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## LOCAL FIRM WILL EMPLOY WHITE LABOR IN THE FUTURE

Sidney Island Brick and Tile Company Resume Operation  
After Repairs to Plant Have Been Completed--In the  
Future No More Chinamen Will Be Employed

The big plant of the Sidney Island Brick and Tile Company situated on Sidney Island about two miles east of the town, is once more in full operation after closing down for about a month in order to make a number of necessary repairs that could not be accomplished while the plant was in operation.

Mr. Mitchell, the local manager, has been a very busy man during the past two or three weeks getting things in shape for the opening, and while in conversation with a representative of the Review this week gave out the statement that in future his firm would employ only white labor and Orientals would be entirely excluded. This decision, said Mr. Mitchell, has been arrived at after a thorough investigation of both classes of labor and his firm had found out that it was to their advantage to employ white labor only in the future.

Between fifty and sixty men are now at work in the yards of the company and with the large number of orders already on hand the firm looks

forward to a busy, prosperous year.

Mr. Carl Adams, one of the directors of the company, and well known in Sidney, is contemplating taking up his residence in Sidney in order that he may be in closer touch with the workings at the plant. It is also quite probable that a better ferry service will be established between the island and the town of Sidney as the growing needs of this progressive firm demand it, and in that event it is not unlikely that quite a number of the employees would much prefer to have their homes in Sidney in order that their children might attend the public schools.

The Review congratulates the Sidney Island Brick and Tile Company on the stand they have taken on the labor question, and their decision will no doubt be received with a good deal of satisfaction by all residents of Sidney who have the interests of the town at heart. It is also to be hoped that the other industries located here will follow the lead of this progressive firm in employing exclusively white labor.

## BOYS WILL WEAR THE HOBBLE SKIRT IN GAME

Young Ladies Issue Challenge But  
Impose One Restriction on  
the Gentlemen.

The Young Ladies Basketball Club have come out defiantly and told the boys right forinst their face that they can beat them playing basketball. The challenge was issued on Tuesday of this week in letters of flaming red so that all that run might read, and after pursuing the first few lines, looked at one another and grinned a broad grin, but the grinning faces turned to a gasty pallor when their eyes lighted upon one ominous sentence in that deadly challenge. And this is what they read: "We only impose one restriction, and we are sure the gentlemen playing on the team that evening will not object, they must attire themselves in hobble skirts." That was all but that one little sentence caused an awful commotion in the camp of the gallants. "Not on your whiskers," declared Lanky Ernie. "Just imagine me appearing before an audience in a thing like that," says Albert of grocery fame. "Oh, what would my ma say if she were present," wailed Annie the woodcutter. "I won't--" "Stop right there," yelled the captain in a firm voice that trembled with fear or emotion. "We are not cowards, we still have some good red blood in our veins and we will play that game." He therefore sent forth the decree that the five members of the Boys Basketball Club mentioned below should put in an appearance at

the Pavilion on the evening of Tuesday, February 24th, at 8 p.m.

"Boys," he said in parting, "the enemy is camped on our trail. We can but do and die, for conquer us they surely will with their merry ha! ha! and sundry other feminine exclamations."

The young ladies are anxious to raise funds to help their club along and have decided upon this means of doing so. Of course they are well aware that the laugh will be on the boys, but a good hearty laugh is as good as a meal any day, and the boys won't mind. A cordial invitation is issued to the general public and as the admission is put at a very nominal figure, twenty-five cents for adults and ten cents for children, it should not debar anyone and the hall should be packed on the evening in question. Remember what a splendid entertainment the young ladies gave some time back. It will be just as good this time.

The game will take place in the old pavilion belonging to the V. & S. Railway, on Tuesday evening next.

The young ladies will be represented by Misses M. F. Glenn, M. Simister, E. Griffin, G. A. Bowman and M. Brethour.

The agony will be endured on the opposing team by Messrs. E. Munro, J. Gehrke, A. E. Bishop, A. Gehrke and M. Norton.

A man arrested last week across the border was found to be wearing eleven pair of socks. Talk about the modern criminal having cold feet.

The forty million dollars which is said to have been needlessly spent in building the National Transcontinental would have gone a long way toward putting Canada's harbors in permanently good shape.

## MEETS WITH ACCIDENT AT CUSHION COVE MILL

Employee Sustains Severe Injuries  
While at His Work Early on  
Wednesday Morning.

A severe, and what may prove a fatal accident happened to a young Japanese in the employ of the Cushion Cove Lumber Company while he was at work in the mill early Wednesday morning. In company with the foreman he went to an upper story of the building to do some work there. After showing him what was required the foreman again went below. In a few minutes he was startled by screams from above. Running hastily to the engine room he shut off the power and made his way with all speed to the room in which he had left the Jap at work. In some manner the unfortunate man's pant leg had become entangled in a revolving shaft and he was found lying in an unconscious condition with his leg wound round and round the shaft. He was taken below and a doctor sent for to Ganges Harbor, a distance of eight or ten miles. On his arrival the doctor made an examination and found the leg so badly fractured that he immediately ordered the man taken to the Victoria hospital. A launch was procured and with all speed brought the patient to Sidney where he was transferred to a waiting automobile and rushed to the city.

This is the second accident that has happened to employees of this mill during the past few months.

## MASQUERADE DANCE ON EVENING OF FEBRUARY 26

Over Fifty Dollars of Prizes  
Will Be Presented to the  
Winning Couples.

The people of Saanichton, our sister town, are to be congratulated on the fact that they have situated there the finest dance hall on the Saanich Peninsula in the splendid large building that does duty once a year as an agricultural hall.

During the past winter Mr. F. M. Humber has put on a series of most enjoyable and successful dances in this hall which have been particularly well attended. He announced a short time ago that it was his intention to give a grand masquerade dance in the near future and he has now selected Thursday evening, February 26, as the date for this big event. Bantley's orchestra, of Victoria will again be in attendance, and no doubt the usual large crowd will be there.

Eight handsome prizes will be awarded by the judges during the course of the evening as follows:

Best Dressed Couple.  
Couple representing stock in trade.  
Couple dressed in most original costumes.

Best sustained characters.  
Special trains have been arranged for and the supper accommodation will be on an entirely new plan.

Hair, say those who profess to know, grows faster in summer than in winter. Now where should all the barbers go to when they die?

## LIBERAL ASSOCIATION ELECTS DELEGATES TO CONVENTION

Resolutions Presented by Mr. Argyle  
Are Not Received With Very  
Much Enthusiasm.

There were about thirty members present at the meeting of the North Saanich Liberal Association held in Berquist's hall last Wednesday evening. Mr. Edwin Blackburn, the president, occupied the chair.

The most important business transacted was the election of delegates to attend the Liberal convention which will convene on the 25th inst., at Victoria. The following were elected: A. Munro, C. Moses, A. McDonnald and Fred Humber. Alternates: E. Blackburn, W. Argyle, J. Sears, and C. D. Brethour.

Mr. Argyle presented a couple of resolutions, one on woman's suffrage and the other on the Nanaimo mines strike. None of the delegates seemed anxious to present them at the convention and Mr. Argyle will not have an opportunity unless some of the delegates elected are unable to attend.

## MUST DRESS IN RURAL COSTUME THAT EVENING

Overalls For the Gentlemen While the  
Ladies Will Wear the Milk  
Maid's Costume.

The entertainment to be given next Thursday evening by the Sidney Social Club will be of a rather unique character, as orders have gone forth that the gentlemen must appear in rural costume, overalls, straw hats and whiskers. The ladies are also under the ban and to be properly dressed for the occasion they must appear in the regulation milk maid's costume or any old dress that they may have, but they must not come in the ordinary evening dress used on such occasions.

The supper also will be such as is commonly found on a farmer's table, and the Review would like to suggest that ham and eggs form part of it. The early part of the evening will be devoted to the staging of two or three short tableaux and the singing of several songs, after which the old fashioned dances will be enjoyed.

## SCHOOL CHILDREN WIN PRIZES IN COMPETITION

Pacific Great Eastern Competition  
Results in Indian Title for  
Newport Townsite.

"Squamish" will be the new name of the terminus of the Pacific Great Eastern Railway Company, if approved by the Geographic Board of Canada. As a result of the desire of the railway company to change the name of the place at the head of Howe Sound, now known as Newport, a competition was held among the school children of the Province and a prize of \$500 offered to the one who should select a name that would be accepted by the company. A list of over thirty three thousand names were sent in by two thousand two hundred and twenty-six competitors and submitted to Mr. W. F. Robertson, who in collaboration with Mr. G. G. Aitkin, the Provincial Geographer, made a selection of twelve, which were in turn cabled to Mr. D'Arcy Tate, the vice-president of the railway company for the final adjudication. Mr. Tate has signified his preference for "Squamish," the Indian name of that locality and of the river emptying into Howe Sound at that point. As Mr. W. F. Robertson is a representative of the Geographic Board of Canada, his recommendation in the matter will in every probability be accepted and Newport will in future be known as "Squamish."

The name which was adjudged the winner was suggested by twenty-eight of the school children who participated in the competition. As a result each of these will receive a share of the \$500 prize, amounting to \$17.86. The names of the successful competitors are: Lillith Grace Bissett, William Benze, Frances Whillans D. B. McKenzie, Maxwell G. Sipes, Adrian C. Thrupp, Alden S. Curtis, Florence K. Mackay, Maud Moore, Aileen Stewart, Geo. C. Cross, Ruth E. Smith, John Bruce Downie, Kathleen McKinnon, Bernard D. Pratt, Stanley Trimble, Alma Lottie Wood, Lillian Bennett, J. Kitchener McDonnald Bell, Norma Cordingley, Kenneth Cates, Daisy Harris, Hugh Hutchinson, Florence E. Johnson, J. W. Sheaves, Muriel M. Whitaker, May Duthie.

Who says Basketball. Are you on?



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