

## NANAIMO OUTLOOK NEVER BETTER

### MANY NEW INDUSTRIES BENEFITTING CITY

#### Business Interests in Most Healthy State—Trade is Excellent.

(Special Correspondence.)

Nanaimo, March 19.—Never before in the history of Nanaimo has the outlook for business and industry been so bright as at present, and not only is the prospect good, but actual trade is in excellent condition, and there is probably no town in the West where the financial disturbance that caused such widespread panic in the United States has been so little felt as here. This is probably due to some extent at least to the fact that there has been no boom values here, either in stocks or real estate, and as it was the speculative values all over the country that suffered most, Nanaimo consequently scarcely felt the shock. There was, to be sure, some curtailment of production especially in the production of coal which is marketed chiefly in California, but even in this line the equilibrium is being rapidly restored, and it is confidently anticipated that the course of another month or two even this branch of industry will be producing the limit of the mines and active work begun on plans that will in a very short time double the output of coal more than double what it has ever been in the history of the city.

Even now if one were to figure up the actual output of this commodity in all the mines in this vicinity the result would be surprising, and would be quite possibly greater than ever before, for in addition to the large mines of the Western Fuel Co., the production of which has been somewhat curtailed, there are several new mines opening up which are now in course of shipping, and if it were gone into carefully, it is certain that not only would the output keep up, but the wage roll is also as large as ever and the number of men employed fully as many as formerly. These outside mines are, of course, only in their infancy, and in every case the operation of the mines has been attended with a most satisfactory degree of success which augurs well for greatly extended workings in the immediate future.

Every other branch of business in Nanaimo is in the most flourishing condition. Never has the fishing season been such an unqualified success as this season just closed, while the local lumber trade has never been so good for years. Then, too, there is the large community of farmers who depend to a large extent on Nanaimo for a market for their produce. These people, whose condition is perhaps the very best indication of the general condition of business, are generally most prosperous, the market takes everything that they can supply and at the best prices and for this reason there have been many new settlers who are taking to farming and with the very best results. Further than this there is a most satisfied one among all the business interests of the city, all the merchants are doing well, the imports are much in excess of last year, the post office activity cannot handle the new work that is coming through the mails, the banks are optimistic and report business decidedly better than last year, every train and boat that comes to the city is crowded, houses are being put up in every direction, and several large business blocks are planned for the coming summer. Every house and cabin in the city is occupied, and altogether the business interests of this city are in a most healthy state, and it would not be surprising if the coming summer should see the beginning of an extension of Nanaimo that will carry it to double its present population in a few years.

And the reasons for this are not far to seek to any person who makes a cursory examination into conditions. Take the number of new industries that have started in the city during the past year or two, and consider the effect of them. A brief incomplete list of them is as follows:

1. Western Fuel Company, new mine at Northfield, capacity 1,000 tons per day.
2. Western Fuel Company, new sawmill at Harewood.
3. New whaling station employing about 50 hands.
4. New coal mine at Little Mountain.
5. New coal mine in South Wellington.
6. New coal mine at West Wellington.
7. Half a dozen new fish-curing establishments.
8. Red Fir Lumber Company, new saw and door factory and capacity of sawmill doubled.
9. South Wellington Lumber Company, new sawmill.
10. Ladysmith Lumber Company, new mill planned in Mountain district with lumber yards and offices in Nanaimo.
11. Large extension of the works of the Hamilton Powder Company.

12. New ferry landing with capacity of 15 cars, to bring freight cars direct from Vancouver.

13. Work begun on extension of E. N. railway from Wellington to Alberni.

14. Nanaimo Foundry and Machine Works. A new branch has been added to this establishment for the manufacture of marine engines.

This is surely quite a formidable and varied list of new industries for a city like Nanaimo, and gives the key to the solution of the problem of why it is that stores never were so busy, the houses never so completely occupied, the farmers never so prosperous, and the people generally so well contented in Nanaimo at present. And a further note in this connection is that in not one single instance, given above, has the industry reached its capacity of employment, but on the contrary, the possibilities of them all are very much greater than at present, and in most cases the industry has only been started and is not yet in proper operation, as for instance, three of the new industries, the operations of the Ladysmith Lumber Co., and the new ferry landing. When all these industries get into the full swing of business they will each add a direct quota to the population, indirectly will bring more banks, more stores and other subsidiary industries, and all to the great benefit of the city.

### SALT RHEUM CURED.

BY DR. WILLIAMS' PINK PILLS  
AFTER DOCTORS TREATMENT  
HAD FAILED.

Skin troubles indicate that the blood is in a poisoned state. It is the poison in the blood that causes blotches, pimples, eczema, boils, salt rheum or bad complexion. Dr. Williams' Pink Pills make rich, red blood that banishes these troubles. Mrs. Osborne, wife of Andrew Osborne, clerk of the Township of Kennebec, Frontenac County, Ont., writes: "I cannot speak too highly of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills, for they did for me what doctors failed to do. Some years ago I was attacked by salt rheum in the hands, caused by a run-down condition of my blood. I endured the tortures of this terrible disease for several months and only those who have been similarly afflicted can realize my suffering. At times my hands were so bad that I could not comb my hair, or take any food. I consulted a doctor, but his treatment failed to benefit me—my case seemed incurable. While in this condition I read of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills and decided to give them a try. Soon I began to improve, and by the time I had taken about a dozen boxes I was completely cured, and I have not since had the slightest return of the trouble. I can heartily recommend Dr. Williams' Pink Pills to all similar sufferers."

You can't cure eczema, salt rheum and skin eruptions with salves and outward applications. These troubles arise from impurities in the blood and can only be cured through the rich, red blood Dr. Williams' Pink Pills actually make. This simple medical fact should be known by everyone. Dr. Williams' Pink Pills not only cure skin diseases, but all other troubles caused by bad blood, such as anaemia, with its headaches, heart palpitation, indigestion, rheumatism, neuralgia, St. Vitus dance, and the special ailments that afflict so many women and growing girls. You can get these pills from your medicine dealer or by mail at 50 cents a box or six boxes for \$2.50, from the Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., Brockville, Ont.

### REACHING OUT AFTER TRADE AT NANAIMO

Citizens' League Will Seek to  
Have Steamboat Connection  
Established.

Nanaimo, March 18.—The best attended and most enthusiastic meeting of the Citizens' League was the one held last evening in the old council chambers, when the question of appointing a committee to interview C. P. R. officials to try and arrange for the C. P. R. steamer that is about to be placed on the Vancouver-Nanaimo-Comox weekly run, to call at some of the northern logging camps was also discussed. It was thought by those present that it would prove of much benefit to the local merchants to have such calls made, as then a large portion of the trade that now goes to Vancouver would be diverted to this city.

The matter was referred to the new industry committee to report at the next meeting.

### WEDDED AT COAL CITY.

Nanaimo, March 18.—Mr. Wm. Laird-law, of the J. Caldwell tailoring establishment, and Miss Alice Watson, one of Nanaimo's most accomplished young ladies, were united in marriage last night at Coal City, by Rev. J. M. Miller. The bride was attended by Miss Emily Benton, and Mr. Albert Lawson assisted the groom. At the close of the ceremony the wedding party retired to the dining parlors of the Vendome hotel, where supper was partaken of and a pleasant evening spent in general merry-making.

## RHEUMATISM ITS CAUSE AND CURE EXPLAINED

Most people believe because cold aggravates rheumatism, that cold must cause the trouble. Any doctor will tell you that rheumatism originates in the blood and is caused by Uric Acid, an irritating poison that settles in the nerves, joints, muscles and various tissues. You can cure rheumatism by rubbing with a liniment—you must go deeper and reach the blood itself. Anything that will dissolve the Uric Acid poison will cure rheumatism. Hundreds of remedies have been tried but the one that meets with best success is Ferreroze, which destroys Rheumatic virus with wonderful speed. When you take Ferreroze the blood is quickly purified—irritating materials that cause pain are destroyed, aches and twinges cease at once. The nerves are given new power by Ferreroze, appetite and digestion improve, and in consequence the general health is built up. With the body made strong, with new vigor circulating throughout the system, a reserve force is created that is more than sufficient to ward off future attacks. With the same certainty that you await the rising and setting of the sun, so surely can you depend on Ferreroze in rheumatism, whether inflammatory, muscular, or chronic. Being perfectly safe—all can use it, young and old, 50c. per box or six for \$2.50 at all dealers.

## UNEMPLOYED CRUX IN ISLAND CITY

Settlement Said to Have Been  
Effected by Provincial  
Government.

Nanaimo, March 18.—A decision as to the basis upon which the unemployed at Nanaimo will be given work has been arrived at by Hon. F. J. Fulton, chief commissioner of lands and works, it is understood. William Manson, formerly of Nanaimo, has recently reported upon conditions there, and the present decision has no doubt been inspired by his report.

The work undertaken is of a special nature and would not have been undertaken for the present but for the purpose of relieving the unemployed. The question has as a consequence to be dealt with as a relief work, and, upon that ground, statements in the form of statutory declarations were taken from the men, and a specified number of days work has been apportioned to each man according to his need and taking into consideration the family or relatives dependent upon him, as well as the other features as disclosed by his statement.

Instructions have been forwarded to B. Marshall Bray, government agent at Nanaimo. In detail, showing the number of days' work to be given to each man. The men who had been working on the cemetery site, who struck, were allowed to continue work this morning on the basis settled upon. The maximum number of days allowed is 25, which will conclude the work in one month. A large number of men working at Oyster district refused to give any statement or make declarations as to their circumstances. On this account they cannot be continued on the work after Saturday of this week, owing to the fact that it is impossible to take comparatively speaking, how much work these men should be given and what their needs are. Those now on the pay list there will be allowed to make declarations, yet should they desire to do so, and in the event of their doing so, they will be considered on the same basis as those who made statements in the first place.

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## BAT ORANGES

IF YOU WANT TO KEEP WELL.

Careful tests have proved beyond question that orange juice has clearly defined medicinal virtues. Those who suffer with indigestion—are compelled "to diet"—find that after eating oranges regularly for breakfast there is no distress, no palpitation.

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## ECHO OF COWICHAN RIVER TRAGEDY

Body of R. L. Medway Discov-  
ered Near Sahtlam—No  
Relatives Traced.

(Special Correspondence.)

Duncan, March 18.—The body of R. L. Medway, who lost his life while driving logs in the Cowichan River last January, was recovered to-day near Sahtlam.

The deceased was a young Englishman, who had been an engineer and logging was quite new to him. None of his family has been found, although the police of Vancouver and Winnipeg have tried to find them. Almost the only means of tracing relatives was one post card among his belongings and the post mark that was blurred.

The body is to be brought to Duncan by canoe and will be interred to-morrow in St. Peter's churchyard. The Rev. Mr. Leashey will conduct the service.

The fire department had one of its usual practice turnouts, generally held on Tuesdays and Fridays, on Broad street, to-day. The aerial truck No. 1, with a gang of ten blue-jackets under the command of Assistant Chief McDowall, dashed along Broad street until the four-story building of A. & W. Wilson was reached. Here a halt was made and the men commenced turning cranks by means of which the ladder was stretched to the top of the building. From there easy access to the Driford hotel roof was gained and the men made a very creditable showing in reaching the roof of this lofty building. Several new men were amongst them and these practices will be continued twice weekly until the men are proficient. The truck was under the captaincy of T. Palmer.

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Canada, Province of British Columbia. This is to certify that The Business Fire Insurance Company is authorized and licensed to carry on business within the Province of British Columbia, subject to the provisions of the Act in relation to the objects of the Company to which the legislative enactments of the Province of British Columbia extend.

The head office of the Company is situated at the City of Brandon in the Province of Manitoba. The amount of the capital of the Company is five hundred thousand dollars, divided into five thousand shares of One hundred dollars each.

The head office of the Company in this Province is situated at the City of Victoria, in the name of John Anthony Turner, Insurance Broker, whose address is Victoria, British Columbia. The attorney for the Company is

Given under my hand and seal of office at Victoria, Province of British Columbia, this Fourteenth day of February, one thousand nine hundred and eight.

Registrar of Joint Stock Companies. The objects for which the Company has been established and licensed are: For effecting insurance against losses by fire, lightning, windstorms, accidents and casualties, cyclones and tornadoes; and to apply for permission to purchase and transportation insurance and plate glass insurance and to insure livestock.

San Francisco, Cal., W. Stevens, diplomatic Korean agent of state, was arrested