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WORLD'S EXPOSITION AT SEATTLE

Alaska-Yukon-Pacific Exposition, - Most Beautiful World's Fair Ever Held, - Canada's Agricultural and Dairying Products To Be Displayed.

The government of Canada will have its building at the Alaska-Yukon-Pacific exposition completed and ready to receive exhibits by the latter part of April, thirty days in advance of the opening day. With the possible exception of the State of Washington, Canada will have the most complete display of agricultural products exhibited at the 1909 fair.

Recent advice received by the exposition management from the Canadian exhibition commissioner states that the work of collecting and assembling the exhibit of the government of Canada has been underway for several months and it will be the most elaborate and comprehensive display ever undertaken by the Canadian government at any exposition. In the exhibit particular attention is given to the agricultural resources of the country, and both British Columbia and Eastern Canada will be fully represented in the display.

In addition to the exhibit of the Canadian government the Canadian Pacific Railway will have a building and exhibit at the exposition.

As British Columbia is directly adjacent to the exposition the exhibit from this section of Canada will furnish the larger portion of the exhibit. The mineral resources of British Columbia will be fully exploited and there will be exhibits of every known mineral found in this section.

CANADA'S DAIRY AND LIVE STOCK DISPLAY.

Canada will also make a comprehensive display of its dairying and will be a strong contender in the exposition live stock show. The exposition management has appropriated \$100,000 for premiums in this department and blooded stock from all parts of the United States and Canada will be shown. Already a number of the best known breeders of Canada have made applications to enter stock. The live stock show opens September 27th and closes October 9th. This late date was arranged in order to allow two of the larger circuits to close in Seattle during the exposition.

The State of Oregon is the first section to ship exhibits to the fair. The Oregon building has been completed for nearly two months and already two car loads of choice apples have been stored in the cold storage plant in the basement of the building. Oregon will have a complete display of its agricultural and horticultural resources as will all of the states of the Pacific Coast.

The California state building is completed and California will commence the shipment of its exhibit early in February.

Every county in Washington will be represented with a special exhibit and many of the counties will have separate buildings. Already a number of the exhibits have been stored in Seattle awaiting the completion of the exhibit structures.

Alaska will make a complete display of its farming resources with the purpose of removing the impression that the northern country is merely a land of gold and ice. In the Alaska exhibit will be samples of oats, wheat, barley, rye, all kinds of vegetables and small fruits grown in the northland.

MOST BEAUTIFUL EXPOSITION EVER HELD.

Seattle, Feb. 1: "It will unquestionably be the most beautiful exposition ever held in the world and the remarkable progress you have made so far ahead of the opening date amazes me," said Charles Dana Gibson, the creator of the 'Gibson Girl,' after a trip over the grounds where the west is building the Alaska-Yukon-Pacific Exposition which will be held in Seattle from June 1st to October 16th, 1909.

Mr. Gibson stood at the head of the Cascade Court, the central decorative feature of the grounds. Straight in front of him, but eighty miles away, Mount Rainier, the highest

mountain peak in the United States, reared its head until a snow-covered crest was lost in the white, fleecy clouds that hovered around it. To his left the Cascades made a rugged outline against the sky and to his right the Olympics rose to majestic height from the shores of the Pacific Ocean. Away off to the north-west the Selkirk carried a sea of snow-capped peaks to the distant horizon. In the immediate foreground, through stately pine trees that have so far withstood the march of progress, Lake Washington glittered. It was a December morning but Mr. Gibson and Norman D. Hapgood, editor of Collier's Weekly, who was with him, wore in their button holes roses they had plucked as they strolled over the exposition grounds.

"I have made no particular hobby of expositions," continued Mr. Gibson, "but I have been to all those held in recent years and from what you have already here, combined with the lavish manner in which nature has done her share for you, I think I am safe in saying that this will be the most attractive one ever held. I had no intention when I left New York of coming to this country again for some years but I will be back here next June to see your fair. I wouldn't miss the completed picture for anything."

GOLD IN DUST, NUGGETS, BRICKS.

Seattle, Feb. 1: One million dollars in virgin gold that will sink automatically every night into a steel vault to reappear with the same precision in the morning will be the central feature of the Alaska exhibit at the Alaska-Yukon-Pacific Exposition next summer. Filed in glittering heaps of dust, nuggets and bricks, this brilliant display will be one of the greatest attractions on the exposition grounds. The gold pavilion, where its million dollars will be on display will be enclosed with a heavy wire cage and special guards will patrol the section night and day to protect the treasure.

The large steel vault, built in solid concrete, will operate automatically on a time lock. Each night at the closing hour the two tons of gold will disappear and the steel and concrete top will slide into place leaving nothing in view but the smooth surface of the floor. The time lock will be set for the opening hour in the morning when the treasure will reappear. The construction of this vault will cost \$4,000.

In the gold exhibits are three of the largest nuggets ever found in Alaska. They were taken from the famous Pioneer mine at home and the total value of the three is slightly in excess of \$7,000. It is proposed to have the largest of these three nuggets arranged so that visitors may pick it up and the big yellow lump will pass through thousands of hands during the exposition.

The Alaska fair commission has already secured the dust, nuggets and gold bricks for the display and it will be arranged in the gold pavilion of the Alaska building several days in advance of the opening of the exposition on June 1st. A portion of the gold is now in safety deposit vaults in Seattle.

Every claim and prospect in the four divisions of Alaska contributed not less than an ounce of gold to the display and theeward Peninsula, Tanana River, Copper River and south-eastern districts are all represented. In addition to the gold many of the mine owners of the Home and Fairbanks camps will also have samples of pay dirt, gravel, bed rock and black sand. The exhibit will be in excess of two tons of pure gold, just as it was washed from the ground in the north.

WIRELESS TELEGRAPHS AND TELEPHONES.

The wireless telephone will be demonstrated on the grounds of the

Public Works in Nova Scotia

Exclusive of the revotes the items for public buildings in Nova Scotia are as follows:—

- Amherst, public building, improvements, \$20,000.
- Glace Bay, public building, \$2,000.
- Halifax Dominion building, improvements, repairs, etc., \$75,000.
- New Glasgow, public building, improvements, \$1,600.
- Shelburne, public building, \$14,000.
- For harbors and rivers in Nova Scotia, the following are the new items:—
- Abercrombie Point, wharf, \$4,700.
- Annapolis Harbor, improvements, ice piers, \$15,000.
- Arisaig Harbor, repairs to wharf and breakwater, \$1,500.
- Cheverie, breakwater, extension of \$4,500.
- Cow Bay (Port Morien) Harbor improvements, \$5,000.
- Digby Harbor, improvements, \$30,000.
- Cribbings Point, wharf, part renewal of superstructure, \$3,300.
- Harbors, Rivers and Bridges, general repairs and improvements, \$30,000.
- Lower Jordan Bay, cutting channel through bar, \$2,000.
- Minasville, wharf, at Dalrymple Point, \$6,000.
- Port Hastings, wharf, \$4,000.
- Port Maitland, breakwater, \$2,000.
- Porttous Cove, breakwater, to complete payments to contractors \$2,000.
- Pugwash Harbor, to raise Government wharf, \$1,000.
- Quoddy Island, wharf, \$1,000.
- South Lake, Lakevale, \$6,500.
- Sydney Harbor, wharf on South Arm, near Whitney Pier, \$6,000.
- Wallace Bridge, wharf, \$1,000.
- Yarmouth Harbor, improvements \$60,000.

Alaska-Yukon-Pacific Exposition next year. On Klondike circle, near the main entrance will be built a rustic tower 100 feet in height at the base of which will be an exhibit hall for wireless apparatus invented to the date of the opening of the exhibition.

Wireless telephones will be installed on the grounds and daily demonstrations made by the United Wireless Company. A daily newspaper containing news received by wireless and messages from vessels at sea will be published at the fair. The wireless equipment will be installed on the top of a fifty foot pole to stand on the tower, giving the wireless station a height of 150 feet from the ground.

Near the top of this pole will be a series of tubes and as messages are being sent out from this station there will be a kaleidoscopic effect produced by the electricity passing through the varied colored globes.

At the present time the company has a station at Vancouver. B. C. where the wireless telephone is being perfected. The wireless 'phone was used to some extent on the warship during the cruise of the Atlantic feet to Seattle and experiments are now being made in New York.

Change of Timetable on the N. & S. W.

A change of timetable went into effect on the N. & S. W. railway on Monday. The train for Port Wade will leave Bridgetown on Mondays and Fridays at 12:03 and return at 15:05.

On Monday and Friday the train for Bridgewater leaves Middleton at 16:50, and on the other four days of the week at 13:30 (1:30), on the latter days connecting at Bridgewater with the train for Halifax.

The train from Bridgewater connects with the D. A. R. express going west only on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday, and the train for Bridgewater leaves Middleton after the arrival of the express from Yarmouth only on Monday and Friday.

Very frequently the money spent in circular letters would be much better invested in buying space in a good daily newspaper. Use the same letter and some fine illustrations, to show up the advantages or uses of the article. You will often find this a much better investment than circular letters.

Repeat it:—"Shiloh's Cure will always cure my coughs and colds."

The Meaning of Life

LETTER BY REV. STEPHEN A. NORTON TO THE MEMBERS OF THE FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH, WOBURN, MASSACHUSETTS.

(Published by request.)

My Dear People: The Year is dead, the New Year! May it be that I may even if it bring care and trial. For this passing of the year inevitably suggests something of the sadness there is in life. The very shortness of the year is sad—so little time for joy, for toil, for books and friends. Always we are leaving what is dear to us. How much we shall miss this year which has meant gladness in the past—how many who have given courage! We have met with loss; sickness has come; strength that once seemed limitless has faded; hopes that inspired the opening days of the year have grown dim as the year declined; homes have known the sadness of separation, and will know the loneliness of loss. In our joy as we say "A Happy New Year" there is an undertone of sorrow. We know that the new year will be like other years—a mingling of happiness and pain. It is not possible while offering felicitations to the young and strong and prosperous, while rejoicing in life's sunshine, to find also a voice of cheer concerning sorrow? Has not it a face of light?

Is it not true, at least, that some of the sweetest experiences of life are born of our limitations, and losses? When we know the meaning of love as when we realize the meaning of sorrow, somehow our hearts are uplifted, as if some angel had been lettered; it reveals the reality of friendship. Is it not true also that pain often means power—power not only to give sympathy, but power to bear and to do, power in self-knowledge and self-conquest? That Divine Man who lived among us "learned obedience by the things that He suffered." The richest, strongest souls of earth have confessed to the same schooling. Are not the faces of character often the faces of those who are acquainted with grief? We ask sometimes in bitterness of spirit, Why does God permit pain? It may be God cannot prevent pain in a world of moral training. But may it not be that God knows how to use rain for the larger and more blessed life of His children? Of one thing we may be sure since Jesus has been among us—God cares and sorrows with us. And there is no happiness like real fellowship with Him.

After all, the real meaning of life is in learning to live. Sorrow is a stern teacher, but she gives lessons of value. To learn to live patiently and hopefully and sweetly, whatever comes; to learn to know ourselves as God's children, always in His loving care; to learn to take up our duties cheerfully and to bear our burdens bravely and to sin amid the shadows; to learn to love, the fellowship of life as brothers and sisters of all who suffer, and so on, bringers of hope; to learn to make the years as they pass count in the development and discipline of character, in power to serve, and in growing acquaintance with God—this is to fulfil life's meaning, and to fill full the years with real joy, and to find them God's ministers of health and peace.

May we garner such wisdom in this year of grace, and so make it for ourselves and others a Happy New Year.

With loving regard,
Your friend and pastor,
STEPHEN A. NORTON.

TORNADOES IN THE SOUTH.

Death for probably a score of persons, losses of hundreds of thousands of dollars in property, and the crippling of many telegraph wires, resulted between noon and dusk from a series of small tornadoes which swept the south central states from the Tennessee line to the Texas panhandle on Friday. The storms were accompanied in most cases by hail darkness, terrific lightning flashes and sheets of rain. Most of the towns where losses of life occurred are off the railroads, so that news from them has been coming slowly.

Nova Scotia's New Mayors.

The annual civic elections in the incorporated towns in Nova Scotia took place on Feb. 2nd. The new mayors are the following:

- Amherst—T. P. Lowther.
- Annapolis—J. M. Owen.
- Antigonish—H. Stewart.
- Bridgetown—H. Rungis.
- Bridgewater—D. Stewart.
- Canso—E. C. Whitman.
- Dartmouth—Thomas Notting.
- Digby—Dr. J. E. Jones.
- Dominion—Mr. Mitchell.
- Glace Bay—J. C. Douglas.
- Haatsport—Fred Pentz.
- Inverness—D. H. McLeod.
- Kentville—Dr. H. B. Webster.
- Liverpool—D. C. Mulhall.
- Loxville—H. R. L. Bill.
- Louisburg—Mr. McAlpine.
- Lunenburg—A. R. Morash.
- New Glasgow—Arch McColl.
- North Sydney—F. L. Kelley.
- Oxford—A. S. Mackintosh.
- Parishboro—T. E. Henderson.
- Pictou—J. D. McLeod.
- Hawkesbury—Farquhar McInnis.
- Port Hood—C. Smythe.
- Shelburne—R. A. Bruce.
- Springhill—E. A. Potter.
- Sydney Mines—Mr. Stewart.
- Stewiack—Alfred Dickie.
- Turro—W. K. Murray.
- Westville—Dr. J. C. McDonald.
- Windsor—Frederick Curry.
- Wolfville—Mr. Harvey.
- Yarmouth—W. M. Kelly.

Oh, Tell Me!

(The following lines are by Mrs. Sarah A. Clark, of Revere, Mass., a daughter of the late Rev. Nathaniel B. Videto and sister of Miss Helen Videto, of this town. Mrs. Clark, who is 73 years of age, has been blind and deaf for the past 10 years and finds much pleasure in composition, dictation of course being necessary.)

Tell me, ye winds, and ye waves
That roll from shore to shore,
Do you know of any place
Where mortals weep no more?
Do ye know, ye warbling birds,
A spot that's free from care?
Where weary souls may be released
From burdens hard to bear?

Ye roaring winds and surging seas,
In wanderings to and fro,
Do you ever find a place
Where there's no want or woe?
Ye streams and rivers, in your flow
Through many a pleasant vale,
Do the breezes never bring
To you a woeful tale?

Ye noble trees that long have stood
In forests east and west,
Is there on this globe a place
That does not grieve and grieve?
Ye stately palms that proudly lift
Your fronded heads in air,
Do you look upon a land
That has no sorrow there?

Ye mossy glens and blooming flowers
That look so bright and gay,
Do you know of any place
Where happiness will stay?
Do you know a balm for grief?
For broken hearts a cure?
Is there a place where none are false,
Where friendship's always sure?

Do you know a resting place
Where, free from toil and pain,
We mortals will no longer weep
Or sigh for peace in vain?
But hope and faith, sweet comforters
Boons to mortals given,
Spread their bright wings and softly say,
"You'll find that place in heaven."

Dalhousie Telephone Line

On Monday evening, Feb. 1st, a public meeting was held at Dalhousie for the purpose of trying to get a telephone line from there to Bridgetown. The meeting was well attended and the people there are very enthusiastic about it and will put it through if possible.

PUBLIC SCHOOL AT SYDNEY BURNED.

Sydney, Feb. 4.—St. Joseph's public school at the corner of George street and Cottage Road was badly damaged by fire today.

NEW TOWN COUNCIL MEETS.

Appoints Town Officials, - Passes Resolutions re Street Improvements, Fire Alarm, Appointment New Stipendiary Magistrate, Naming Streets, etc.,

A meeting of the town council of the town of Bridgetown was held in the council chamber February 6th, 1909, at 7:30 p. m., with Mayor Ruggles in the chair and Councillors Dixon, Chute, Longmire, Freeman and DeWitt present.

The following resolution was unanimously passed, viz:—

Whereas John L. Cox, Esquire, the Stipendiary Magistrate appointed by the local government for the town at the time of our incorporation, is incapacitated by illness and has been so incapacitated for some months and is absent from the town and has been so absent for some months past and has abandoned his office;

And whereas the town of Bridgetown is now without a Stipendiary Magistrate as provided by Chapter 33 of the Revised Statutes, 1900;

Therefore resolved that this council apply to the Government and request them to forthwith appoint a Stipendiary Magistrate for the town of Bridgetown and that a copy of this resolution be given by the clerk to the Hon. O. T. Daniels, a member of the Government.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

Ordered: That the following be the standing committees, viz:—

Public Accounts, Finance and Tenders—Councillor Freeman, the Mayor and Councillor DeWitt.

Public Property, Roads, Streets and Lightings—Councillors Calder, Dixon, Longmire and DeWitt.

Police and Licenses—Councillors Chute, Freeman and Dixon.

Poor, Insane, Temperance and Public Health—Councillors Dixon, Freeman and Calder.

Water Works and Sewers—Councillors DeWitt, Longmire and Freeman.

Assessment Court of Appeal—Councillors Calder and Chute, and Mayor Ruggles.

Revisors of Jury Lists—Councillors Chute and DeWitt.

School Commissioners—Councillors Longmire and Freeman, and Mayor Ruggles.

Presiding Councillor—Councillor Longmire.

The following persons were appointed to the following offices, viz:—

Assessors—Abram Young and J. Harry Hicks.

Fire Wards—B. A. Crowe, Karl Freeman and Percy Burns.

Fire Constables—Joseph McLean, Karl Freeman and N. E. Chute.

Weighers and Measurers—Karl Freeman and Curtis B. Longmire.

Wood, Lumber and Log Surveyors—C. L. Piggott, Avard Beeler, Avard Anderson and J. W. Peters.

Fence Viewers—Samuel Pratt and Murray Chute.

Barrel Inspectors—O. S. Miller and J. W. Peters.

Pound Keepers—Major Slocumb and Murray Chute.

Health Officer—Dr. M. E. Armstrong.

Messrs. Horace Bishop, Loren Hall and J. W. Peters to be the Board of Fire Escapes for the town for the present year.

The report of Dr. M. E. Armstrong as health officer of the town for the past year was read by that official and adopted by resolution of the council unanimously.

Resolved that the Clerk forthwith notify each delinquent tax payer that unless his or her taxes are paid within two weeks from date of notice that warrants will be issued and placed in the hands of a constable for execution.

And further resolved that all other taxes where persons have left the town be collected where possible and that the Clerk carry out this resolution to the letter.

Resolved that the bondsmen of E. A. Craig, tax collector, be notified that the council hold them liable for the uncollected taxes.

Resolved that the street committee get all the information they can concerning the repair of the streets and report to the council at its next meeting with a view to calling a meeting of the ratepayers to take action upon the matter.

Resolved that the street committee get estimates of the cost of sidewalks to be up on each street with the name of the street painted on each side.

Resolved that the town council install a fire alarm either by engine wheel tire or by bell and that Councillors Freeman, DeWitt and Chute be a committee to take charge of the matter.

Council adjourned to February 27th next at 7:30 p. m.

Minutes read and approved.

700 Moose Killed in Nova Scotia in 1908

(Halifax Herald.) During the season of 1908 (October 1st to December 1st), the number of moose legally killed in Nova Scotia was 590, of which Halifax had the largest share of any county, 151. It is felt that the total number killed in the province during 1908 was near 700, as it is believed that at least 50 or 60 were destroyed illegally. The point now is, can the moose in Nova Scotia multiply at the rate of 700 per year or more? If at 700, the situation remains as it is, while if more it will be improved. But if the increase is less than 700 per year, the end of the moose in Nova Scotia would seem to be pretty nearly in sight. Here is a table of the legally killed the past season, with the sex so far as known and the counties:—

	Bulls	Cows	Sex Given	No. Sex
Annapolis	52	48	6	
Colchester	11	14	4	
Cumberland	12	4	5	
Digby	20	21	1	
Guysboro	35	22	4	
Hants	6	10	61	
Halifax	72	62	17	
Kings	8	7	...	
Lunenburg	6	5	1	
Pictou	6	5	1	
Queens	23	12	7	
Shelburne	18	10	2	
Yarmouth	26	20	1	
	200	240	50	