

made, and was as good as his word. Mr. Brighthouse brought the first cooking-stove to the shores of the Inlet, carrying it in on his back. Shortly after settling in their log house he and Mr. Hailstone began the work of cutting a trail across the peninsula, from where the Sunnyside Hotel now stands to False Creek, and this they accomplished before the beginning of the next summer. In the spring of 1862 the partners put in a crop of vegetables. During the summer of the same year they leased a large parcel of land on the Fraser River, where the McLaren-Ross mill now stands, and farmed this in conjunction with their own ranch. In the autumn of 1864 Mr. Brighthouse, who had examined the farming country in the Fraser valley, and had foreseen how valuable it must become, purchased six-hundred and ninety-seven acres on Lulu Island, in what is now the most thickly settled portion of the farming country. His land included the site on which the town hall now stands, which the municipality purchased from him. At the time he acquired this estate there were no white settlers on the island. In 1864 he and his partners in the Burrard Inlet property leased their farm, and Messrs. Morton and Hailstone went to California. Mr. Brighthouse, however, remained in British Columbia and continued his farming pursuits with ever-increasing success. In 1866 he bought another property called Rose Hill, near New Westminster, and this he made into a dairy farm. This, and the Lulu Island farm, he continued to conduct simultaneously from that time till 1881. In 1867 his lease of the land where the McLaren-Ross mill stands, ran out, and he did not renew it, having as much of his own property on his hands as he could conveniently manage. He found that the dairy farm at Rose Hill and his Lulu Island farm were running admirably together, and he accordingly expended money largely in improving them. In 1870 his barn on Lulu Island, the largest on the river, was burned with the entire crop. When he had fairly got the land under cultivation he went pretty largely into stock raising and was especially anxious to increase the quality of the farm cattle in this country, and did not a little in this direction by the purchase of thoroughbreds. Mr. Brighthouse served in the second council of Lulu Island, having been appointed by that body to fill the place of a member who had gone to Canada. He had been requested previously to stand for the council and had refused, and now only accepted the position at the solicitation of the councillors. During 1869 and 1870 Mr. Brighthouse was one of the active