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SIDNEY'S PROPOSED HARBOUR IMPROVEMENTS.

Survey for the New Breakwater Completed

GOVERNMENT ENGINEERS COMPLETE THEIR TASK

A PERMANENT ERECTION OF STONE

BIG BOON TO FISHERMEN AND BOAT OWNERS

The Government engineers, under direction of Mr. Mitchell, of the permanent P. W. D. staff of Victoria, have just completed their survey of that portion of Sidney Harbour, where it is proposed to erect the new breakwater. They have been busily occupied on the preliminary work for the last month, and if the new undertaking is to be put in hand, it is probable the site selected will be just off what is known locally as the "Park," the pretty little piece of headland at the back of the railway terminus.

It is understood the breakwater will consist of a substantial erection in stone, and investigations for a suitable material have been made. It is believed a suitable stone can be quarried on Coal Island, and also on Saturna Island—the latter probably, as there is already in existence a stone-quarry there, which has been partly worked, and which has already the necessary appliances in the way of derricks, etc.

The scheme, it will be recalled, is the outcome of proposal of the Sidney Board of Trade, who deserve the highest commendation for the proposal and the persistent manner in which they have pushed it and pressed its urgent need upon the authorities. Recently the special delegation of the Sidney Board of Trade interviewed the Hon. Mr. Carvell, Minister of Public Works, and he promised to take up the matter at once and to

see it through.

So Sidney may shortly have its new breakwater, which will not only be an immense boon to the Island fishermen and boat owners generally, but should improve and benefit local trade generally. With a strong breakwater fishermen and provision boats can always run into Sidney and anchor inside the breakwater without fear of being blown to pieces by a sudden southeaster as at present. Fruit growers will also be able to take advantage of it and get their produce away safely and in good condition. In fact, the new breakwater would stimulate local trade generally.

The old breakwater, a flimsy affair, was blown to pieces some years ago, but in its day it answered its purpose well and was most useful.

CANADA'S FOREST RESERVES

As shown by the annual report of the Department of the Interior, the total area included in forest reserves in the Dominion is 23,042,640 acres.

ON CANADIAN SHIPS

According to the report of the Department of Marine and Fisheries for the fiscal year 1917-18, 45,339 men and boys, inclusive of masters, were employed on ships registered in Canada during that period.

LUMBER INDUSTRY

TIMBER REVENUE IS RECORD FOR BRITISH COLUMBIA

Figures for December Reach \$384,000
Local lumber men will be keenly interested to learn that according to departmental figures placed in the hands of Hon. T. D. Pattullo, Minister of Lands, this morning, the revenue from all timber sources in British Columbia for the month of December reached the highest figure ever known in the Department, just tipping the scales at \$384,000.

The return for the month of November, which was considered high at the time, did not exceed \$282,000, while the estimates for the current fiscal year anticipated a return from all lumber sources of not more than \$2,000,000. The Minister of Lands is hopeful that the estimated sum for the year will be exceeded by at least half a million dollars.

Mayne Island Salvage

Fishing Tender Demands \$6,000 for Aid Rendered to Princess Adelaide

A writ has been issued against the steamer Princess Adelaide by the owners, master and crew of the fishing tender Iscum for \$6,000 salvage, demanded for services rendered when the Adelaide ran ashore at Active pass last October. The plaintiffs are the Clayoquot Sound Canning company, Ltd., Captain S. B. Wells, Charles Larsen and Castervo Oberg, comprising the crew. Following is the wording of the writ:

"The plaintiffs as the owners, master and crew of the ship Iscum claim the sum of \$6,000 for salvage services rendered by them to the ship Princess Adelaide, her cargo and freight, on the 15th day of October, 1918, at Active pass, near Mayne Island, in the Province of British Columbia, and for costs."

The writ was served by Mr. Harold Beckwith, solicitor for plaintiffs. The case will come before the Admiralty Court in a few weeks time.

When the Adelaide ran aground in Active Pass the Iscum happened along on her way to the west coast. The went alongside and transferred the passengers and baggage to another C. P. R. Steamer lying a short distance away.

R. N. W. M. P. CONTRIBUTION

The annual report of the Royal Northwest Mounted Police shows that the contributions of the members of the force to the Canadian Patriotic fund up to September 30, 1917, amounted to \$40,446.61.

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