THE FIRST BORN OF THE FIRST NAPOLEON

BY. W. F. WALLER.

A Paris paper, the other day, referred in a casual paragraph to the existence of a grandson of the Great Emperor—a practitioner in the commercial line, it seems, of whom the world has not heard very much. The case was different with the author of his being. The paternity of this personage was patent even to one who saw him for the first time when he had been some years a sexagenarian. Then, the notorious Comte Leon, whose acts and deeds had been recorded up and down the scandalous chronicle ever since the third decade of the last century, was yet a pretty familiar figure on the boulevard. Now, he has been in his obscure grave for a quarter of a century, and his story may be about old enough to be new.

It begins, you may say, at Mme. Campan's boarding school at St. Germain, when the first consul's sister, Caroline Bonaparte, was a pupil there with Clarke's daughters, and those of other big-bonnets. Contemporary with these damsels was Louise Catherine Eleonore Denuel de la Plaigne, a young lady of prominent personal attractions, who bore her sonorous name as the daughter of some very well-known people, resident in a fashionable quarter, and hospitably entertaining an aristocratic society, mostly masculine, and much addicted to games of chance. It may, possibly, have been intended that Mlle. Eleonore should recoup the not inconsiderable expenses of her education by an eligible match. If so, her marriage, which took place in the year of Austerlitz with Jean Henri Francois Revel, a self-constituted ex-captain of Dragoons, must have proved all the more severe a disappointment. Before that marriage was two months old, Captain Revel, who was understood to have a fortune in his pocket in the shape of an army-contract, was "wanted" on a charge of forgery, and was presently put away for a term of years.

When, as thereupon happened, the victim's father and mother forsook her, her old schoolfellow, now Princess, Royal Highness, and wife of Murat, was moved to take her up, and appoint her to a place about her person. And when, one day at the end of January, 1806, the victor of Austerlitz came to see his sister, he happened to see, also, this attractive protegee of hers. In the March following the Revel marriage was legally dissolved. And on December 13th following, at 29, Rue de la Victoire, there was born a child, declared, under the name of Leon, to be the son of Demoiselle Eleonore Denuel, and of a father then absent.

The Emperor, in fact, was as far from Paris as Pultusk, where he was arranging the trans-Vistula campaign, and bringing up the Walewska's morning chocolate to her, much as Rawdon Crawley was, by and by, to wait upon his Becky. He got the news on the last day of the year. That same day he had written to Josephine, with his Imperial tongue in his cheek, about her jealousy of the Polish belles. If the Empress could have known what had occurred at Rue de la Victoire, her jealous fears would have been considerably augmented. She had had children by Beauharnais; the Emperor had never been a father until now. From that 31st of December there must have dated the idea which was to find its realization in the cradle of the King of Rome.

Under the fostering care of Mlle. Loir, who had done as much for Achille Murat, the little Leon took vigorously to life. Regular, if not regal, provision was made for him. In 1812 he had a formally-constituted conseil de famille, of which Matthieu de Mauvieres, Baron of the Empire, and father-in-law of Meneval, the Emperor's private secretary, was the head. The hotel in the Rue de la Victoire, and an income of 22,000 francs, had been settled on the mother; a separte income of 12,000 francs was assigned to the boy. And the loser at Waterloo found time, amidst his many pre-occupations, to increase this by the transfer, on June 21st, of some hundred thousand francs in canal shares. Moreover, "le petit Leon" was not forgotten in the St. Helena will. His name appears in a concluding paragraph, with the testator's opinion that the magistracy would be an appropriate career for him. So little did the testator know of his first-born!

The tendencies of the Comte Leon were not towards a magisterial career, though with magistrates, police, and others he was to have a deal to do. His trustees, Mme. Mere and his Eminence Cardinal Fesch, soon found that out. They held 320,000 francs for their ward, and he gave them and the trust a lively time. He raked, he gambled, he duelled himself into European notoriety. He and Captain Hesse, sometime of our 18th Hussars, were fellow-Arcadians, Hesse was another "royal illegitimate," as Disraeli was fond of saying: a son of York, on whom, it was said, his progenitor's royal niece looked with no little favor, and on whom, it was pretty generally known, her Sicilian Majesty had looked with even more.

The Comte Leon and Captain Hesse forgathered one night in the March of 1832 over the ecarte table, with the result that the former lost a couple of thousand pounds "on the nod." But he had his doubts as to whether the cards had been fairly dealt him, and so expressed these doubts that he was invited to give security for the amount in case of accidents, and then to continue the discussion in the morning. He did both, and, though there was very little to choose between the two in point of deadliness with the pistol, the result was that Captain Hesse's assings were, presently, in a position to claim the money, which the Comte got from the Cardinal. Naturally, the "trust" was of no long continuance, and, at four-and-thirty, the Comte was penniless.

That was the year of the second funeral of his father. With or without formal invitation, he joined the corface, made some people fancy that, right to be there, which he bore in his face ,made some people fancy that, given an opportunity, he might yet turn his engendrure to better account. It was, however, much less Napoleonic a head that figured on the coinage of the next Empire, though this was not the fault of the Comte Leon, perhaps. Between him and the son of Hortense there had never been much love lost, and when the elder of the cousins saw a chance of having the younger "out," he was prompt enough to avail himself of it. If that encounter had ever come off, the map of Europe would, most likely, have been different. But the London police were, somehow, given the office, and the business ended in Bow street.

Meanwhile, what had become of Demoiselle Eleonore? She and the Emperor had never met again. When she went to Fontainebleau, in 1807, he had refused to see her. On the fourth of February, 1803—the date of her settlement—she was married to Pierre Philippe Augier, lieutenant of the infantry. He died a prisoner in Russia, and his widow remarried with Charles Auguste Emile Comte de Luxbourg, a major in the Bavarian service. The Comtesse de Luxbourg presently paid a visit to her native Paris. The first person she ran against there was her first husband, Revel. Revel, naturally, wanted to blackmail her; failing that, he lampooned her. Then the Comte Leon turned up. French law gave him certain claims upon his mother, and he set the law to work forthwith to realise them. The Comtesse was fain to contribute to the support of her offspring, but it is not much wonder that she disappears from the story about this time.

On the strength of his annuity the Comte was able to devote himself to commerce, politics, and civil engineering. He appeared as "Director of the Pacific Union"; he was to be seen between Paris and Calais in company with a theodolite, engaged, as he averred, later, upon the preliminary trackings of what is now the Northern of France Railway. But there occurred a revolution, the outcome of which was a republic. The Comte Leon divested himself of his theodolite and plunged into politics. Paris was presently covered with election placards. One ran: "Le Citoven Leon, ex-Comte Leon, fils de l'Empereur Napoleon, Directeur de la Societe Pacifique, au Peuple Francais." This candidate aspired to the presidency, no less. Meantime, he solicited a return to the Corps Legislatif. He never sat there; and it was his cousin who presided.

The Empire eventuated. The Citoyen Leon resumed his title, buried the hatchet, and petitioned his now Imperial relative to grant him an annuity. He did not ask for much—only a couple of pounds a month. This modest request, though, was followed by a demand for the settlement of a "claim for arrears," which worked out at 672,670 francs exactly. That claim was never satisfied, nor was the claimant more successful when he proceeded to writ a ministry on a bill of costs amounting to half a million—the costs, it appeared, which had been incurred over those "preliminary tracings" of the Paris-Calaisline. A hard-hearted tribunal non-suited him. When he next appeared in a law court it was with a portfolio full of plans for a new Paris, which Haussmann had, somehow, contrived to get hold of, and use for his own purposes—and spoil. In the official view, of course, the plaintiff in all these proceedings was a crank. He must, at any rate, have been a crank of parts. There was a strong consensus of opinion that the conception of the Paris Ceinture—the first railway link of the kind—was due to him.

The Empire, one can understand, had all sorts of reasons for wishing the Comte Leon further. For one thing, the civil list had overmuch to do with him. He was chronically in debt, and Clichy was still available for debtors. It would never have done to have that face of his behind those bars. As long as the Empire lasted that face was always good enough for a receipt in full.

Just before the Empire ended the Comte Leon ceased to be familiar with Parisians. He disappeared quite suddenly. Men of his sort sometimes do. It was said that he had been put away, that he had put himself away. He lived to see the war out, though, and the Commune, and the dynasty, and came to an end, in 1881, at Pontoise, as singlar a personage as has ever been disremembered.

SCOPE OF BUSINESS IS TO BE EXTENDED

British American Trust Company Will Open Stock Brokerage Branch and Receive Deposits.

The premises in the McGregor block on the corner of Broad and View streets, formerly occupied by R. W. Dunsmuir as the offices of the B. C. Freighting Company, has been taken by A. C. Flumerfelt, president of the British-America Trust Company, who will enter into occupation of them at once, and will extend the scope of the company's operations.

The B. A. Trust Company with Mr. Flumerfelt at its head, has from time to time enlarged its field. To Victorians who know Mr. Flummerfelt's business ability so well the institution under his control is known to be conducted in a conservative manner, giving the public the greatest confidence in it as a channel through which underwritings and promotions can be secured. Mr. Flumerfelt places the object to be attained by it as a factor in building up industrial, mining and timber interests, of the province.

A Times reporter called upon Mr. Flumerfelt and asked him concerning the Trust Company and the objects for to which the new premises on the ground floor of the McGregor block was to be used.

Mr. Flumerfelt stated that with a capital of $100,000 paid up and a reserve at the end of December of $10,000 the Trust Company was loaning on short date, acting as agents for the sale of stocks and bonds, insurance, and general finance. The company, having recently acquired the charter of the British-Canadian Fire Insurance Company the organization, of which is now complete, the shares having been subscribed for and the government requirements met, this Insurance Company would soon be open to write risks. The Trust Company has also recently been appointed the agents for the Trust & Guarantee Company, of Toronto, and will be a factor in loaning money on real estate and time mortgages in this city and Vancouver.

In view of the various lines of business to be transacted and other contemplated additions enlarged quarters were deemed necessary.

With respect to the new business Mr. Flumerfelt outlined what was intended to be done at once. The company intend carrying on a regular stock brokerage business. Daily wires will be received from New York and Montreal, giving quotations on standard stocks. For this purpose the premises recently occupied by the B. C. Freighting Company have been secured and will be added to the company's offices in the McGregor block.

Deposits will be received by the Trust Company, upon which interest will be paid at the rate of 4 per cent. per annum. Exchange can be sold all over Canada by the company.

With respect to the general business of the Trust Company, at a meeting of the directors held a few days ago in Vancouver a dividend at the rate of 8 per cent. per annum, for the half year ending December 31st, was declared, handsome bonuses were presented to the staff, and a substantial amount written to the credit of profit and loss.

THE GREATEST FRENCHMEN.

Pasteur Holds Premier Place in Plebiscite Conducted by Paris Newspaper.

A very interesting plebiscite has been carried on recently in the columns of the Petit Parisien. That paper asked its readers to give their votes as to who were the greatest Frenchmen in the nineteenth century. It is said that fifteen million readers sent in their answers. The order in which these French people have placed their heroes will be a surprise to those critics of France who imagine that frivolity is a general characteristic of the nation. The premier place is held by Pasteur, and a little way behind him in votes comes Victor Hugo. Then Gambetta, Napoleon I., Thiers, and Lazare Carnot follow the great novelist. After Carnot come Curie, the discoverer of radium, the senior Dumas, Dr. Roux, the discoverer of the serum to cure diphtheria, Parmentier, Ampere, of dynamic-electricity fame, and Brazza, the explorer of French West Africa.

The thirteenth place on the list is held by Emile Zola, doubtless owing to the part he played in the Dreyfus case. Then follow Lamartine, Arago, the astronomer, Sarah Bernhardt, Waldeck-Rousseau, MacMahon, and President Carnot, who was assassinated. M. de Lesseps is number twenty-two on the list, which is to be continued until 502 names are arranged in their order.

SON WHO NEVER RETURNED.

The death is announced at Spalding, Eng., of Sarah Yorke, who has been a pathetic figure there for years past. She lost a son at sea, which unhinged her mind, and daily for years past she visited the railway station to meet the trains under the impression that her son would be coming home

IMPERIAL RIFLE MATCH.

British Team Accepts the Invitation From Australia.

The council of the National Rifle Association has received an invitation from the Commonwealth council of the Rifle Associations of Australia to send a team of riflemen to Australia in 1907 to take part in an Imperial match, and has decided, provided the necessary funds are forthcoming, to accept the invitation.

Arrangements will be made for the selection of a team to arrive in Australia early in October.

The following conditions for the match have been submitted to the Commonwealth council of the Rifle Associations of Australia: Qualification as for the Kolapore cup—teams of eight; distances, 200, 500, 600, 800, 900 and 1,000 yards, with two signaling shots at each distance.

DOG SAVES A FAMILY.

Barks Raise the Midnight Alarm at a Fire.

There is a little terrier in Stratford, E., who can claim the credit of having saved a family from being burnt to death, says the London Mail.

The canine heroine belongs to John Harbott, the caretaker of the West Ham Council school in Solway Place. Harbott lives in a house in Broadway, Stratford. Just before three o'clock in the morning the terrier's agitated barks at his bedroom door awoke Harbott. She had never been known to bark "wolf" when there was no wolf. So he leapt out of bed and looked out of the window—to see flames bursting from the saloon bar of the Coach and Horses public house, behind which his house is situated. Harbott hastily climbed a side gate of the public house, and alarmed the household.

In the house were Samuel Higgs, the landlord, an invalid; Mrs. Higgs, her daughter and two sons, a barmaid, and another servant. All were saved.

CARTLOADS OF CATS.

Extraordinary Hoax at a Fair in County Antrim, Ireland.

An extraordinary hoax has just been perpetrated at Ballymena, County Antrim.

Some time ago placards were posted throughout the neighborhood declaring that the war office authorities were purchasers of cats in unlimited numbers. The announcement set forth that barracks at home and abroad were overrun with rats, which not only destroyed the soldiers' rations and clothing, but even attacked their boots. Half-a-crown a head was offered for every suitable cat, and it was announced that a war office official would attend at the next Ballymena fair to purchase the animals.

Everyone commenced a wonderful hunt throughout the district. The cats had a lively time, and so had the small boys.

When the eventful day came cats took the prominent position usually occupied by pigs. Carloads of them were driven into the town, and a sharp look-out was kept for the war office official. There were all sorts and conditions of cats, ages and many breeds, but the purchaser failed to put in an appearance. The people are now looking for the perpetrator of the hoax.

Mr. Whittam, a special agent of the Washington bureau of manufactures, states in a special report that at least 40,000 pairs of clogs are sold in the northern counties of England every year.

MARRIED.

PAYNE-MAUDE—On Jan. 29th, at the church of St. Mary Magdalene, Mayne Island, B. C., by the Rev. H. St. J. Payne, rector of Esquimalt, brother of the bridegroom, and the Rev. Canon Paddon, rector of the parish, Harold Digby, seventh son of the late Sir Salisbury C. Payne, Baronet, of Bedfordshire, England, to Ruth Katinka, eldest daughter of Eustace Maude, late Commander R. N., and Mrs. Maude, of Point Comfort, Mayne Island, B. C., and granddaughter of the late Sir George Maude, Crown Equerry.

DIED.

COWPER—At his residence, 97 Menzies street, on the 29th instant, Mr. J. Cowper passed away. He was in his 84th year, and was a native of Wellingborough, Northamptonshire, Eng.

TREMBLEY—At Vancouver, on Jan. 31st, Paul R. Trethewy, aged 17 years.

ALLAN—At Vancouver, on Jan. 30th, Alfred Walker Allan, aged 25 years.

JOHNSON—At Vancouver, on Jan. 31st, Frank Johnson, aged 62 years.

Notice is hereby given that, 20 days after date, I intend to apply to the Hon. Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for a special license to cut and carry away timber from the following lands, situated in Barkley District:

No. 1 Claim.—Starting at a post planted at the N. W. corner of Section No. 6, Township No. 4, thence east 40 chains, thence south 40 chains, thence east 80 chains, thence south 40 chains, thence west 120 chains, thence 80 chains north to the point of commencement.

Located Jan. 10th, 1907.

ERNEST J. CONNER.

No. 2 Claim.—Starting at a post planted at the N. E. corner of Section No. 30, Township No. 3, thence south 80 chains, thence west 80 chains, thence north 80 chains, thence east 80 chains to the point of commencement, which is Section 31, Township No. 4.

Located Jan. 12th.

ERNEST J. CONNER.

No. 2 Claim.—Commencing at a post planted at the N. E. corner of Section No. 30, Township No. 3, thence south 80 chains, thence west to the shore of Marian Lake, thence following shore of lake to west line of Section 30, thence north to small lake, thence following shore of lake to north line Section 30, thence east to point of commencement, which is Section 30, Township No. 4.

Located Jan. 11th, 1907.

ERNEST J. CONNER.

No. 4 Claim.—Commencing at a post planted at the ¼ post on west line of Section No. 30, Township No. 4, thence west 80 chains, thence north 40 chains, thence east 40 chains, thence north 80 chains, thence east 40 chains, thence south 120 chains to point of commencement.

Located Jan. 11th.

ERNEST J. CONNER.

No. 5 Claim.—Commencing at a post planted at the ¼ post on west line of Section No. 30, Township No. 4, thence west 80 chains, thence south 100 chains, thence east 80 chains, thence north to south shore of Marian Lake, thence following shore of lake to point south of initial post, thence north to point of commencement.

Located Jan. 11th, 1907.

ERNEST J. CONNER.

No. 6 Claim.—Commencing at a post planted at the southwest corner of Claim No. 5, thence south 40 chains, thence east 160 chains, thence north 40 chains, thence west 160 chains to the point of commencement.

Located Jan. 12th.

ERNEST J. CONNER.

No. 7 Claim.—Commencing at a stake planted at the southwest corner of Claim No. 6, thence south 40 chains, thence east 160 chains, thence north 40 chains, thence west 160 chains to point of commencement.

Located Jan. 12th.

ERNEST J. CONNER.

LAND REGISTRY ACT.

In the Matter of an Application for a Duplicate of the Certificate of Title to Lot 6, of Part of Section 97, Lake District, Map 456.

Notice is hereby given that it is my intention, at the expiration of one month from the first publication hereof, to issue a Duplicate of the Certificate of Title issued to George E. Wilkerson on the 15th day of July, 1886, and numbered 694C.

S. Y. WOOTTON,
Registrar-General.

Land Registry Office,
Victoria, B. C., Jan. 22nd, 1907.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

In the Matter of the Estate of James Miller, Late of Galiano Island and Strawberry Vale, Lake District, Vancouver Island, Deceased.

Notice is hereby given that all persons having any claims or demands against the late James Miller, who died on or about the 26th day of November, 1906, at Galiano Island, in the Province of British Columbia, are required to send by post, prepaid, or to deliver to the undersigned, Solicitors herein for Margaret Ann Miller, Executrix under the will of the said James Miller, their names and addresses and full particulars in writing of their claims, and statements of their accounts and the nature of the securities, if any, held by them.

And take notice that after the 1st day of April, 1907, the said Margaret Ann Miller will proceed to distribute the assets of the said deceased among the persons entitled thereto, having regard only to the claims of which she shall then have had notice, and that the said Margaret Ann miller will not be liable for the said assets or any part thereof to any persons of whose claim she shall not then have received notice.

Dated at Victoria, B. C., the 30th day of January, 1907.

WOOTTON & GOWARD,
Bank of Montreal Chambers,
Victoria, B. C.,
Solicitors for the Said Margaret Ann Miller.

Notice is hereby given that, thirty (30) days after date, I intend to make application to the Honorable the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works to cut and carry away timber from the following described lands in Rupert District, B. C.: Commencing at a post planted at the southeast corner of Section eleven (11), Township thirty-two (32), thence eighty (80) chains north, thence eighty (80) chains west, thence eighty (80) chains south, thence eighty (80) chains east to point of commencement.

J. GARROW,
Per Robt. Victor, Agent.

Notice is hereby given that, thirty (30) days after date, I intend to make application to the Honorable the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works to cut and carry away timber from the following described lands in Rupert District, B. C.: Commencing at a post planted at the southeast corner of Section ten (10), Township thirty-two (32), thence eighty (80) chains north, thence eighty (80) chains west, thence eighty (80) chains south, thence eighty (80) chains east to point of commencement.

H. LAUMASTER,
Per Robt. Victor, Agent.

Notice is hereby given that, thirty (30) days after date, I intend to make application to the Honorable the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works to cut and carry away timber from the following described lands in Rupert District, B. C.: Commencing at a post planted at the southeast corner of Section seven (7), Township twenty-five (25), thence eighty (80) chains north, thence eighty (80) chains east, thence eighty (80) chains south, thence eighty (80) chains west to point of commencement.

A. COWLEY,
Per Robt. Victor, Agent.

Notice is hereby given that, thirty (30) days after date, I intend to make application to the Honorable the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works to cut and carry away timber from the following described lands in Rupert District, B. C.: Commencing at a post planted at the southeast corner of Section three (3), Township thirty-two (32), thence eighty-five (75) chains north, thence one hundred and sixty (160) chains west, thence east by shore line to point of commencement.

E. B. ROE,
Per Robt. Victor, Agent.

Notice is hereby given that, thirty (30) days after date, I intend to make application to the Honorable the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works to cut and carry away timber from the following described lands in Rupert District, B. C.: Commencing at a post planted at the southeast corner of Section seventeen (17), Township thirty-two (32), thence eighty (80) chains north, thence eighty (80) chains west, thence eighty (80) chains south, thence eighty (80) chains east to point of commencement.

A. J. ROE,
Per E. B. Roe, Agent.

Notice is hereby given that, thirty (30) days after date, I intend to make application to the Honorable the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works to cut and carry away timber from the following described lands in Rupert District, B. C.: Commencing at a post planted at the southwest corner of Section sixteen (16), Township thirty-two (32), thence eighty (80) chains north, thence eighty (80) chains east, thence eighty (80) chains south, thence eighty (80) chains west to point of commencement.

L. EASTMAN,
Per E. B. Roe, Agent.

Notice is hereby given that, thirty (30) days after date, I intend to make application to the Honorable the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works to cut and carry away timber from the following described lands in Rupert District, B. C.: Commencing at a post planted at the southwest corner of Section six (6), Township twenty-five (25), thence eighty (80) chains north, thence eighty (80) chains east, thence eighty (80) chains south, thence eighty (80) chains west to point of commencement.

J. EASTMAN,
Per Robt. Victor, Agent.

Notice is hereby given that, thirty (30) days after date, I intend to make application to the Honorable the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works to cut and carry away timber from the following described lands in Rupert District, B. C.: Commencing at a post planted at the southeast corner of Section twelve (12), Township thirty-two (32), thence eighty (80) chains north, thence eighty (80) chains west, thence eighty (80) chains south, thence eighty (80) chains east to point of commencement.

A. WEISER,
Per Robt. Victor, Agent.

Notice is hereby given that, 30 days after date, intend to make application to the Hon. the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for a special license to cut and carry away timber from the following described lands, situated in Snug Basin, Uchuckleset Harbor, Alberni Canal District: No. 4, commencing from the stake marked T. H. Knights-Bayne, about ½ mile up the Talisman river, on the northern boundary line of Lot 4, 160 chains lies west, thence 40 chains north, thence 160 chains east, thence 40 chains south, running along the northern boundary line of Lot 4 to point of commencement, containing 640 acres.

T. H. KNIGHTS-BAYNE.

Dated this 20th day of December, 1906.

Notice is hereby given that, thirty (30) days after date, I intend to make application to the Honorable the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works to cut and carry away timber from the following described lands in Rupert District, B. C.: Commencing at a post planted at the southwest corner of Section nine (9), Township thirty-two (32), thence eighty (80) chains north, thence eighty (80) chains east, thence eighty (80) chains south, thence eighty (80) chains west to point of commencement.

S. AVERY,
Per Robt. Victor, Agent.

Notice is hereby given that, thirty (30) after date, I intend to make application to the Honorable the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works to cut and carry away timber from the following described lands in Rupert District, B. C.: Commencing at a post planted at the southeast corner of Section one (1), Township thirty-two (32), thence eighty (80) chains north, thence eighty (80) chains west, thence eighty (80) chains south, thence eighty (80) chains east to point of commencement.

E. STEINER,
Per Robt. Victor, Agent.

Notice is hereby given that, thirty (30) days after date, I intend to make application to the Honorable the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works to cut and carry away timber from the following described lands in Rupert District, B. C.: Commencing at a post planted at the southeast corner of Section twelve (12), Township thirty-two (32), thence eighty (80) chains north, thence eighty (80) chains west, thence eighty (80) chains south, thence eighty (80) chains east to point of commencement.

E. LARGE,
Per Robt. Victor, Agent.

Notice is hereby given that, sixty days after date, I intend to apply to the Honorable Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase an Island located midway or thereabouts on the east side of Section Thirty-One, Victoria District, indicated by a post planted thereon one-sixth of a chain more or less east of the shore and marked "A. McA."

A. McAFEE.

Victoria, B. C., 19th December, 1906.

Notice is hereby given that, sixty (60) days after date, I intend to make application to the Hon. the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase the following described land, situated on the east bank of Naas River, opposite Aylansh Indian Village: Starting from a post which stands about 165 chains east of the N. E. corner of J. B. McCullagh's surveyed land, marked J. M. C.'s N. W. corner, thence running 40 chains south, thence 40 chains east, thence 40 chains north, thence 40 chains west to point of commencement, containing 160 acres more or less.

Dated the 8th December, 1906.

J. M. COLLISON.

Notice is hereby given that, sixty (60) days after date, I intend to make application to the Hon. the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase the following described land situated on the east bank of Naas River, opposite Aylansh Indian Village: Starting from a post which stands about 165 chains east of the N. E. corner of J. B. McCullagh's land, and about 10 chains south of Chas N. W. corner of J. M. Collison's land, marked H. A. C.'s N. E. corner, thence running 40 chains south, thence running 40 chains west, thence running 40 chains north, thence running 40 chains east to point of commencement, containing 160 acres more or less.

Dated the 8th December, 1906.

H. A. COLLISON.

Notice is hereby given that, sixty (60) days after date, I intend to make application to the Hon. the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase the following described land, situated on the east bank of Naas River, opposite Aylansh Indian Village: Starting from a post which stands about 20 chains west of S. E. corner of J. B. McCullagh's surveyed land, marked W. H. C.'s N. E. corner, thence running 40 chains south, thence 40 chains more or less west to the bank of the river, thence 40 chains more or less north, following bank of river to J. B. McCullagh's S. W. corner post, thence 45 chains more or less east to point of commencement, containing 160 acres more or less.

Dated the 8th December, 1906.

E. C. COLLISON.

Notice is hereby given that, sixty (60) days after date, I intend to make application to the Hon. the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase the following described land, situated on the east bank of Naas River, opposite Aylansh Indian Village: Starting from a post which stands about 20 chains west of the S. E. corner of J. B. McCullagh's surveyed land, marked W. N.'s N. W. corner, thence running 40 chains south, thence 40 chains east, thence 40 chains north, thence 40 chains west to point of commencement, containing 160 acres more or less.

Dated the 8th December, 1906.

WILLIAM NOBLE, Jr.,
Agent for William Noble, Sr.

Notice is hereby given that, 30 days after date, we intend to apply to the Hon. Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for a lease of a portion of the foreshore of Lot 1, Block 1, Skeena River District, beginning at a post marked J. H. T. and S.'s N. W. Cor., planted at high water mark about 800 feet west of Inverness Cannery, thence due south 200 feet, thence east at an equal distance throughout from the high water line 2,000 feet, thence due north to the shore, thence following the shore line west to place of beginning.

J. H. TODD & SONS.

December 11th, 1906.

Notice is hereby given that, 30 days after date, we intend to apply to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for special license to cut and carry away timber from the following described lands situated in Sayward District, commencing at a stake planted at the southwest corner of Lot 48, adjoining Lot 49, thence 80 chains west, thence 160 chains north, thence east to the northwest corner of Lot 58, thence following the west of Lots 58 and Lot 43 south and east to point of commencement.

THE RED FIR LUMBER CO.

Dated Dec. 17th, 1906.

Notice is hereby given that, sixty days after date, I intend to apply to the Honorable Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase an Island located midway or thereabouts on the east side of Section Thirty-One, Victoria District, indicated by a post planted thereon two and a half chains more or less east of the shore and marked "W. P."

W. FRASER.

Victoria, B. C., 21st December, 1906.

Notice is hereby given that, sixty days after date, I intend to apply to the Honorable Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase an Island located midway or thereabouts on the east side of Section Thirty-One, Victoria District, indicated by a post planted thereon half a chain more or less east of the shore and marked "D. A."

D. ANDERSON.

Victoria, B. C., 21st December, 1906.

Notice is hereby given that, sixty days after date, I intend to apply to the Honorable Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase an Island located midway or thereabouts on the east side of Section Thirty-One, Victoria District, indicated by a post planted thereon one chain more or less east of the shore and marked "J. P. F."

J. P. FRENCH.

Victoria, B. C., 21st December, 1906.

Notice is hereby given that, sixty days after date, I intend to apply to the Honorable Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase an Island located midway or thereabouts on the east side of Section Thirty-One, Victoria District, indicated by a post planted thereon three chains more or less east of the shore and marked "A. P."

A. BROWN.

Victoria, B. C., 21st December, 1906.

MINERAL ACT.
(FORM F.)

CERTIFICATE OF IMPROVEMENTS.
NOTICE.

"Rainy Day" Mineral Claim, situate in the Alberni Mining Division of Clayoquot District. Where located: On Anderson Lake, in Alberni Mining Division; the location line is along the lake shore.

Take notice that I, William M. Brewer, Free Miner's Certificate No. B7085, intend, sixty days from the date hereof, to apply to the Mining Recorder for a Certificate of Improvements, for the purpose of obtaining a Crown Grant of the above claim.

And further take notice that action, under section 37, must be commenced before the issuance of such Certificate of Improvements.

Dated this 28th day of November, A. D., 1906.

Notice is hereby given that, sixty (60) days after date, I intend to apply to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase one hundred and sixty (160) acres of land situated at the head of Dease Lake, and on the east side of the Lake, in the Laird Mining Division of Cassiar, B. C., commencing at a post marked "Initial Post No. 1," placed at the S. W. corner on the bank of Dease Lake; thence N. forty (40) chains to Post No. 2; thence E. forty (40) chains to Post No. 3; thence S. forty (40) chains to Post No. 4; thence W. forty (40) chains to Initial Post No. 1, at place of commencement, containing one hundred and sixty (160) acres more or less.

J. W. HASKINS.

Victoria, December 6th, 1906.

Notice is hereby given that, 30 days after date, we intend to apply to the Hon. Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for a special license to cut and carry away timber from the following described lands, situated on Cracroft Island, Coast District: Commencing at the northeast corner of T. L. claim No. 6244, thence south along the eastern line of said T. L. claim No. 6244 40 chains to the north line of T. L. claim No. 6241, thence east 50 chains more or less along the north line of said claim No. 6244 to the west line of T. L. claim No. 8364, thence north 100 chains more or less to shore on Bones Bay, thence west to the northeast corner of Lot 437, thence south 80 chains along the east line of said Lot 437 to the S. E. corner thereof, thence west 97 chains more or less to point of commencement.

THE LADYSMITH LUMBER CO., LTD.

Dated December 27th, 1906.

Notice is hereby given that, thirty days after date, I intend to apply to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to cut and carry away timber from the following described lands: Commencing at a post marked J. W. C., planted at the northwest corner of Lot 457, Cracroft Island, Clio Channel, Coast District, thence following the west line of said Lot 80 chains to T. L. claim 9460, thence following the north line of timber claims 9460 and 9459 west 80 chains, thence north to the shore of Clio Channel, thence following the shore line to point of commencement.

THE LADYSMITH LUMBER CO., LTD.

Dated Nov. 29th, 1906.

Notice is hereby given that, 30 days after date, I intend to apply to the Honorable the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for special timber licenses to cut and carry away timber from the following described lands, situate in District, Province of British Columbia, as follows:

1. Commencing at a post planted by the 43 post of the Esquimalt & Nanaimo Railway Boundary, thence west 80 chains, thence south 80 chains, thence east 80 chains, thence north 80 chains to point of commencement.

2. Commencing at the northwest corner of claim No. 1, thence west 80 chains, thence south 80 chains, thence east 80 chains, thence north 80 chains to point of commencement.

3. Commencing at the southeast corner of claim No. 1, thence south 80 chains, thence west 80 chains, thence north 80 chains, thence east 80 chains to point of commencement.

4. Commencing at the southwest corner of claim No. 3, thence south 80 chains, thence west 80 chains, thence north 80 chains, thence east 80 chains to point of commencement.

5. Commencing at the southeast corner of claim No. 3, thence south 80 chains, thence west 80 chains, thence north 80 chains, thence east 80 chains to point of commencement.

6. Commencing at the northwest corner of claim No. 5, thence west 80 chains, thence south 80 chains, thence east 80 chains, thence north 80 chains to point of commencement.

7. Commencing at the southeast corner of claim No. 5, thence south 80 chains, thence east 80 chains, thence north 60 chains to boundary line of E. & N. Ry. lands, thence following said boundary line a distance of 20 chains, thence west 60 chains to point of commencement.

8. Commencing at the southeast corner of claim No. 7, thence south 80 chains, thence west 80 chains, thence north 80 chains, thence east 80 chains to point of commencement.

9. Commencing at the southwest corner of claim No. 8, thence south 80 chains, thence west 80 chains, thence north 80 chains, thence east 80 chains to point of commencement.

10. Commencing at the northwest corner of claim No. 9, thence west 80 chains, thence south 80 chains, thence east 80 chains, thence north 80 chains to point of commencement.

11. Commencing at the southeast corner of claim No. 9, thence south 80 chains, thence west 80 chains, thence north 80 chains, thence east 80 chains to point of commencement.

12. Commencing at the northwest corner of claim No. 11, thence south 80 chains, thence west 80 chains, thence north 80 chains, thence east 80 chains to point of commencement.

13. Commencing at the southeast corner of claim No. 11, thence west 80 chains, thence south 80 chains, thence east 80 chains, thence north 80 chains to point of commencement.

14. Commencing at the northwest corner of claim No. 13, thence west 80 chains, thence south 80 chains, thence east 80 chains, thence north 80 chains to point of commencement.

15. Commencing at the northwest corner of claim No. 14, thence south 80 chains, thence west 80 chains, thence north 80 chains, thence east 80 chains to point of commencement.

16. Commencing at the southwest corner of claim No. 12, thence north 80 chains, thence west 80 chains, thence south 80 chains, thence east 80 chains to point of commencement.

17. Commencing at the northwest corner of claim No. 10, thence west 80 chains, thence south 80 chains, thence east 80 chains, thence north 80 chains to point of commencement.

18. Commencing at the northwest corner of claim No. 17, thence west 80 chains, thence south 80 chains, thence east 80 chains, thence north 80 chains to point of commencement.

19. Commencing at the southeast corner of claim No. 18, thence south 80 chains, thence west 80 chains, thence north 80 chains, thence east 80 chains to point of commencement.

20. Commencing at the northwest corner of claim No. 15, thence west 80 chains, thence south 80 chains, thence east 80 chains, thence north 80 chains to point of commencement.

21. Commencing at the northeast corner of claim No. 1, thence south 80 chains, thence east to said boundary line of the E. & N. Railway Co. lands, thence following said boundary line northerly to point of commencement.

22. Commencing at the southeast corner of claim No. 8, thence east 80 chains to said boundary line of E. & N. Ry. Co., thence along said boundary line northerly to the place where the line of claim No. 7 touches said boundary line, thence southerly to place of commencement.

Each of the above containing 640 acres more or less.

Dated this 19th day of January, 1907.

W. E. WILSON.
B. C. GRINNELL.

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C. H. FRENCH.

Victoria, B. C., 19th December, 1906.

Notice is hereby given that, sixty days after date, I intend to apply to the Honorable Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase an Island located midway or thereabouts on the east side of Section Thirty-One, Victoria District, indicated by a post planted thereon five chains more or less east of the shore and marked "J. T."

JAMES TAYLOR.

Victoria, B. C., 19th December, 1906.

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R. GEORGE.

Victoria, B. C., 19th December, 1906.

Notice is hereby given that, sixty days after date, I intend to apply to the Honorable Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase an Island located midway or thereabouts on the east side of Section Thirty-One, Victoria District, indicated by a post planted thereon one-sixth of a chain more or less east of the shore and marked "M. S."

B. M. SHAW.

Victoria, B. C., 19th December, 1906.

Notice is hereby given that, sixty days after date, I intend to apply to the Honorable Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase an Island located midway or thereabouts on the east side of Section Thirty-One, Victoria District, indicated by a post planted thereon three chains more or less east of the shore and marked "W. J. C."

W. J. CAVE.

Victoria, B. C., 19th December,