CANDIDATES REPLY TO QUESTIONS PUT

Ministerial Association Propounds a Series to Elicit Stand on Moral Issues

Rev. Joseph McCoy, as secretary of the Ministerial Association, furnishes the Times with a list of questions which were put by the association to the parliamentary candidates in this constituency and the answers received from Hon. Wm. Templeman and G. H. Barnard. A committee consisting of the president and secretary, was appointed to wait upon the candidates and present the questions, giving them to understand that their replies were to be published. The questions put by the association were as follows:

1. Will you, if returned, support an amendment to the Criminal Code raising the age of consent on the part of girls to 18 years, instead of 16 years, as at present?

2. Will you support the regulation recently enforced to close all government post offices on Sunday?

3. Will you be prepared to support or introduce an amendment to the betting act of 1910 in sub-section 2 of section 235 with the object of abolishing all betting on race tracks, and also of all privileges to racing associations which tend to foster bookmaking, pool selling and other forms of betting in connection with horse racing and other sports?

4. Will you support an amendment to the Lord's Day Act, clause 15, making it obligatory on the attorney-general of any province to see that the provisions of the act are enforced?

5. Will you do your utmost to maintain absolute equality of religion in the eye of the law, and resist any attempt to give one denomination precedence over another on public occasions of state?

Hon. Wm. Templeman replied as follows:

Rev. Jos. McCoy:—

Dear Sir: Referring to the questions you submitted to me on behalf of the Ministerial Association, I beg to answer as follows:

I approve of raising the age of consent to 18 years instead of 16 years, as at present.

The regulation respecting the closing of the post office on Sundays is a government act and necessarily has my support. The only exception I would make to its application would be in respect to certain isolated post offices, to which people come from long distances. I believe that such offices might very properly be opened for an hour or two on Sundays.

I am opposed to race track gambling of all kinds and supported the Miller bill. I have not changed my views on this question.

I believe in uniformity of laws and think the Lord's Day Act should be enforced alike in all the provinces.

In the eyes of the law all religions are as an equality, or ought to be, and if any denomination has precedence over another, as a result of law or regulation, I would be very much pleased to aid in removing what must be to the majority an invidious distinction.

Yours truly,
WILLIAM TEMPLEMAN.

The Rev. Joseph McCoy:—

Dear Sir: Replying to the questions submitted to me by the deputation from the Ministerial Association, I would reply as follows:

1. In answer to question 1—Yes.

2. In reply to question 2—I would say that, holding as I do somewhat broad views upon the liberty of the subect, unless it can be shown that the keeping open of the post office lobbies on Sundays would entail more Sunday labor on post office employees, I incline to the view that no moral injury would be done the public by the keeping open of the lobby.

3. Replying to question 3, I would say that the result of the agitation which culminated in the Miller bill for the abolition of race track gambling, and which bill I supported by vote and voice, was a compromise accepted by those who were responsible for the measure. Knowing, as I do, the feeling of the people of the east, as expressed through their representatives in parliament, I question much the wisdom of opening the question.

4. In answer to question 4, I am of opinion that this is essentially a matter which should be dealt with by the people of the different provinces, to whom the different attorneys-general are responsible, as a majority of each province sees fit.

I do not consider it advisable that in a matter of self-government of this kind that New Brunswick, say, should legislate for British Columbia, or British Columbia for New Brunswick.

5. Replying to question 5—Yes.

Yours truly,
G. H. BARNARD.

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LOCAL NEWS

—F. H. Munroe, president of the Henry George Lecture Association, is in this city making arrangements for a lecture to be given by Henry George, jr., on October 11.

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—Building permits were issued on Thursday by the building inspector to W. Oliphant for two dwellings on Oliphant street, $1,900 each; to Moore & Whittington, dwelling on Pembroke avenue, to cost $1,800.

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—Work on the Cameron Lake chalet on the Alberni extension of the E. & N. is progressing rapidly. Accommodation is being provided for 25 guests, and it is expected that every room will be occupied during the next tourist season.

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—At the business meeting of the W. C. T. U. on Thursday afternoon, Miss Copeland read her report of the restaurant, which was kept by the union at the fair grounds. A vote of thanks was passed Miss Copeland, and Mr. and Mrs. Smart for their services. The union desires to express its thanks to all who contributed pies, cakes and puddings and in any way assisted in the upkeep of the restaurant.

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—The following contributions towards the pound party at the Protestant Orphans' Home are thankfully acknowledged: Mrs. R. T. Elliot, Summit avenute, $5; "Cloverdale," $10; Mrs. Andrew Gray, rice; Mrs. Goodacre, rolled oats; Mrs. E. C. Hayward, rolled oats, sugar, tea; Mrs. W. Atkins, Dallas road, flour; Mrs. Luke Pither, two sacks flour; Mrs. McCulloch, four tins tomatoes, currants; Mrs. Hinton, sack sugar, raisins; Mrs. D. R. Ker, rolled oats; A Friend, tea and raisins.

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—The W. C. T. U. held a business meeting on Thursday afternoon at the mission, Store street. Mrs. McAdam presided. The report of the restaurant work undertaken by the union at the recent exhibition was given by Miss Copeland, to whom along with Mr. and Mrs. Tennant a hearty vote of thanks was accorded. The union desire to express their thanks also to all who sent puddings, pies, cakes and rendered assistance in anyway. There will be a pound party at the mission on Tuesday, October 3rd, when it is hoped as many as possible will by their help and presence show their sympathy in this work.

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—H. E. Beasley, superintendent of the E. & N. railway, and G. Robson, advertising manager of the C. P. R., have returned from their tour of inspection of this district throgh which the E. & N. railway runs. Mr. Robson was much impressed with the great possibilities, and the beauty of the country. The superintendent reported that the ballasting of the Alberni line is now within twelves miles of the town itself, and work on the Cowichan lake branch is progressing splendidly. The residents of Alberni are in an optimistic frame of mind, especially since the discovery of a coal deposit in the middle of the townsite. The Barkley Sound Lumber Company is negotiating for connection with the branch of the E. & N.., so as to take advantage of it as soon as it is in operation.

WESTMINSTER FAIR.

Vancouver Island Farm Produce to Take Prominent Place Amongst Exhibits.

Arrangements are being made by Captain Troup, superintendent of the C. P. R. coast service, for a boat to leave here on October 2, stopping at the small islands and other points in the Gulf of Georgia and taking on exhibits of agricultural products and cattle, for transport to New Westminster fair, to be held from October 3 to 7.

By this it is seen that the directors of the New Westminster fair recognize the fact that fruit and other farm produce from this and adjacent islands is second to none. Special prizes are being offered for exhibits from this part of the province.

THINKING THEMES

BY DR. FRANK CRANE

There is, after all, no God but My God. Whoever the habitant of heaven's throne and earth's rule may be, He is in the last analysis my personal something. Whatever real religion a man has is entirely an affair between himself and this peculiar Deity. No spiritual revelations come to crowds. Saint Francis was alone in the chapel when he received the stigmata. Every soul has been alone when it has received any spirit touch. Moses was alone in the mountain.

God is as secret as one's guilt. He is as private as one's conscience. He is as intimate as one's emotion.

The God of multitudes, of the congregation, of the world is imposing to the imagination, but He does not reach the soul. The soul's God dwells in the very bottom of the funnel of silence, in the last locked isolation of solitude. Whoever does not find God alone does not find Him at all.

God, as a usable idea, is not the Lord of Hosts, but the Lord of one single human being. He bears upon men, not in the lump, but individually. To use a phrase of Victor Hugo, "He is the ocean roar in the single soul, the rising tide in one heart." Doubting Thomas had never believed in God at all until he cried: "My Lord and my God."

REPORTS RADIUM ORE IN AUSTRALIA

Antarctic Explorer Says He Has Discovered Vast Lode

London, Sept. 16.—A dispatch to the London Daily Mail from Sydney, N. S. W., says that some months ago the Antarctic explorer, Dr. Douglas Mawson, who is an eminent geologist, aroused excitement in local mining circles by the announcement that he had discovered a valuable deposit of radium ore at Mount Painter, in the fourth northern district of South Australia.

Dr. Mawson has again visited the spot and issues a long report in which he declares that there is a vast lode of radium ore, at least three miles long and from a few feet to several hundred yards wide. The deposit is of high grade, the report says, and a quarter of a ton is ready for shipment. Dr. Mawson calculates the net profit per ton of crude ore at £227, or some $1,100.

He adds that huge deposits of corundum and aluminum-bearing ore exists in the vicinity.

TEACHER'S ASSAILANT TAKEN.

Hannah, N. D., Sept. 16.—Geo. Russel of Dubuc, Iowa, with a host of aliases, was arrested here this morning and has confessed to assaulting the Canadian school teacher at Snowflake, Man., thus ending a hunt which has kept both sides of the international boundary in arms for several days. He will fight extradition.

DECLARES IN FAVOR OF RECIPROCITY

Lord Mount Stephen Says It Would Be Good Thing for Country

London, Sept. 16. — Lord Mount Stephen, in a message to the Belfast Telegraph says that in his opinion reciprocity would be a good thing for both countries concerned directly, and at the same time would do no harm to England. The talk of reciprocity leading to annexation, his lordship affirms, is utter nonsense.

ANOTHER FRENCH AVIATOR KILLED

Dies as Result of Injuries Sustained When He Falls With Aeroplane

Verdun, France, Sept. 16.—Eduardo Nieuport, the French aeronaut, died to-day as a result of internal injuries received when he fell with his machine yesterday.

Nieuport accomplished some notable feats in flying at Chalons last Tuesday, competing in the preliminaries for the international aviation cup. He established a new aerodrome record, covering ninety miles at the rate of 80 miles an hour. He finished third in the contest for the cup, which was won by the American, Charles T. Wrinn, at Eastchurch, Eng. Wrinn on this occasion used a neuport aeroplane, one of the fastest types yet developed. As the designer of this machine, Nieuport won wider fame than he did in flying and it was in one of his own make that he established his record.

A scientist asserts that the odor of the sweetpea will drive flies out of a room.

WHAT IS TO BECOME OF SONGHEES RESERVE?

Promises of Premier McBride That Disposition of Valued Property Should Be Settled Last June Remains Unfulfilled

The determination of the Dominion government to enter upon a gigantic scheme of improvement of Victoria harbor, and in particular of the inner harbor, brings prominently to the fore the question of the disposition of the Songhees Indian reserve. What is to be the future, what the disposition, of this virgin tract lying close by the busiest thoroughfares of the city? Here under the new conditions will be created a great water frontage suitable for docks for ocean liners and all other kinds of floating craft, convenient to the business sections of the city and therefore with the rapid growth of Victoria to become enormously valuable. Are the citizens of Victoria to share in this good fortune? Is no portion of this water frontage to be reserved for the use of the people as a protection against the greed of corporations in future? Readers of the Times will recall a few facts in reference to the settlement of the reserve.

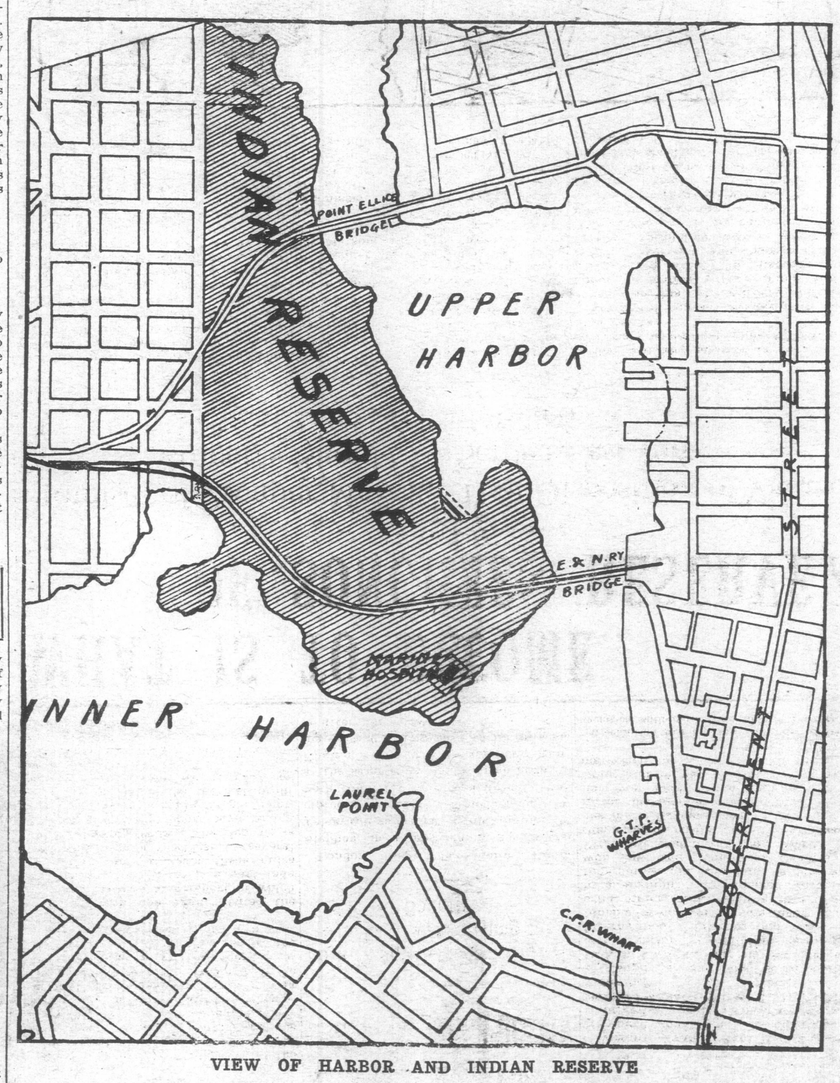
Many moons have waxed and waned since the Indian tribe voluntarily consented to their removal from the historic reserve across the harbor. The event, as was meet for the occasion, was celebrated in columns of boosting matter and scare heads three columns wide and all for the delectation of the white brother with a vote. The credit for the whole affair was taken by Premier McBride and one Mr. Samuel Matson, and their pictures, with that of the chief, of the tribe illuminated the pages of many issues, for the commission was large and sufficient to cover expenses. Everybody connected with the affair was a chief even unto Chief Oakum himself.

The Indians safely removed to that most beautiful of all suburban homes, "Maple Band," farm.

The question of the disposition of the old reserve arose, and it will be remembered that Premier McBride announced that an auction sale would take place in June, the whole tract first to be plotted and laid out in the most modern and scientific manner.

In June Mr. McBride had to go to the coronation. It was forthwith announced that the delayed auction sale would take place in September on his return, but the premier is back and still there is nothing doing at the Indian reserve.

Rumor, of course, is busy with the causes for this extraordinary shifting about in dealing with a public property which should be disposed of fairly to everyone, and, above all, in a manner completely above suspicion. It is stated openly by some that the scheme of the government is to divide up the tract between two favorite corporations, the city (in the simple mind of someone) to be squared by receiving a fair-sized slice for use as a public park.



VIEW OF HARBOR AND INDIAN RESERVE

Another thing is sure, that is the government, in spite of all pressure, has so far absolutely refused to announce what its intended settlement is before the day of the election.

Should not the electors of Victoria ask Premier McBride why he delays his contemplated schemes for the disposal of this valuable property, since he has held the settlement over for so long? Is he waiting to use it for campaign leverage at his next election?

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TAKES STEPS TO RELIEVE CHENG TU

Chinese Government Orders Former Viceroy to Suppress Rebellion

Pekin, Sept. 16.—An imperial edict issued yesterday admits that the situation in the province of Szchuan is dangerous and orders have been sent General Tzen Chun Suan to proceed thither immediately. He formerly was viceroy of Szchuan and Kwang Tung, and has the reputation of being a ruthless suppressor of rebellions.

Tuan Fang, director-general of the Kang Kong and Konkow-Szchuan Railroad, is instructed to devise means for raising the siege of Cheng Tu, capital of Szchuan. According to Chinese reports 2,000 modern troops who are outside Cheng Tu refuse to join the rebels' side.

The British gunboat Widgeon is leaving Sui Fu for Klating territory.

The Taotai of Chung King reports that the situation at Cheng Tu is serious. The rice supply has been cut off, and it is feared that a shortage of provisions will precipitate disturbances within the walls.

All approaches to Cheng Tu are held by rioters, the number of whom constantly is being augmented. There are reports of disturbances at Sui Fu (where the refugees recently arrived) and of fighting at Kia Tung, east of Cheng Tu on the Yangtze, and a station of the China Inland British mission, and at the American Baptist mission at Kia Tung.

It is not expected that there will be trouble at Chung Kiang for the present, as all of the disorderly ones have left for Cheng Tu. The missionaries generally are hastening to the nearest points of safety.

A Japanese gunboat is proceeding to Wan Hsien.

Demand Release of Leaders.

Chung King, Sept. 16.—Several American families from Klating and elsewhere have arrived here safely. Two thousand modern troops outside Cheng Tu have not yet joined the besiegers, but have moved from their barracks outside the walls, into a camp five miles distant. They refuse to obey the viceroy or participate in the siege. It is reported that the students of the military college have joined the noncombatants.

Authorities outside fear to attempt the relief of Cheng Tu lest the neutral soldiers join the rebels. The besiegers are armed only with antique weapons. They demand the release of the ringleaders of the railway league as a condition upon which they will raise the siege of the capital.

The British consul, temporarily in charge of American interests in this district, has issued an order to all American and British citizens in the upper districts of the province of Szchuan, where a rebellion is in progress, must leave immediately for the nearest place of safety.

Missionaries at Cheng Tu.

Toronto, Sept. 16.—A cablegram was received Thursday by Rev. T. E. Shore from the Baptist Missionary Society at Chung Kiang stating that all American Baptist Missionaries had reached there, also that the Klating missionaries were en route and that telegraphic communication with Yachow and Ning Yuan was cut off.

These places are in the American Baptist territory, and not in that of the Canadian Methodist Mission. The Klating party of missionaries would include the Canadian Methodists. It therefore looks like a confirmation of the despatches published Thursday, that the Cheng Tu missionaries were still in that city.

The walls of the Chinese cities for the most part are high and strong, Mr. Shore says. That of Cheng Tu, which is the most strongly fortified, is fifty feet high and about as broad. The Canadian Methodist compound is one of the best and most easily defended in the city, the walls being eight or ten feet high and unscaleable except by ladders.

SHANGHAI CHARGES DENIED.

Three Members of Schooner Blakeley's Crew Clear Tacoma's Shipping Master.

Tacoma, Wash., Sept. 16.—Affidavits from three members of the crew of the schooner Blakeley, contradicting sensational charges that United States Shipping Commissioner James Knox, Tacoma, entered into a plot with a sailors' boarding house to shanghai Henry Hawkins, a seaman of the crew, were received by Knox this afternoon from Captain J. W. Manka, master of the Blakeley. Hawkins charged while in Seattle that he had been shanghaied by the Blakeley with the connivance of Commissioner Knox.

Captain Manka heard of the charges on reaching Honolulu and investigated. Charles Johnson, a sailor, swore in his affidavit that he and Hawkins shipped together, that they did so of their own free will and that there is no element of shanghaieing. Keyasi Araki, the vessel's cook, and Tunachi Lematsu, the cabin boy, made affidavits along the same lines. All three swore Captain Manka never appeared intoxicated aboard the schooner as charged by Hawkins.

SIR WILFRID'S TOUR.

Rimouski, Que, Sept. 16.—Sir Wilfrid Laurier spoke to a crowd of 7,000 people here yesterday, the largest rural crowd yet met by the Premier. The anticipation of an "assemble contradictoire" brought trainloads of otherwise peaceful farmers from the harvest fields to the hustings and women from domestic duties to stand for hours in a chilly blast which blew from the gulf. The Premier arrived from Levis by special train at 3 o'clock and on the route had spoken at St. Paschal and Rivere du Loup. At the latter place, where it seemed the Nationalist doctrine had not made much headway, the premier had a notable welcome which pleased him. Altogether 14,000 people heard the Nationalists denounced and reciprocity exalted on high by the Premier yesterday and on each occasion there was an attractive welcome.

EMIGRANTS SWINDLED.

Winnipeg, Sept. 16.—Dominion immigration authorities are out on the trail of a mysterious Smith who collected $25 from thirty Englishmen before bringing them to Canada upon a promise of work. He landed the party in Calgary, where they are now stranded. Immigration Commissioner Bruce Walker is taking the matter up with the police.

Britain has twenty-eight railway tunnels a mile or more long.

LAND ACT

DISTRICT OF COAST, RANGE 3

Take notice that G. R. Talbot, of Victoria, B. C., gentleman, intends to apply for permission to purchase the following described lands: Commencing at a post planted at the N. W. corner of L. 125, on the north side of Neclestscon river, North Bentinck Arm, near Bella Coola government wharf, thence north along east boundary of L. 257 20 chains, thence east 20 chains more or less to L. 124, thence south 20 chains more or less to Dr. Quinlan's lot, thence west along northern boundary line of L. 125 20 chains more or less to post of commencement, containing 40 acres more or less.

G. R. TALBOT
By B. FILLIP JACOBSEN, Agent.
July 10th, 1911.

LAND ACT

DISTRICT OF COAST, RANGE III

Take notice that Louis Ericksen, of Vancouver, clerk, intends to apply for permission to purchase the following described lands: Commencing at a post planted 20 chains west of the N. W. corner of Lot 4 on the south side of North Bentick Arm on the shore line, thence south 20 chains, thence west 60 chains, the north 20 chains more or less to shore line, thence east 60 chains following shore line to post of commencement, containing 120 acres more or less.

LOUIS ERICKSEN.
B. FILLIP JACOBSEN, Agent.
June 26th, 1911.

LAND ACT.

RUPERT LAND DISTRICT
DISTRICT OF RUPERT

Take notice that Thomas Hodgson, of Vancouver, B. C., teamster, intends to apply for permission to purchase the following described lands: Commencing at a post planted on the south shore of Kains Lake, about 10 chains north of the N. E. corner of Section 21, Township 20, thence south 50 chains, thence west 80 chains, thence north 80 chains, thence in a southeasterly direction along the southwest shore of Kains Lake to point of commencement, containing 560 acres more or less.

THOMAS HODGSON
(Agent) MARSHALL S. OULTON
August 9th, 1911.

LAND ACT.

RUPERT LAND DISTRICT
DISTRICT OF RUPERT

Take notice that Herbert Westcott, of Vancouver, B. C., chemist, intends to apply for permission to purchase the following described lands: Commencing at a post planted on the northwest shore of Kains Lake, about 40 chains south of the northwest corner of Section 33, Township 20, thence west 80 chains, thence south 40 chains, thence east 50 chains to Kains Lake, thence in a northeasterly direction along the northwest shore of Kains Lake to point of commencement, containing 360 acres more or less.

HERBERT WESTCOTT
(Agent) MARSHALL S. OULTON
August 9th, 1911.

LAND ACT.

RUPERT LAND DISTRICT
DISTRICT OF RUPERT

Take notice that Ernest Morris, of Vancouver, B. C., bookkeeper, intends to apply for permission to purchase the following described lands: Commencing at a post planted on the north shore of Kains Lake on the west boundary of Section 33, Township 20, thence east 80 chains, thence south 40 chains, thence in a northwesterly direction along the north shore of Kains Lake to point of commencement, containing 160 acres more or less.

ERNEST MORRIS.
(Agent) MARSHALL S. OULTON
August 10th, 1911.

LAND ACT.

RUPERT LAND DISTRICT
DISTRICT OF RUPERT

Take notice that Burpee G. Cole, of Vancouver, engineer, intends to apply for permission to purchase the following described lands: Commencing at a post planted on the southeast shore of Kains Lake on the eastern boundary of Section 27, Township 20, thence south 60 chains, thence west 80 chains, thence 50 chains north to Kains Lake, thence in a northeasterly direction along the south shore of Kains Lake to point of commencement, containing 440 acres more or less.

BURPEE G. COLE
(Agent) MARSHALL S. OULTON
August 9th, 1911.

LAND ACT.

RUPERT LAND DISTRICT
DISTRICT OF RUPERT

Take notice that John Frampton, of Montreal, Quebec, chef, intends to apply for permission to purchase the following described lands: Commencing at a post planted on the northeast shore of Kains Lake, about 40 chains north of northeast corner of Section 22, Township 20, thence north 40 chains, thence west 80 chains, thence in a southeasterly direction along the northeast shore of Kains Lake to point of commencement, containing [illegible] acres more or less.

JOHN FRAMPTON
(Agent) MARSHALL S. OULTON
August 10th, 1911.

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