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NOTICE

IN THE MATTER OF THE Estate of JAMES McDONALD, deceased. Pursuant to the order of the Hon. Chief Justice Sifton, dated the 20th day of October, 1908, notice is hereby given that all creditors and others having claims against the estate of said James McDonald, deceased, who died on or about the 23rd day of January, 1908, are required on or before the first day of December, 1908, to send by post prepaid, or to deliver to Boyle & Farley, of Edmonton aforesaid, solicitors for the executors herein, their names, addresses and descriptions, and a full statement of the nature of their claims and the nature of the security (if any) held by them, duly verified by statutory declaration; and that after said mentioned date the executors will proceed to distribute the assets of the said estate, having regard only to the claims of which they shall then have notice.

Dated at Edmonton, this 20th day of October, 1908. BOYLE & FARLEY, Solicitors for the above-named Executors.

LIQUOR LICENSES ACT, 1900.

NOTICE is hereby given that thirty days after date I intend to apply to Superintendent of Liquor for a license to sell intoxicating liquor on the premises known as the San Juan Hotel situated at Fort Renfrew.

J. W. WILLIAMS, Fort Renfrew, B.C., Nov. 28th, 1908.

HUGE DEAL IN COAL MEASURES

Queen Charlotte Island Areas Secured by a Wealthy Syndicate

VICTORIANS ARE BENEFITED

Lands Were Held By Group of Local Men—The Negotiations—Collapse

Financed by a well known New York multi-millionaire and English capitalists, a company is being formed with a very large capitalization, probably from \$5,000,000 to \$10,000,000, to take over the 27,000 acres of coal lands on Graham Island acquired from the local syndicate by the firm of Traskell, Butler and Gray, Hamilton, Donald and Johnson, of this city, who with some other strong eastern men interested the capitalists who have given such a liberal amount of backing to the big corporation formed for the immediate and extensive development of the big coal property. Work will be commenced at once. An application is now before the legislature for a charter for a line of railway between Skidegate and Rennell sound to open up the mining district, and to expect that before the City of Prince Rupert has become anything like the large customer the new northern city will be the bankers of this corporation will be calling there. Probably a fleet of colliers will be required for the local company, which has held the coal property since 1885 when a company was formed, including William Wilson, C. E. Todd, Capt. John Robert Tennant, Major Nicholas, T. G. Gore, Dr. G. L. Milne, W. A. Robertson and others, who secured a large tract of the second one to be made, a few days ago, and in all will receive a sum in the five figures for the property.

The Discovery

The big coal deposit which is to be developed on such a large scale greatly augmenting the mining industry of the province of British Columbia, was discovered in 1885 when W. A. Robertson of this city, while making an exploration on behalf of the provincial government in connection with the timber resources, ascended the Yakoun river to the lake at its head, and crossed the island to the harbor of Skidegate at the mouth of the Honna river, finding the coal while on this trip. He was examining some strata on the east of the Yakoun river when he observed pieces of bituminous coal of excellent quality, and on tracing these to their source, he discovered a large seam, which was afterwards opened up by a company formed in Victoria. It was known as the "Wilson seam." Further exploration showed drift coal to the east branch of the Yakoun river, which was traced another large and valuable coal deposit was found about three miles east of Yakoun lake and some eight miles from where the Honna river debouches into the Skidegate. This outcrop was named after the discoverer, being called the "Robertson seam." Several mining engineers who visited the locality at different times in the interest of the owners.

After Mr. Robertson returned from his trip and told of his coal find he had no difficulty in interesting a number of Victorians in the enterprise, and after some experiments had demonstrated the richness of the bituminous coal about 35,000 acres was secured by the local syndicate from the government in full simple. Queen Charlotte Islands was then regarded as a place remote—in fact until the mining boom was started on the east coast two years ago, companies were very irregular. The northern islands being regarded as almost outside the boundaries of civilization, at the time the syndicate was formed and the coal lands acquired, this militated against the development of the field. With the object of proving the property, however, the local syndicate sent experts to Graham Island, and under their direction, several tunnels were sunk and tunnels made into the coal. It was not until after the visit of Dr. R. W. Ellis, of the Dominion Geological Survey, who was sent in 1895 to Graham Island by the Dominion government, when he expressed the opinion that several large quantities of coal and timber lands required a good deal of capital to purchase and develop. It doubtless prevented any hasty action on the part of would-be investors. One or two local men, however, had very strong faith in the possibilities of coal in the northern coast, and Messrs. P. D. Hillis, E. M. Traskell, L. L. Butler and Z. M. Hamilton, all residents of this city, took the matter under consideration, and considered ways and means of acquiring and developing the property. A careful examination was made and it was proven by the experts sent north that the field was a very rich one. Then arrangements were made to interest capital. The New York millionaire was the first to be interested. Other capitalists were also interested, and now all the financial assistance required for the development on an immense scale of the property has been secured from the local syndicate is forthcoming.

E. Hodgson, one of the directors of the Pacific Coal company, was certainly the best on the Pacific coast. The region in which the coal exists is almost entirely uniform in formation, and although there are evidences of volcanic action at the seashore near Skidegate it is obvious that little or no disturbance has been caused in the coal deposits. The coal is certainly the best on the Pacific coast. The region in which the coal exists is almost entirely uniform in formation, and although there are evidences of volcanic action at the seashore near Skidegate it is obvious that little or no disturbance has been caused in the coal deposits. The coal is certainly the best on the Pacific coast.

Canary Islands Shaken

Tenerife, Canary Islands, Jan. 5.—An earthquake lasting twelve seconds was felt here today. It overturned furniture and set bells to ringing in the houses. The people rushed into the streets in a state of alarm, but no damage was done.

TYPHOID TRODS A NEW DANGER

Disease Threatens Survivors in Italian Earthquake District

SUFFERING OF REFUGEES

Many Shocks Felt Yesterday at Reggio—Broken Walls Collapse

Rome, Jan. 5.—The report from Messina that typhoid has broken out here has caused the authorities with alarm. It is realized that unless proper sanitary precautions are taken at once, the disease may spread far outside the ruined district.

King Victor Emmanuel received today Ambassador Grisoni, who presented him a country opened up by the state department of the American committee. The king is laden with provisions and medical supplies and is ready to proceed to the Straits of Messina. The king was greatly pleased, and said the Americans were always ready to help.

Thirteen thousand refugees have arrived at Naples, of whom 6,000 are injured. They are receiving the best of care, but many have died of their injuries and others have gone mad. The United States is carrying supplies, principally sterilized milk, for distribution at Messina, under the direction of the American committee.

The American vice-consul, Stuart Lupton, in answer to inquiries made by the state department at Washington, Ellis, if it was considered desirable to place shallow draft steamers in service to carry coal from the coal fields on Graham Island to the coast.

The latest news from Reggio shows that earthquakes occurred today, the shaking being about 20 minutes apart. One of the heavy shocks caused the collapse of a number of broken walls, and added to the terror of the survivors who are remaining there.

Consolidated Gas is Weak.

New York, Jan. 5.—Consolidated Gas shares were another session of decline on the stock market today. The stock opened at 138 to 140, as compared with yesterday's close of 141. It moved slightly downward during the early session of the market, but this afternoon, on persistent liquidation, sold as low as 128 1/2. Free price the stock rallied freely.

Allowance for Mrs. Spreckels

San Francisco, Jan. 5.—A monthly allowance of \$4,000 was granted to Mrs. Anna Christina Spreckels, widow of the late Claus Spreckels, by Judge Coffey of the probate court today. The allowance is to continue pending the probate of the will. The petition was signed by Mrs. Spreckels and her son, Rudolph, administrator under the will. The annual value of the estate is given at \$35,000.

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Peas, per lb.	.05 to .15
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Butter, per lb.	.15 to .20
Eggs, per dozen	1.00 to 1.25
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Wheat, per bushel	1.00 to 1.25
Oats, per bushel	.75 to .90
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RIOTS IN INDIA

Mohammedans and Hindus Fight Over Matters of Religion—Britain and the Sultan

Calcutta, Jan. 5.—The religious riots between Mohammedans and Hindus have taken a more serious turn again, the rioting having become more and more frequent. Today at Titagarh, the troops were compelled to fire upon the Hindu mob.

The Hindus had resumed the attacks of two previous days on the mosque at Titagarh, because the Mohammedans had sacrificed cows. The Hindus destroyed the sacred furniture in the mosque and partially demolished the walls. Inflamed Mohammedans gathered in defence of the mosque, and were surrounded by a military cordon, which formed a barrier between the Hindus and the Mohammedans and the Hindus who assaulted the military in an endeavor to come to close quarters with the Mohammedans. The troops fired upon the zealots, killing and wounding several of them. Isolated combats between Hindus and Mohammedans are taking place throughout the disturbed district. Mohammedans from more remote quarters are making their way to Titagarh to revenge the insult to their faith.

THE HARRIMAN ROAD CONFERENCE.

Salt Lake City, Jan. 5.—The annual conference of the Harriman Road Conference and the Oregon Navigation Company and the Oregon Short Line is being held in this city today.

ALLIAGED JURY BRIBER.

San Francisco, Jan. 5.—The trial of Adolph Newburgh, a former attorney of Alameda County, who was indicted several months ago on a charge of attempting to bribe John A. Kelley, a prospective juror in the Buell trial, was commenced today in Judge Murphy's department of the superior court. The examination of talesmen occupied the entire session.

TRANSPORT WALL LOADED

San Francisco, Jan. 5.—The army transport Thomas sailed for Honolulu today, and the largest number of army officers transported across the Pacific since the Spanish-American war. The transport is loaded with 161 men of the fifth cavalry, will leave the Thomas at Honolulu to take station at the military post at Honolulu. The freighter Virginia, which also started today, will transport to Honolulu 100 horses for use of the fifth cavalry.

THE TIDE TABLE

Victoria, B. C., January, 1909.

Date	Time High	Time Low	Time High	Time Low
1	10:12	1:12	1:12	4:12
2	10:02	1:02	1:02	4:02
3	9:52	0:52	0:52	3:52
4	9:42	0:42	0:42	3:42
5	9:32	0:32	0:32	3:32
6	9:22	0:22	0:22	3:22
7	9:12	0:12	0:12	3:12
8	9:02	0:02	0:02	3:02
9	8:52	0:52	0:52	2:52
10	8:42	0:42	0:42	2:42
11	8:32	0:32	0:32	2:32
12	8:22	0:22	0:22	2:22
13	8:12	0:12	0:12	2:12
14	8:02	0:02	0:02	2:02
15	7:52	0:52	0:52	1:52
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23	6:32	0:32	0:32	0:32
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