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DISCUSS PLANS FOR PUBLICITY MOVE

Views of Various Speakers Regarding Development Work Aired in Session

(From Saturday's Daily)
A very large as well as a thoroughly representative meeting of citizens was held at four o'clock yesterday afternoon in the Board of Trade rooms for the purpose of forming a local association, which shall act one of the subsidiary bodies of the Vancouver Island Development League.
It was estimated that some 200 persons were present.
Mr. Simon Leiser, the president of the Board of Trade, took the chair, and Mr. E. G. Prior, secretary, presided. Mr. Leiser observed that as the Tourist Association had been dissolved it had become advisable to form a local association to take its place.
The Vancouver Island Development League with Hon. E. G. Prior as chairman, had already been formed for collecting funds for advertising purposes, but as this city had done nothing so far in the way of establishing a local body, it was deemed advisable to take action in the matter. He wished it to be distinctly understood, however, that although the League was under the auspices of the Board of Trade, this was not at all a Board of Trade, but purely a citizens' meeting. (Hear, hear.)

Hon. Mr. Prior thought it would be generally agreed that we had upon this island/resources of the most magnificent as well as varied character, which were, however, for the most part, allowed to lay dormant. (Hear, hear.) Towns upon the other side of the line, such as Seattle, Tacoma and Portland, as well as the city of Vancouver in this province were making tremendous strides owing to the vigorous enterprise shown by their citizens. San Francisco was being rapidly built up and Los Angeles was becoming an enormous centre of population. (Hear, hear.) While it was quite true that some of our citizens were doing their very best to advance the interests of Victoria and to enlarge its boundaries, it was also evident that more concentrated effort was required in order that every man in what we call his business, might help in this important work either with money, or through the exercise of his energy, influence and example. (Applause.)

A Vancouver Island Development League had been formed, with local associations in the important towns of Nanaimo, Ladysmith, Comox and Alberni, etc., and Victoria alone lacked a branch. While Victoria, owing to the fact that it was the chief place upon the island, had been made the head of the League, it was absolutely necessary to organize a local branch, which would have the same position as its own affairs. (Hear, hear.) They would all, however, use the same style of letter head, a map of the island, with its principal cities and harbors, in large letters, the words Vancouver Island Development League and the name of each town in the League, as occasion required.

The literature, however, would all be issued from here and a paid secretary would be employed in order to work the money at their disposal effect greater results than would be otherwise possible. (Hear, hear and applause.)

They had been rejoiced to learn from Mr. Marpole, the chief executive agent of the P. I. Co., after the president of the E. & N. Co., that he was in hearty accord with the objects which the League had in view. (Hear, hear.) Mr. Marpole also assured them that no other place in the whole world possessed either more varied or more extensive resources, or had better opportunities for their development. (Applause); that the C.P.R. Co. recognized the wonderful possibilities of the island, that upon it would be accomplished the greater part of the railway building which would be accomplished during the next ten years. (Hear, hear and applause.)

He was delighted to see assembled so large and so representative a meeting, and reminded them that the League's intentions included the proper development of the whole country of Vancouver Island as well as this city. (Hear, hear and applause.)

As Mr. C. C. Chapman had told them at the recent convention, the best way to build up a town was to fill up the surrounding country with progressive people. (Hear, hear.) The cities of Portland, Seattle, etc., had achieved splendid results through the wise expenditure of large sums of money for publicity purposes (Hear, hear), and it was now necessary to organize and appoint a committee of energetic citizens who would take charge of a local branch.

The gentlemen who had managed the affairs of the Tourist Association had done excellent work, although he considered the style of Tourist Association a misnomer and an unfortunate selection (Hear, hear), for they desired to secure something more than the presence of tourists, and to use the agricultural and manufacturing interests of the island properly and thoroughly developed. (Applause.)

"The name Development League was a much better choice, and as the Tourist Association no longer existed, a new organization should at once be formed. (Applause.)

Its Work Not Known.
Mr. C. H. Lugin remarked that one reason why the Tourist Association was not as popular as it might have been was because the people of Victoria really had known very little about what it was doing.

Hon. Mr. Prior ("Hear, hear.") His advertising, which was both considerable and well chosen, had been done abroad and the people, because it made little stir locally, formed the very erroneous impression that it had been doing nothing. And yet the resume of its work which had very recently been submitted to the city council by Mr. John Nelson, showed that as a matter of fact a very great deal had been accomplished during the past year. While its ex-members were willing to do anything in their power to aid in the formation of a local and a five branch of the Island Development League.

The real trouble which the Tourist Association had encountered lay in the lack of sufficient money for its purposes, and not only were they unable to employ a paid secretary, but they had been reduced to the necessity of conducting this most necessary and important business in a most plain and unbusinesslike fashion (Hear, hear) and they had been reduced to the necessity of "subscribing handsomely towards the accomplishment of this un-

dertaking, these attempts would end in failure. (Hear, hear.) These subscriptions should be general.—
Hon. Mr. Prior: "Hear, hear."
—For no such occasion should depend for its funds upon a few people. (Hear, hear.) There were many citizens who were not actively engaged in business and who would not make a direct profit out of these efforts, but nevertheless, although their contributions must of necessity be small, he hoped that such arrangements would be made as would permit these people to give something towards the promotion of the general and permanent advantage of the city of Victoria and of Vancouver Island as a whole. (Hear, hear.) In the first place money must be got, while in the second place, it must be secured from as many people as possible. (Applause.)

Mr. Nelson said that they had at last reached the stage when they must act. Some six years ago an attempt had been made but unsuccessfully, to interest the other parts of the island in these matters, but on this occasion, having succeeded in their efforts, they must join in the undertaking. (Hear, hear.) Only that morning word had been received from Duncan that a Board of Trade, having been formed under the most favorable circumstances, they, too, wished to co-operate in the Vancouver Island Development League. (Hear, hear and applause.) The whole question at this somewhat critical juncture resolved itself into one issue, the raising of the money that was necessary for their purposes. He believed that a general fund should be raised through the city which was for the general benefit (hear, hear) but while the city council should vote towards this work at least \$5,000, they should raise also, either as much as \$5,000 or \$10,000, indeed, \$100,000 would be required and for a term of years. (Hear, hear.) One of the very first things to be done was to engage an experienced, capable and efficient secretary, and such men were available, at a price. But it would be necessary to pay a fair salary, while they must also be in a position to guarantee employment for a definite period. Subscriptions should be also received not for a single season but for a term of years, and collections should be made through the subscribers' bankers. (Hear, hear.) Money could further be obtained from outside sources and no time was to be lost as in two or three months the Seattle exposition would be opened. (Hear, hear.)

Mr. H. G. Wilson urged the importance of entering upon a general publicity campaign. (Hear, hear.) He had taken considerable interest in these matters and he was quite convinced that the majority of the people favored this undertaking. (Applause.) But they must have money which must be collected. (Hear, hear.) And in his opinion the business people of this city should be divided into three classes, first, second and third, and what each person should be able to give should be set down. While those who were not in business, but who were willing to subscribe, should be in the next place considered. (Hear, hear.)

On Sunday last he had run through the telephone book and even from quite an incomplete list of the business firms he had figures that with such individual amounts as \$25, \$50 and \$100, the sum of \$10,000 should be without any difficulty whatever be collected. (Hear, hear and applause.)

As far as wholesale houses were concerned, subscriptions of \$100 were being only at the rate of \$3 per month, or \$2.00 per week. (Hear, hear.) This was purely a business proposition (hear, hear) which carried an expense that should be charged against the business in the ordinary way, and not a subscription to take a chance upon it, but if at all possible, two or three years the venture should prove to be unsuccessful the association could be dissolved. (Hear, hear.) As in his opinion, everybody was in favor of this enterprise an active collection campaign should be at once begun, and then when the money was in sight or in their exchequer, a secretary could be engaged and literature be issued. (Hear, hear.)

Everyone Interested
Mr. George Coldwell remarked that lack of publicity the proceedings of the Tourist Association properly explained the real reason why that association was regarded with such general indifference. (Hear, hear.) Every business man and indeed every citizen was interested, and vitally interested, in this undertaking, for anything which would increase the business of the city helped everybody who lived here in and about Victoria. (Hear, hear.) Mr. Chapman had dwelt upon the importance of improving the outside districts and this was just as true here as in any other centre of population. (Hear, hear.) The workmen, who were the real backbone of Victoria, would be perfectly willing to contribute their fair quota towards this important enterprise, although, of course, they could not individually give large sums. (Hear, hear and applause.) He had received letters concerning parties of twenty-two, eleven and eight persons who were now hesitating whether they should go to Southern California or come out to Victoria and await the opening of the exposition in Seattle here in and about Victoria, as well as upon Vancouver Island as a whole. (Hear, hear and applause.)

Mr. Todd: "I have only this to say, when you want money you will not be disappointed if you come down our way." (Applause.)
Mr. Hayward: "I have only to endorse what Mr. Todd has said." (Applause.)

Mr. Turner explained that while he was present simply in his capacity as a citizen, he was in most hearty accord with this plan of advancing the development of the island (Hear, hear), and he would not only do everything in his power to assist the movement, but he was prepared to support most energetically any project which had in view the building up of the island as a whole, and particularly of the city of Victoria. (Applause.)

Mr. Geo. Carter held that in reality the Tourist Association had done magnificent work in the way of advertising the city of Victoria (Hear, hear). They now stood at a cross road, where one sign pointed towards prosperity and progress and the other sign towards stagnation (Hear, hear). A committee should be at once appointed to take up this proposition

and press it vigorously forward to a conclusion (Hear, hear). If the proper steps were taken the money required would assuredly be forthcoming and they should be prepared to pay at least two or three thousand dollars a year for a secretary (applause).

City Should Vote Money.
Ex-Mayor Morley strongly condemned the action of the city council of 1902 in referring the important matter to the rate-payers and held that they should at no time hesitate in spending the public money in this field of work (Hear, hear). It was highly unfair that a certain group of business men should be his every year in order to secure all the money which was needed for publicity work and if Victoria was ever to go ahead, not spasmodically, but steadily and even rapidly, this could only be accomplished by treating this whole subject from the broadest point of view (Hear, hear). In Los Angeles and in Winnipeg a deep and general interest was manifested in such movements and the same spirit should be evinced here (Hear, hear). He most heartily approved the proposition whose cost should be defrayed out of the city's exchequer, and would urge such projects, for as possible (applause). In his experience, and it had been very considerable in connection with the Vancouver Development League, the expense was thrown upon 30 or 40 business houses and the city could upon these undertakings that a few citizens could afford to spend \$10,000 (Hear, hear). Regular \$2.75. Sale Price \$2.00

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Capt. Curtis argued that our valuable resources in the shape of fishing grounds should not be forgotten when the campaign of publicity was begun. Urges Immediate Collection.
Mr. Leiser suggested the immediate appointment of a committee to collect funds as far as possible, which must be open in a couple of months time and the Hon. Mr. Prior urged the nomination upon this committee not only of business and professional men but of all classes of society. (Hear, hear.)

Mr. Lugin advised the formation in the first place of a branch of the Vancouver Island Development League and in the next place the appointment of a committee.
He then moved, Mr. Geo. Carter seconding that a Victoria Branch be formed, all the subscribers to its funds being ipso facto members of it. This motion was carried unanimously amid applause.

Mr. Jas. Forman who was a member of the original committee, was urged that assistance to the extent of \$5,000 if not of \$7,000 should be sought from the City Council. (Applause.) There were many citizens he added who although they would clearly benefit from such an expenditure, did not give towards it as a single penny, and the only way in which this class could be reached was by obtaining a grant from the city's treasury. He moved seconded by Mr. John Nelson that in due course a deputation wait upon the mayor and the city council and submit an application for a grant of \$5,000 a year.

This motion was carried and shortly after the meeting the following committee was nominated: The Hon. E. G. Prior, Messrs. Simon Leiser, A. W. McCurdy, G. H. Wilson, J. J. Shallock, George Coldwell, D. Kerr, Frank LeRoy, C. A. Holland and Samuel Watson.

The great majority of the citizens present signed the following resolution: That the Victoria Branch of the Vancouver Island Development League.

TO SETTLE A HINTERLAND.
We made a passing reference yesterday to the plans of the Quebec clergy for the settlement of the country lying along the part of the National Transcontinental railway lying west of Quebec. Our impression was that the plans only related to Quebec province, but an article in the Montreal Star shows that it embraces Ontario also. The cleric at the head of the movement is Bishop Latulippe, who was recently appointed apostolic vicar of Temiskaming. He has been called "the Bishop of Colonization," and has already been in consultation with ecclesiastical and transportation authorities. An office has been opened in Montreal and an experienced staff is being organized to inaugurate colonization along the route of the above railway. The first work will be done in the neighborhood of Temiskaming where the Star says, "running away west along the line of the G. T. F. lies a rich clay belt fifty miles wide and three or four hundred miles long, where splendid wheat has already been grown in a few cleared fields. It opens in the northland a new empire—a country with a climate with which the French-Canadians are well acquainted, and of which they are not afraid." The idea of the Bishop and his coadjutors is to repatriate as many as possible of the French-Canadian who have gone to the United States, and to encourage them to provide for the increasing population of Quebec. In these new lands people will find room, who might otherwise go to the cities and add to the congestion of the population there. It is a grand and patriotic movement and its success will be watched with intense interest. The organization available to take up this enterprise is the most efficient in all the world.

Abyssinia's Troubles.
Jibuti, Africa, Feb. 6.—The last reports received here say that Emperor Menelik, of Abyssinia, has had a relapse, and that his condition is serious. At present he is in a delicate condition, and it is expected that he will die. He has a grave dispute with his queen concerning the succession, and his aged twelve, has been selected as the heir. The Minister of War has left the capital, and his grandson, whose destination is not known, has taken the present peace in Abyssinia has not been disturbed.

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