

STEVENS FARM TO BE SUB-DIVIDED

Choice Acreage Coming on Market-- Begbie Residence Sold-- Fifty More Acres Gone at Cadboro Bay

(From Saturday's Daily.) A notable feature of the real estate situation in the city of the present time is the fact that some of the shrewdest dealers and buyers have practically ceased to trade here, but are leading up with all the realty they can obtain preparatory to the big movement, which is confidently anticipated in the fall.

hands till about a week ago when it was acquired by Major Macmillan, of the N. W. M. P., for a sum in the neighborhood of \$25,000. The house is now in the hands of the contractors being repaired, and it is the intention of the major to divide the property, which is rather large for his needs, into two lots, one of which he has sold to another friend from the Northwest who has the second acre on which to build a home.

The other class are prairie people, but not the kind who were here in the winter. The latter were, in the main, speculators, who foresaw the movement which is now on, and prepared to profit by it, by snapping up all the available property which could be acquired at a reasonable figure.

At hardly a single period since the present movement in realty started has there been sufficient acreage to meet the demand. This is due in a large measure, not only to the comparatively limited acre contiguous to the city, but as well to the fact that the largest and choicest blocks are held by people like the Hudson's Bay Company, and other big owners, who were reluctant to subdivide their farms.

To those who know the situation and have found it difficult to obtain acreage at a reasonable figure, it will be welcome tidings that the Stevens farm, just beyond the Royal Oak, is to be placed on the market within a few days by the firm of Swinerton & Oddy, who helped to relieve the situation earlier in the year by cutting up the Tomlin farm. The Stevens farm is one of the loveliest in the neighborhood of Victoria, being situated at the forks of the West Saanich and Prospect lake roads, and half a mile from the railway.

There are about five hundred acres in the sub-division, and the owners are driving roads through the land and preparing to sell it off in ten-acre strips. It embraces not only fruit land, but timber areas, and about twenty acres of the richest beaver meadow bottom in the whole peninsula.

One of the most interesting transfers of real estate within the last few days has been that of the old homestead of Sir Matthew Begbie on Cook street. This magnificent property consists of two acres and commands a splendid view of the Straits past Clover Point.

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CHAMPIONS OF THE PROVINCE. The above is a photo of the Girls' Hockey Team of Victoria College, who won the Tompness Stationery Co.'s cup from the Vancouver College in the recent athletic contest, thus becoming intercollegiate champions of the province. The girls have played a number of local teams, and have several times defeated the ladies of the city. They hold the unique record of having never been beaten. The following are the names of the players: From left to right: First row: Miss Margery Carma, Miss Floesie Spencer (president), Miss Jean Vincent. Second row: Miss Connie Fisher, Miss Olive Grant, Miss Maggie Sommerville (captain), Miss Cecelia Green, Miss Kate Moore. Third row: Miss Daisy Bains, Miss Irene Nason, Miss Ada Schwengers, Miss Norma Hall.

The marriage of Mr. E. O. S. Schofield, librarian of the provincial legislature, Victoria, and Miss Lillian May, daughter of Mr. G. E. Carbound, of Toronto, Westminister, was celebrated in St. Barnabas church, Westminister, on the 17th inst. The Rev. C. W. Houghton conducted the ceremony. The church was handsomely decorated and present were about a hundred friends and relations who showered good wishes on the happy pair as they left for a somewhat extended trip to the Eastern States before returning to their future home in Victoria. The bride was attended by two maids of honor and supported by four bridesmaids. The maids of honor were Miss Alma Carbound and Miss Vivian Schofield, sister of the groom, while the bridesmaids were Miss Schalley Wright, step-sister of the bride, and the Misses Grace, Clair and Vera Carbound, sisters of the bride.

The machinery for the rice mill is standing as it was when work was discontinued some years since, and next fall, as soon as the season's wheat can be obtained from the prairies, it will be started and continued in operation night and day. It is the policy of flour millers to keep their machinery continually in motion, and hence there will be no cessation of work from Monday mornings until Saturday night.

At present the sheds on the wharf will accommodate the grain preparatory to its being ground, but it is anticipated that before long elevators will be erected to economically handle the wheat and Victoria will have at least one of the structures which mark the landscape from Winnipeg to Medicine Hat, and which bespeak the fertility of Canada's plains.

The necessity of the Empress hotel opening at the earliest possible date was borne home on William Whyte, second vice-president of the C. P. R., and general manager of lines west of Winnipeg, by H. Cuthbert, secretary of the tourist association, yesterday. That the coming season would be a record one for tourist traffic, Mr. Whyte already believed, but the evidence which Mr. Cuthbert was able to adduce more than convinced him. He promised that the opening of the new hotel would take place as soon as consistent. He thought this would be about July 1st.

Mr. Whyte expects to return to Vancouver, thence to Winnipeg, to-morrow. PORT TOWNSEND NOTES. Port Townsend, April 20--Billie Chilton, a prominent resident, jumped from a second story window in the Reception hotel to-day while delirious. He is suffering from concussion of the brain and paralysis and may die.

A sailor, Lagereo Pellerio, belonging to the Italian ship Regina Elmo, fell from the rigging this morning and struck the vessel's railing, cutting the side of his face almost off. He may recover.

Seattle, April 20--A dispatch from Juneau, Alaska, says that the strike at the great Treadwell mine has been settled on the open shop basis.

WILL TOUR CONTINENT. Dr. Theodore Barth, Member of German Reichstag, Will Visit States and Canada. Berlin, April 20--Dr. Theodore Barth, leader of one of the Radical parties in the German Reichstag, has started for New York and Washington. From the latter city he will go west and later visit Canada. It is Dr. Barth's intention to make a study of the most recent developments of American politics and social life, with the special reference to the relations of the great capitalists and politics. He will also study the immigration problem, inquiring how far the United States is succeeding in absorbing European immigrants.

OTTAWA REUNION. Natives of the Capital Will Gather There Next July. New York, April 20--Natives of Ottawa, Canada, all over the country are receiving letters from the committee which has in charge an old boys' and girls' reunion in the Dominion capital next July. This reunion will be a great feature of the centennial jubilee.

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DESTROYER LOST. Collided With Breakwater During Manoeuvres--One Man Drowned. Valetta, Island of Malta, April 20--While manoeuvring during a night attack outside the grand harbor late yesterday, the British torpedo boat destroyer Ariel collided with the breakwater and sank. One man was drowned. The Ariel lies in deep water, and it is expected that she will be a total loss.

TO ASSIST HER SON. Mrs. Thaw Will Sell Property to Provide Bail for Slayer of Stanford White. New York, April 20--A dispatch from Pittsburgh says: "When Mrs. William Thaw reached here last night she found that her son, Stanford White, had collapsed, and physicians were summoned. With her in her daughter, the Countess of Fernmount. This is the first time the Countess has been in Pittsburgh since she left here immediately after her wedding four years ago. In anticipation of the arrival of Mrs. Thaw, a representative of the family yesterday requested Superintendent of Police McQuaid to detail men to guard the Thaw residence and keep away crowds."

THE IMMORTAL EAST--CREMATION OF HINDU AT TODD'S INLET. The cremation of a Hindu at Todd's Inlet, Alaska, was a notable event. The body was cremated on a large pile of logs, and the flames were visible for miles around.

SAN FRANCISCO'S SHAMEFUL STORY. REVELATIONS MADE BY CAPTAIN OF POLICE. Says Criminals in Bay City Have Been Aided by Members of Department. San Francisco, April 20--Before the grand jury this afternoon Capt. of Police John Mooney is disclosing details of police department graft more hideous than anything yet disclosed since the Reuf-Schmitz investigation started. Mooney charges that from patrolmen to chief and even police judges, certain forms of criminality have been aided.

He says San Francisco millionaires stood between him and his duty. He says he raided certain disorderly resorts only to find the women set free next day by the influence of some wealthy man who did not even ask the police judge to take such action. President Roosevelt has requested that the graft cases be given the right of way in the federal courts.

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