

McIntyre, on D. L. 2169; Mr. Arthur, on D. L. 2002; W. F. Emery, on D. L. 2003; J. M. Duval, on D. L. 2350; C. H. Nye (obit. 1915), on D. L. 2008. Later on, after the Boer War, land grants were given those veterans who participated in it from British Columbia. Among those who settled in Lynn Valley were J. Y. McNaught, on D. L. 2004, and A. J. Nye, on D. L. 2025.

To proceed to Lynn Valley from Vancouver in those days, one had to board the S.S. Senator, which sailed on a triangular course between Vancouver, Moodyville and Lonsdale Avenue—spasmodically!—disembark at Moodyville, and proceed by plank road (the commencement of a famous Lillooet trail) until a puncheon skid road is reached running transversely across the trail; following this puncheon skid road, going north through a most delightful and picturesque avenue of giant trees and luxuriant undergrowth, we arrive at the residences of Mr. J. M. Fromme and T. A. Allan, and the then centre of civilization; a most attractive spot; the Hastings Creek flowing merrily at the foot of a slope, and nearby a pretty though heavily constructed bridge spans the stream. A wealth of stately timber encompassed the homesteads.

The settlement grew in size as the men brought in their families, and among them were the Westover's, Maginnis's, McIntyre's, Spurr's, Hyde's and Stoney families. As there were about 20 children in the locality, the question of educating them arose, and an application was made to the government for a teacher. Meanwhile a "school house" was erected by voluntary subscriptions among the residents and the employees of the Hastings Shingle and Manufacturing Company—the substantial sum of \$250 was raised, a big sum for such a small community in those days, but the heart of the lumberman is large!

The government granted their application, and Miss Margaret Whitely became the first schoolmistress on May 20, 1904, when the little school opened its doors to 17 children, that they may read, mark, learn, etc. Mr. Spurr's became first secretary of the school board. After a few years elapsed, the school closed down for four months, owing to the lack of pupils, and in the meantime Miss Whitely had taken another appointment at Mount Lehman. The school re-opened again under the tutorship of Miss Rolston, who taught about 10 pupils, but increasing later on. Mr. Buckley succeeded Miss Rolston and carried on until a new school house was built, and the "Old School" building was transferred to the trustees of the newly formed "Lynn Valley Institute."

### THE LYNN VALLEY INSTITUTE.

The following is an epitomized account of the transactions pertaining to the old and new institute halls. Only the most important and authentic details appear, but sufficiently compatible with its history.

There have been omissions which should have been recorded in the books of the Institute, but, thanks to the memory of the old pioneers, this has been rectified as far as possible.

On October 8th, 1908, a public meeting was held in the "Old School," Lynn Valley, to discuss the formation of a society. A resolution was put forward by Mr. J. Y. McNaught, and seconded by Mr. W. Davidson, that "We, the residents of Lynn Valley, form a society for the mutual improvement, mental, physical and moral, of the inhabitants of this valley, the name to be designated at a future meeting." Temporary trustees were appointed to take