

Farmers' Institutes

Programme of Meetings to Be Held Throughout the Province.

A List of the Speaker-Transportation Favors Received.

The programme for the regular meetings of Farmers' Institutes has been arranged by the superintendent, Mr. J. R. Anderson, for the whole province, with the exception of Matsqui, Langley, Surrey and Delta institutes, which are in the course of arrangement. The following is the programme as far as it is settled:

Gabriola Island, Monday, 27th Nov., to be addressed by Mr. W. Washington, Chief, Friday, 1st Dec., Prof. H. B. Miller, president Oregon State Board of Horticulture, and Prof. D. A. Brodie, superintendent Puget Sound Experiment station, Washington.

Duncan, Saturday, 2nd Dec. Same speakers. Meedonia, Monday, 4th Dec. Same speakers. Victoria, Tuesday, 5th Dec. Same speakers. Salt Spring Island, Tuesday, 5th Dec. Mr. Tom Wilson, member Board of Horticulture, Vancouver, and another speaker.

Central Park, Monday, 4th Dec. Mr. John Stewart, secretary Nanaimo and Cedar Farmers' Institute, and Rev. G. W. Taylor, Nanaimo. Port Haney, Tuesday, 5th Dec. (morning). Same speakers. Mission, Tuesday, 5th Dec. (afternoon). Same speakers. Richmond, Wednesday, 6th Dec. Same speakers.

Salmon Arm, Wednesday, 13th Dec. Mr. Johnson Gibbins, M. R. C. V. S., inspector diseases of animals, Vancouver, and Mr. R. M. Palmer, Victoria. Armstrong, Friday, 15th Dec. Same speakers.

Kelowna, Monday, 18th Dec. Same speakers. It is to be hoped that all members of the institutes, and the public generally, will show their appreciation of the speakers, some of whom it will be observed come from the neighboring States, and all of whom are well qualified to deal with the subjects assigned to them, by attending the meetings.

In addition to the gentlemen named, Mr. Miller-Freeman, secretary of the Washington State Dairyman's Association, and editor of Ranche and Range, has signified his intention of attending the meetings, the object of writing up to the province.

The Canadian Pacific Navigation Co., the E. & N. Railway Co., and the Canadian Pacific Railway Co., have kindly offered to convey the visitors from the adjoining States, in compliance with which is duly appreciated.

THE HOSPITAL BAILL

The Efforts of the Women's Auxiliary Add \$1,000 to the Hospital Funds.

Most grateful thanks are extended by the managing committee of the Women's Auxiliary of the Royal Jubilee hospital to the members and friends who contributed so generously towards the supper for the charity ball. All the donations, upwards of 200, have been duly noted in the society's books.

Thanks are also due to the Hudson's Bay Co., R. P. Rithet & Co., Ltd., Wilson Bros., Turner, Beaton & Co., S. J. Pitts & Son, Leiser & Co., Pither & Leiser, Steiner & Earle, C. W. Rogers, A. McAfee, Messrs. Thorpe, Morley, Simmons & Coker, Mrs. C. W. E. Smith & Co., Electric Light Co., Inver-tash, Nursery, Mr. Dods, florist; Mr. Fletcher, Weller Bros. and Capt. Grant, for generous loans and donations; also to Messrs. Henson, Chamber & Mitchell, T. N. Hibben & Co., and Victoria Book & Stationery Co., for undertaking the sale of tickets; E. B. Marvin & Co., for their American Standard; and, as ever, to the press for their kindly notices. Write for particulars.

Further details will be published after the next monthly meeting of the Women's Auxiliary, which will be again the first (instead of the second) Tuesday in next month, on account of the approaching holiday season.

It is understood that the gross receipts of the ball and Cinderella party last week amounted to something over \$1,000, which will unquestionably leave a handsome balance after incidental expenses are discharged.

SIMPLY MARVELOUS.

Said a physical not far from Toronto when he watched the patient he had given up to die from cancer of the stomach. Our treatment cures cancer without knife or plaster. Write for particulars. STOTT & JURY, Box 9, Bowmansville, Ont.

CHAMBERLAIN'S PAIN BALM CURES OTHERS. WHY NOT YOU?

My wife has been using Chamberlain's Pain Balm, with good results, for a lame shoulder that has pained her continually for nine years. We have tried all kinds of medicines, and doctors, without receiving any benefit from any of them. One day we saw an advertisement of this medicine and thought of trying it, which we did with the best of satisfaction. She has used only one bottle and her shoulder is almost well. Adolph L. Miller, Manchester, N. H. For sale by Henderson Bros., Wholesale Agents, Victoria and Vancouver.

Official Publication.

Work for the Legislature Forthwith. In This Week's Gazette.

The Gazette this week contains the following announcements: The application will be made at the next meeting of the Legislature for the incorporation of a company to construct and operate a railroad from Victoria to a point on the eastern boundary of the province.

The following companies are incorporated: Noble Five Consolidated Co., of Cody; capital, \$12,000. Bornte Bank Gold Mining Co. of Rossland; capital, \$500,000. Lavina-Butte Consolidated of Rossland; capital, \$1,000,000.

A court of revision for Vancouver city will be held on Dec. 28th at 11 a.m. Mason & Bradburn give notice that they will ask the Legislature for the necessary power to authorize the corporation of Victoria to give a lease of the James Bay flats, as contemplated in the Croft scheme.

Application will be made at the next session of the B. C. Legislature for the extension of the time for the completion of the Vancouver & Lulu Island Railway Act (1891) Amendment Act 1897.

The Legislature will be asked at its next session to incorporate a company to build a railroad from Horseshoe Bay, in Nanaimo district, then northwesterly to a point on the Nanaimo lakes, thence to the head of Alberni canal, with power to build a branch line to Chemainus River.

An order has been made by Mr. Justice Irving for the winding up of the Alliance Prospecting Syndicate of B. C. He also issues an order dissolving the Splice's Shingle Mills Co.

His Honor the Lieut.-Governor has been pleased to make the following appointments: To be justices of the peace for the counties of Victoria, Nanaimo, Vancouver, Westmorland, Yale, Cariboo and Kootenay.

Seth Thorne Tilley of Belle Bella; Byrland Byrland of Belle Coola.

Along the Waterfront.

News was brought by steamer Cottage City that the totem pole stolen in a midnight raid on a deserted Tongass village by the E. J. excursion party which went north on the steamer City of Seattle last summer, is making more trouble. Because of the annexation of the pole the steamer City of Seattle is tied up at Skagway pending the decision of the grand jury of Alaska now in session at Juneau. The pole has been erected in one of Seattle's squares, and as a trouble-maker is unsurpassed. A number of Indian chiefs have filed claims for damages at Seattle and now the steamer of the totem-snatchers is under detention, for it seems the Post-Tongass Indians are up in arms over the matter. They claim that the totem was taken from their burying ground from the graveside of one of the most powerful Tongass families. Northerners say that unless those who took the pole are punished, or the Indians in some way compensated, those who visit the vicinity of Cape Fox are liable to be in danger of their lives, because Indians in seeking revenge, do not stop to consider who is the guilty party. The officers of the Cottage City left the Seattle at Skagway on Tuesday last, and could give no idea as to how long she would be detained.

On Thursday last seven whalers returned to San Francisco from the Arctic. Steamer Bowhead brought 11,000 pounds of whalebone and 70 white fox skins; steamer Wm. Baylies 16,000 pounds of whalebone and 300 barrels of oil; steamer Bowdler 7,000 pounds of oil; steamer Bowdler 7,000 pounds of whalebone, 3 bear skins and 80 pounds of ivory; steamer Thrasher 11,500 pounds of whalebone, 300 barrels of oil, 180 fox skins and 190 pounds of ivory; bark Alaska 3,000 pounds of whalebone, bark day boat 7,000 pounds of whalebone, 806 barrels of whale oil and 180 barrels of sperm oil; bark John & Winthrop 1,500 pounds of whalebone and 200 barrels of oil, and bark California had 1,400 pounds of whalebone, 1,080 barrels of sperm oil and 372 barrels of whale oil.

News was received from Sidney this afternoon that Captain Johnson, the well known life-saver, has found on the beach there the name board of a vessel named Canada. No other wreckage was found. He thinks the board is from a vessel that had the size of a sailing schooner. No vessel is known to be missing of that name.

THE MISTAKEN TRIP REPORT FOR THE CAUSE.

That is what the person does who tries to cure rheumatism or any other disease by believing the symptoms. Hood's Sarsaparilla attacks the cause of the disease. It neutralizes the acid in the blood and thus permanently cures rheumatism. It tones and strengthens the stomach, restores its natural digesting fluids and permanently cures dyspepsia.

HOOD'S PILLS cure constipation

Write for copy.

IRISH NATIONALISTS.

Dublin, Nov. 23.—A conference of Nationalist members of parliament was held in the Mansion House here to-day, the object being the bringing about of a reunion of the different Irish factions. Mr. Timothy Harrington presided. Only a score or so of members were present. Mr. Healy, who declined the absence of John Dillon and his followers, but said he thought it was the duty of the conference to proceed with the consideration of the proposals of Mr. Harrington's party and discuss the basis for a reunion.

ARCHBISHOP LEWIS RESIGNS.

(Associated Press.)

Kingston, Nov. 23.—Archbishop Lewis, Bishop of Ontario and Metropolitan of Canada, has notified the executive of the diocese this morning of his intention to retire in May next, owing to old age and infirmities. He has been Bishop 57 years, and is now 72 years of age. He will receive a retiring allowance of \$2,000 per annum.

The safe of Trinity Episcopal church, St. John, was blown open by dynamite on Sunday night and \$450 in cash taken.

Grievances to Be Removed

Victoria West Residents and the City Council in Friendly Conference

The Obstructions on Craigflower Road to Be Taken Away.

Incoming Council to Be Recommended to Erect a New Fire Hall.

After a long drawn out series of disputes and apparent misunderstandings, the people of Victoria West and the City Council appeared to have reached the end of their differences. This is the most likely result of the conference held last evening between the members of the committee appointed at a recent meeting in the western suburb and the mayor and aldermen, which took place in the committee room at the City Hall.

The conference was marked by a readiness to give and take and by an absence of anything approaching acrimony. Ald. Kinsman made a short personal statement in answer to a resolution passed at the meeting and spoke with some little warmth. Adhering to the policy he pursued in the council during the discussion of the Craigflower road dispute, Ald. Kinsman retired from the room when that subject came up for discussion.

Ultimately it was decided that resolutions be passed in the council adopting the suggestions made by the committee, even the obstructions on Craigflower road being, it is understood, removed. The fire hall and other matters involving expenditure will be recommended to the favorable consideration of the incoming council, although in the matter of needed lights it is probable the wishes of the committee will be complied with immediately.

His Worship the Mayor presided and the aldermen were present.

The deputation consisted of Messrs. Beaumont Boggs, T. F. Gold, J. Colquhoun, C. W. Jenkinson, Captain James Gaudin, J. Nicholson, E. R. Brown, Rev. W. D. Barber, G. Ramsay and Sidney Shaw.

The mayor opened the proceedings by reading the following resolution passed at the public meeting in 'Seaside' hall on the 9th inst:

1. That the meeting is of the opinion that immediate steps should be taken to build a suitable fire hall in the western suburb, and equip it with a chemical engine or other suitable apparatus.

2. That, in view of the fact that the residents of this part of the city strongly urge upon the city council the necessity of fighting and putting in a passable condition the Indian reserve and other roads as a protection to life and property.

3. That, in view of the absence of any recreation grounds in the northern portion of the city, it is most desirable that a portion of the Indian reserve above the Esquamit road should be rented for such purposes.

4. That the report published in the local press of the proceedings of the municipal council of the city of Victoria at its meeting on Monday evening last, remaining uncorrected, this meeting takes this as the earliest opportunity of repudiating the charge of Alderman Kinsman, to the effect "that the desire of the ratepayers of 'Victoria West' in inviting the Board of Aldermen to a conference on the subject of the obstructions placed by them across the Craigflower road."

5. That, in view of recent accidents arising from the use of the Esquamit road, the city council be requested to again remove the obstructions placed by them across the Craigflower road.

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Ald. Humphrey moved a resolution to that effect, and Ald. H. Ward seconded. The motion was carried by a majority of 10 to 4. Ald. Beckwith said that he would like to see the council do something to pass such a motion at the regular meeting of the council.

On the subject of resolution No. 2, Mr. Boggs said that nine-tenths of the people of Victoria West travel over the road through the Indian reserve, and in dark nights it is almost impossible to keep on the walk. Were residents of Victoria because they happened to live in Victoria West not to be considered?

The mayor admitted there was a good deal in the argument for light, but what benefit would be gained by placing the road in better condition? It could not be used for vehicular traffic.

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The mayor said it would be quite in order to apply to the Provincial and Dominion governments that such a piece of land be devoted to the purpose of a public park.

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Cottage City Arrives

Brings Details of the Drowning Accident in White Horse Rapids.

River Steamers Frozen in Ch Lake Le Barge-On to Nome.

Steamer Cottage City arrived at 11:30 last night with a large crowd of passengers, mostly from Alaskan coast ports. Arrivals by her confirmed the news published yesterday of the wreck of the scow near Ogish, with the loss of her crew. Details are given by the passengers of the drowning referred to yesterday at White Horse rapids, on Sunday, Nov. 12th. The drowned men were J. Smith and W. Beattie. Robert McIntosh narrowly escaped a similar fate. The accident occurred while the men were attempting to shoot the White Horse rapids in a small boat laden with oars from the wrecked steamer Lindemann, which still hangs on the rocks in Sliamk rapids, just above White Horse rapids, where it struck.

Smith, Beattie and McIntosh had secured a load of oars and had started through White Horse when the craft became unmanageable from filling with water, or by some other cause, and getting from their control. Smith and Beattie were separated from the craft, and being unable to get hold of it again, or in any way to reach the shore, were carried down by the surging and merciless waters. McIntosh, it is understood, kept with the boat, and floated out with it after it had overturned.

Beyond the fact that Smith is supposed to have once resided at Telegraph on the Yukon, nothing is known of the identity of either of the dead. McIntosh, the survivor, mired last summer in the Atlin district.

Those who returned from Bennett report that the weather was cold and the boats were full, excepting the Gleason, which was still running to Caribou, carrying railway extension material. Ice had formed for a distance of a mile and a half out on the lake and it is doubtful if it is solid by this time. Two steamers, the Anglian and Godard, and a fleet of ten scows were frozen in at the head of Lake Le Barge. On the Anglian, it is said, there is over \$150,000 in gold dust, and several hundred pounds of Klondike mail. Most of the Klondike passengers are members of the Canadian Development Company's river staff, who, as said yesterday, expected to reach Skagway in time to catch the Danube. According to the story told by the steamer men, the boats are in a perilous condition, and it is probable they will be crushed to pieces by the erratic action of the ice.

Passengers from Jansen report that the United States court is playing a hard game with the Yukon, and that a number of criminal cases from the Yukon, F. A. Temple of Washington, D. C., received a six year sentence for stealing C. H. Crutchfield of San Francisco, at Port Clarence. The two were sentenced to the same term, but Crutchfield, later wrecked, and while at Port Clarence, Temple, without warning, made a murderous assault upon Crutchfield with a knife, and would have succeeded in killing him but for the timely interference of others on board the vessel. The revenue cutter Bear brought Temple and Crutchfield to St. Michael—the former a prisoner and the latter a witness—and from there they were conveyed to Juneau, where Crutchfield was detained in jail as a witness, and besides receiving \$1 per day fee got \$376 mileage.

News was brought from Dawson that the expected winter stampede to Cape Nome has already begun. The steamer Rought passed down the Sound early this morning.

RHEUMATISM CAN'T EXIST