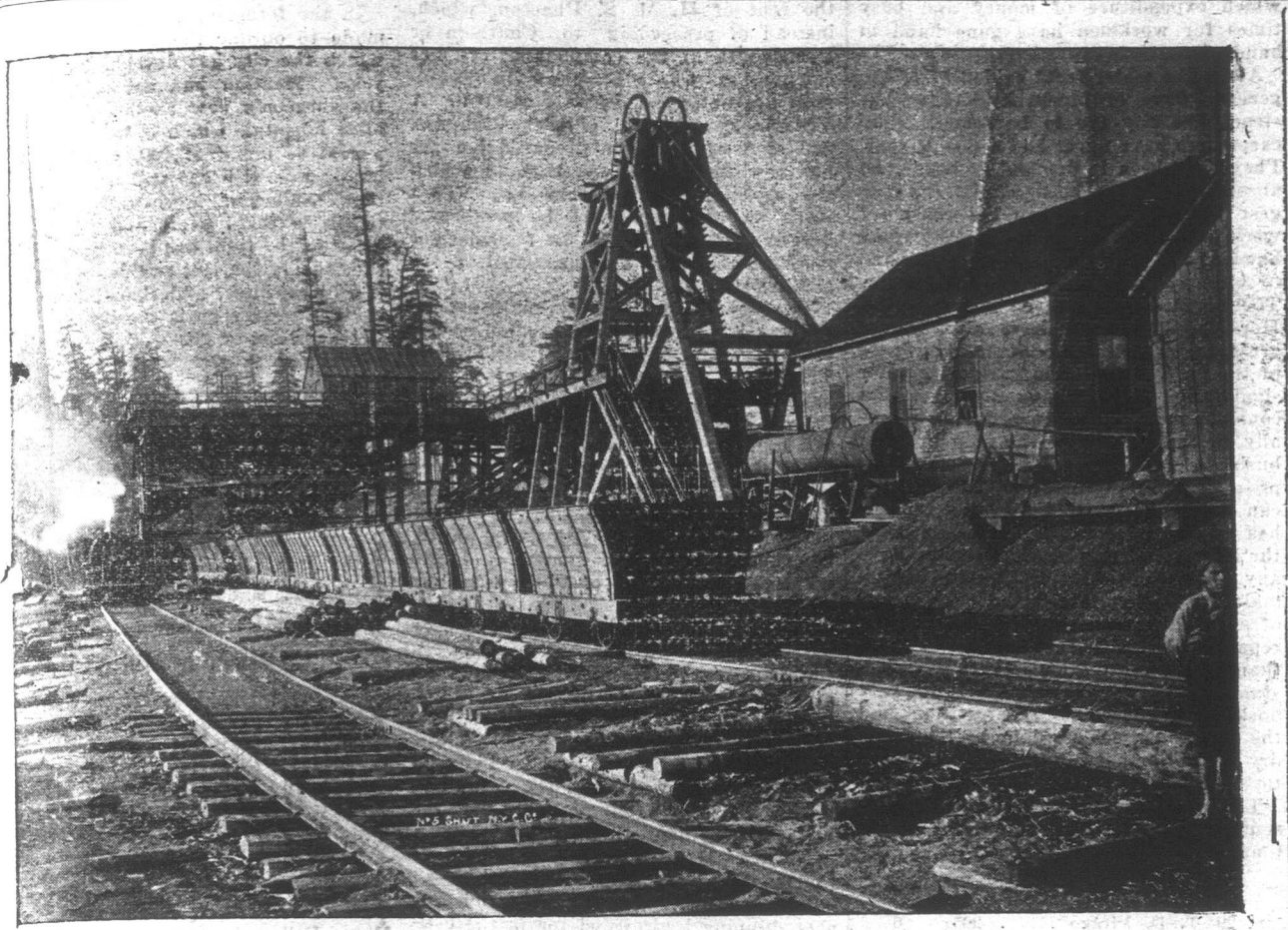


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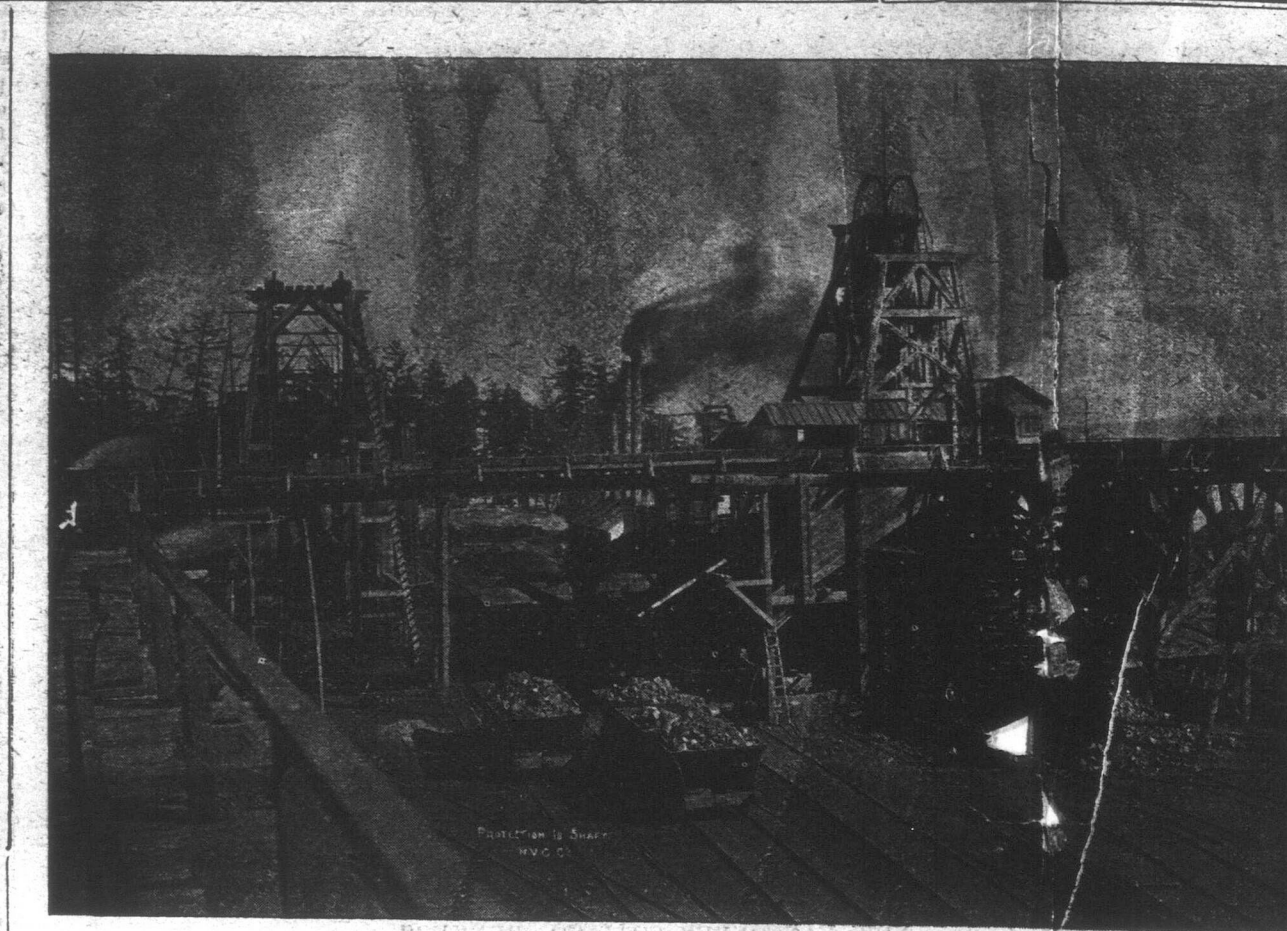
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the old shacks of the city are replaced by palatial brick structures...

other of the most prominent of Mr. Hepburn's buildings is now in the course of construction on the corner of Government and Cormorant streets...

that it will be ready for occupancy in the course of a couple of months. There will be accommodation for four stores...

year in the laying of permanent sidewalks was in the neighborhood of \$30,000. Of the expenditure in improvements of this description two-thirds of the cost is borne by the property owners affected...



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station, described elsewhere in this article, represents an expenditure of about \$20,000 in itself, while the annual appropriation of \$30,000 for streets and bridges is an easily exhaustible quantity...

street (north side), from Quadra street east; (15) On Frederick street (south side), from Quadra street east; (16) On View street (north side), from Cook street east; (17) On Blanchard street (west side), between Chatham street and Discovery street; (18) On Cook street, between Pembroke street and Hillside avenue.

but in perfection of detail and in essential points the new structure is an excellent one. It is of brick, one story in height. Its dimensions are 56 1/2 feet, and it is divided into two apartments. The front apartment is for the pumping machinery, and the rear for the boiler.

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Several of the architects when interviewed by a Times representative, came out fortified with the statement that this year so far has seen more building than any of its predecessors for a long period.

The provincial government repairs and brick addition to the court house is quite a factor in the computation of the amount of expenditure during the past ten months in building circles.

Next year, it is predicted, will eclipse the present in building circles, and should this optimism be justified the stamp of discreditability undoubtedly will be placed upon the asseverations of the croakers who dogmatically endeavor to exploit the played-out theory that this city is not destined to take a leading position in the front rank of the municipalities of the coast.

Douglas street from Chatham to the north will be macadamized also, and it is entirely the intention to maintain the city streets in a condition which will silence all criticism.

Work was completed a few days ago in the construction of the new swing for the Rock Bay bridge. The opening commenced some time ago in building a temporary passage for traffic.

The new pumping station at North Dairy farm indicates that the city council is determined upon giving this city a water supply which for quantity will be above the criticism of those who have based a pet kick against the city on any deficiency in this important particular.

The schools have also received attention during the present year and many material improvements have been instituted during the summer months when the pupils were enjoying their vacation.

STREET IMPROVEMENTS.

Paving of Thoroughfares, Laying of Sidewalks, and Other Salient Details. The paving of Broad and Yates streets stands with the eradication of eyesores as the most striking improvement undertaken by the city council during the ten months past.

There need be no fear but that it will stand every strain brought to bear on it. The cost of the new swing was \$2,500.

When the machinery is installed in the new pumping station connection will be made with the 16-inch Cook street main. The conditions require that the Albion Iron Works, which has charge of the installation, shall bring the pipes four feet without the building, and the city will do the remainder.

The contract price being \$3,420. The work was prosecuted energetically under the superintendence of the building inspector, although at times the inclement weather seriously retarded progress.

The new station, in every day parlance, exactly "fills the bill." This is as it should be, as the people foot the ex-

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