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## BOARD OF TRADE MAKES DONATION TO FLOWER SHOW

Publicity Committee Recommend the Immediate Procuring  
Of Photographs of Town and District—Progress  
Reported By Other Committees.

A well attended meeting of the Board of Trade was held on Tuesday evening last and no doubt the good attendance was prompted chiefly by the question of the sewerage system being before the Board.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and signed and the chairman called for reports of standing committees.

No reports were submitted by the Railway and Transportation or the Public Welfare Committees, but the Publicity Committee was ably represented and progress was reported, furthered by the suggestion that photographs be taken of the town and neighborhood and that cuts be made, and as at the present time a series of one hundred pictures were being taken of the district by a local photographer it was thought that a small amount of money should be set aside to purchase cuts which could be used for advertising purposes.

Another matter of interest to Sidney was the proposed golf links which an English syndicate were looking into, and it was decided that every possible means be taken to get full particulars of the proposition, which if it materialized would be a great advertising feature.

When the question of issuing pamphlets was mentioned a decided stand was taken by one member, that the truth and nothing but the truth be advertised. This was not advocated because of any previous wrong advertising, but the speaker was of the opinion that Sidney while possessing a splendid agricultural district, was not the place for the farmer to come to, but that as a residential district it could not be surpassed, and that advertising along the latter lines be got out. "It would be a shame," he added, "to ask a man from the eastern provinces to come to a country to make his fortune where land was so expensive, and yet," he added, "the land is not high priced from a residential standpoint considering the climate and scenery."

The Sanitation Committee submitted a lengthy report dealing with the disposal of garbage, etc., but as the district considered in the report was not a health district according to the act, no steps could be taken, and as it was the desire of the committee as a whole to have a health district formed along the lines of municipalities, a motion was forwarded that the report be adopted and that the Provincial Board of Health be approached with a view to have the area lately submitted as the proposed municipality of Sidney declared a health district.

The sewerage system was next discussed and the unanimous opinion of the Board was that the plan submitted by the engineer should be adopted, subject, of course, to the vote of the property holders in the district to be served. This district comprises the original townsite of Sidney, and it was specially pointed out by the engineers that if the system as outlined is put in it will in no way interfere with or be liable to any alteration when any further sewerage work is done. Public meetings will have to be called and the matter discussed from a financial and sanitary point of view in order that all shall be of one mind on perhaps the most important factor in the upbuilding of Sidney from a health standpoint.

Correspondence was next in order, among which was a letter from the B. C. Electric Company stating that the matter of appointing a collector in Sidney would have their consider-

ation. A letter was also read regarding the dredging of the Sidney Island lagoon, and a copy of this was ordered sent to Mr. Courtney, of the Sidney Island Brick and Tile Company.

In keeping with the generosity displayed by the Board on all occasions on a suggestion that a grant be made towards the Flower Show, the sum of \$20 was unanimously voted.



THE SIDNEY FOOTBALL TEAM.

## SIDNEY YOUNG LADIES WALK TWENTY MILES IN FIVE HOURS

An Average of Four Miles an Hour Without a Rest of Any Kind  
Except For a Drink of Water at a Wayside Farmhouse.

Sidney is honored by having numbered among her residents three young ladies who have in a quiet way made a record for themselves that perhaps has never before been equalled in the history of the town, and may not be equalled again in the near future. As every one knows it is twenty good long miles from Sidney to the city of Victoria, and considering the abundant transportation facilities very few people ever take it into their head to walk the distance simply for the pleasure they find in walking. Yet on Saturday, March 14th, a trio of Sidney's fair young ladies in the persons of Miss M. F. Glen, of the public school teaching staff, Miss E. Griffin, and her guest, Miss M. Edge, of Vancouver, decided to make the attempt, and what is more they accomplished the feat in the remarkable time of four hours and fifty seconds from the time they left Mr. Griffin's residence on Third street at 9.50 a.m., until they arrived at the City Hall, Victoria at 2.40 p.m.

A remarkable feature of the performance is the fact that they refused all offers of assistance from passing vehicles, and they did not stop once

## FAMILIAR OBJECT WILL BE SEEN NO MORE

He Performed His Duties Faithfully  
and Will Now Receive His  
Reward.

The canvas bag with the brown leather trimmings, which for the past twelve months has been the faithful companion of one of our respected citizens, who in the paths of duty made daily trips to meet the steamers which touch at the Sidney wharf, will no longer be seen on parade. With the rest of the regalia pertaining to the office of express agents it was sent to Victoria, from which point it will, no doubt, find its way to green fields and pastures new. Its neat and tidy appearance was marked by all and it was as a guiding star to those who preferred to enter Sidney by way of the wharf. In sunshine or rain, it was always there, conspicuous in itself and lending dignity to the officer whose duty and privilege it was to carry it.

## S. S. JOAN WILL REMAIN ON SIDNEY AND ISLANDS ROUTE

C. P. R. Officially Deny the Report Circulated Last Week  
That the Boat Would Be Transferred to More Important Position—Another Report Denied.

For some time past a persistent report has been in circulation in Sidney, and apparently in Victoria as well, to the effect that it was the intention of the C. P. R. to withdraw the S. S. Joan from the Victoria-Vancouver-Sidney and Islands route and replace her with a smaller and inferior boat. In fact an article appeared in the Daily Colonist of recent date giving out the apparent information that such was the intention of the company. No reason whatever was given for the sudden change.

The matter was brought to the attention of Mr. W. W. Foster, the member for the Islands constituency, who immediately sought an interview with the C. P. R. head officials at Victoria, who were emphatic in giving

out the pleasing information that the company did not have the slightest intention of changing the Joan from her present route, as the boat had been giving splendid satisfaction on her run and no complaints had been received. There is absolutely no truth in the statement, said the officials, and they would immediately take steps to have it contradicted.

This will be pleasing news to the residents of Sidney and the many islands at which the Joan calls on her regular trips up and down the Gulf, as they have come to look upon the old boat as almost part and parcel of their daily existence, and look forward with a good deal of pleasure to hearing the sound of her well-known mellow whistle announcing the fact, to residents of the Islands in particular, that they have at least this one trusty link to keep them in touch with other parts of the province and progress in general.

Another rumor that has also been in circulation is to the effect that Mr. W. W. Foster, M.P.P., is closely identified with the new transportation company recently organized for the purpose of running a passenger and freight service in practically the same territory as that covered by the Joan, is absolutely denied by Mr. Foster himself, and he authorizes the Review to state that he is not a director of any new transportation company and has no interest of any kind whatever in it, other than as member for the Islands constituency, and in the interests of which he was at all times prepared to do his utmost in the solving of the transportation problems confronting the people of this district.

## LOOKING OVER SITES FOR NEW BUILDING

Location Selected Some Time Ago  
Did Not Meet With Approval  
of Department.

Mr. W. F. Teetzel, of the Dominion Department of Public Works, was in town Wednesday for a few hours on business connected with the purchase of a suitable site for the new public building to be erected in Sidney in the near future. The site selected last fall failed to meet with the approval of the department.

## THE BISLEY OFFICERS.

An official announcement was made recently from the office of the Dominion of Canada Rifle Association of the appointment of the officers of the Canadian Bisley team for 1914. The commandant is to be Lieut.-Col. J. G. Ross, officer commanding 1st Battalion, 5th Highlanders, Montreal, and the adjutant, Lieut. C. W. Gibson, 13th Royal Regiment, Hamilton. Lieut.-Col. Ross is a member of the Council of the Dominion of Canada Rifle Association and is an enthusiastic rifleman. Lieut. Gibson is one of the best rifle shots in Canada, and in 1913 was third for the Governor-General's prize in the annual matches of the D.C.R.A. at Ottawa. He is the son of Colonel The Hon. Sir J. Morrison Gibson, lieutenant-governor of Ontario.

## COUNTRY CLUB WILL OPEN APRIL FORTH

Great Improvements Have Been Made  
to the Building and Also  
the Grounds.

The Victoria Automobile Association which last year secured the large stone house and grounds on Third street from Dr. W. G. Cumming, for their country club will hold a formal opening there on April 4th next. This valuable property has been altered to suit the requirements of the club while it is their intention to beautify the surrounding grounds. The active interest which is being taken by the association in our neighborhood towards a successful season goes to show that the climate and scenery in and around Sidney leaves little to be desired along these lines.

## A SHOOTING MATCH.

A matched shoot of four men aside between members of the Victoria and Sidney Gun Clubs will take place on Saturday afternoon at the local grounds. It is expected that the following gentlemen will represent the Victoria club: Messrs. Fred White, Sylvester Otto, Weiler and Babcock. The Sidney aggregation will likely be Low Horth, J. Roberts, George Brethour and one other to be chosen later. Each man is to shoot twenty-five birds. The match will take place at about three o'clock in the afternoon.

## FOR THE CHAMPIONSHIP OF NORTH SAANICH

Local Athletes Will Row a Mile Over  
the Waters of the Strait of  
Georgia.

A sculling match for the championship of North Saanich and a silver medal will be pulled off on Saturday afternoon next at 1.30, between F. L. McKenzie, of Deep Cove, and Henry Muench, of North Saanich, the distance to be covered will be one mile and the rowers will finish opposite the Sidney wharf. The boats to be used will be of the skiff variety.

Mr. John Roberts will start the race, while Mr. Fletcher North will act as referee and Messrs. W. Warne and C. Moses will be the judges at the finish.