a few were caused by the wild coings of a rew of them some years ago on the prairies -a few who had been led away by a few fanatics who were repudiated by the majority of them. Their works speak for themselves and may be seen at Brilliant.

GUERNSEY AT CHEMAINUS TO LOAD

Notable Peat Performed by Rer En-gineers on Pormer Voyage-High Nates

ceived by the Kinross-shire.

is understood that she will load at Van-

couver, at the Hastings mill. Ship-

owners who invested in sailing tonnage two years ago when fine windjammers

rates and big demand for tonnage.

bia river. The British ship Kinross-shire, now discharging general cargo

ones.

The Norwegian steamer, Guernsey, which reached Chemainus yesterday to load lumber for Australia, a few years Hart-Johnson ago broke a propeller when en route from Moji to this port and her engin-

eers did some notable work in replacing the screw at sea. They rigged a staging over the stern and, often with water to their necks as the vessel dipped, cut away the broken blades and fitted new tuhlin-Sharkey Some high rates are now being paid

to lumber carriers. At the highest rate paid to a salling 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 vessel receives 78s 9d, which is an advance of 5s over

the next highest fixture, recently re-The Schiffbek, well known at this port, is now en route from Hamburg to Santa Rosalia. While the name of ker charterer has not been announced, it

Gans-Herman In New Orleans Corbett-Sullivan

In Reno Jeffries-Johnson

The Methodists and the Presbyterians of Hazelton have expressed themselvos as strongly fausifug church union. Vanceuver's Canadian club will distri-bute ten thousand national flags to the were selling at unusually low prices, are realizing handsomely on their in-vestments with the prevailing high school children on Dominion Day. Vancouver has the very low de At present there are three sallers on the Sound to load for the United King-dom and one scheduled for the Columrate (on last year's returns) of 10.569 per thousand of population. Detective Roche of Calgary has appointed chief of police at Pentleton

3,500-metar walk-14:55; Larner, England; at London, 10-mile walk-1:15:57 2-5; Larner, England; at London. Discus, Greek style-124:08 feet: Sheridan, United States; at London.

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LARGEST PURSES OFFERED FIGHTERS

itt-Nelson (1905) 48.811 fentries-Fitzsimmons 31,80 36.000 30,487 ritt-Nelson (1904) Burns-Squires Corbett-Nelson (1904) Corbett-Nelson (1905) 25,251 11,36 Britt-White O'Brien-Kauffman 9,180 6,270 6,210

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