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LATEST FEATURES
IN REALTY MARKETOUTSIDE AGENTS TO
OPEN IN THE CITY

Interesting Reasons Given Why Values
Will Double—Parallel Between
Winnipeg and Victoria.

There are still many interesting fea-
tures and deals to record in connection
with activity in the real estate market,
many which cannot but lend them-
selves to the beautifying of the resi-
dential neighborhood, the extension of
the business area, and the ultimate
benefit of the general community in the
city of Victoria.

Chief among most recent deals has
been the sale of the Metropole hotel,
Johnson street. This property has been
purchased for a sum of \$20,000. The
purchaser is an outsider, but his
name has not yet transpired.

On the eastern end of the Canadian
Pacific Railway company's wharf an
English investor has purchased a lot.
It is situated on Belleville street, and
a sum of \$12,000 was involved in the
transaction.

Belief in the present activity will, it
is thought, in a very short time, induce
a large number of people to open up real
estate offices here. This firm will con-
duct its business in a very up-to-date
fashion, and prospective investors will
view the different properties from the
easy luxury of an automobile.

As previously announced in the
Times, T. G. Gray, of Regina, is at
present in the city. He has bought up
a considerable amount of acreage, and
purposes in the near future opening up
an office here.

Marcus Bantly has bought two lots
on Port street. These are situated op-
posite the residence of Dr. T. S. Jones.
A sum of \$3,500 changed hands. It is
understood that the cigar factory of
Bent & Son will be moved down town.

Commenting on the statement made
in yesterday's Times by the manager
of the Dominion Real Estate Exchange,
to the effect that values were not in-
flated and would double in the course
of time, the following features of the
outlook may be mentioned:

S. G. Featherstone, while predicting
an all-round advance, referred more
particularly to outside acreage. This,
in his opinion, could not but respond
to the demand of incoming easterners.
Such incomers were in many cases ac-
customed to a sense of isolation, and
on this account would prefer a location
outside the city.

As time goes on he expected that
Victoria would develop a tendency to-
wards commercialism. This tendency
would, as in European civilization,
have the effect of making the wealth-
ier inhabitants look for seats beyond
the city limits. This would prove yet
another stimulus to the advancement
of value in outside acreage, having
further regard to the fact that the
climate and soil values were not equal
to the American continent.

He contends that the values of the
outside acreage of Victoria are as
much superior to those of a place like
Winnipeg, as the incomes of that
city are greater than those of Victo-
ria. He bases his belief on the ground
that the severity of the climate in
Manitoba was such as to make it the
dream of the inhabitants to get away
from the place and come and live in
Victoria.

Continuing his parallel between the
two cities, Mr. Featherstone pointed
out the fact that whereas Winnipeg
is surrounded by prairie land, Victoria
is circumscribed on three sides by the
sea. This latter fact should give a
special impetus to the enhancement of
the value of land in and near Victoria.
Now comes the question of money
comment on this feature.

ST. ANDREW'S SOCIETY.

Officers Installed at the Regular Monthly
Meeting Monday Night.

The St. Andrew's Society held its
regular monthly meeting in Sir William
Wallace hall on Monday, at which the
following officers were installed: G. L.
Milne, M. D., president; Peter Rid-
dell, president; Jas. Taylor, first vice-
president; A. E. Manson, second vice-
president; A. E. Manson, recording secre-
tary; treasurer, Walter Walker; hono-
rary chaplains, R. W. Leslie Clay and
Rev. Dr. Campbell; E. M. MacKenzie,
financial secretary; W. Stewart and T.
Withers, marshals; J. McKenzie, M.
Donaldson and J. Rogers, pipers; Robt.
Wilson, guard. After the business of
the meeting was concluded a social
entertainment was provided, Piper
Rogers supplying the music for Scotch
dances.

ECONOMICAL COUNCIL.

Berlin City Fathers Decide That Recep-
tions to Foreign Monarchs Are
Too Costly.

Berlin, Dec. 10.—When King Haakon
arrives in Berlin next Saturday he will
not be received at the Brandenburg
gate by the municipality nor will there
be any elaborate official welcome by the
city as has been the custom whenever
a foreign monarch visits the capital.
The city fathers have decided that
these receptions are far too costly.

According to an official report Berlin
in the decade from 1895 to 1905 spent no
less than 1,000,000 marks in entertaining
royalties and the bills for the past six
years have aggregated 300,000 marks.

ALLEGED SHIPPING COMBINE.

J. Mather, of Halifax, Appointed Member
of Imperial Commission.

Ottawa, Dec. 10.—John Mather, of Hal-
ifax, has been appointed a member of the
Imperial commission to inquire into the
alleged shipping combine. John Mather,
of Montreal, was appointed, but cannot
attend. Mr. Mather will take his
place.

An average man needs 1,000 pounds
weight of food yearly.

VANCOUVER NOTES.

Accident to "The Owl" Train—Flight-
ing the V. W. & Y. Railway
Company.

(Special to the Times.)
Vancouver, Dec. 11.—"The Owl"
train, running from Vancouver towards
Seattle, ran into a tree early this
morning near Cloverdale. Few partic-
ulars of the accident can be obtained
as the wires are down. The loco-
motive went off the track, but it is be-
lieved no one was seriously hurt.
On the advice of the mayor at the
city council last evening City Solicitor
McEvoy is being sent to Ottawa to ar-
range to fight the V. W. & Y. before
the railway commission. The mayor
also objected to the expropriation pro-
ceedings of the railway to gain posses-
sion of the end of Carroll street, now
in dispute as to the ownership between
the city and the railway. John Hendry is director of
both companies.

ANOTHER REVOLUTION.

Venezuelan Insurgents Under Montilla
Capture Town—Haredes Defeats
Government Troops.

Port De France, Martinique, Dec. 10.—
Venezuelan insurrectionists state that a serious
rebellion has broken out there. Insur-
gents under Gen. Montilla have captured
Barquisimeto, 100 miles east of Caracas.
Haredes, the governor, defeated the
government troops at Coro.

NEWFOUNDLAND
FISHERIES QUESTIONCORRESPONDENCE IS
NOW MADE PUBLIC

London Standard Complains of the Dic-
tatorial Tone of the United
States.

London, Dec. 10.—The correspondence
between the state department at Wash-
ington and the foreign office here and
that between Newfoundland and the
colonial office detailing the circum-
stances leading to the establishment of
the fisheries modus vivendi was pub-
lished here to-day. While the tone is
conciliatory it shows that a wide
chasm remains to be bridged.

The dispatches commenced in Oc-
tober, 1905, with letters from Secretary
Root to Ambassador Durand, dated
October 12th, and October 19th, asking
for an early interview on this subject
of the fisheries, and explaining the
views of the United States of her treaty
rights, and urging that Great Britain
take steps to secure the repeal of the
Newfoundland laws conflicting there-
with. Foreign Secretary Gray on Feb-
ruary 2nd last, through Ambassador
Reid, dealt at length with Mr. Root's
observations, and said he regretted he
was unable to assist them without
important qualifications. Mr. Reid no-
tified Secretary Gray on July 20th that
Mr. Root disagreed with him, adding:
"I am instructed to ask for such action
as will prevent any interference on any
ground by officers of the Newfoundland
government with American fish-
ermen when they go to exercise their
treaty rights on the Newfoundland
coast during the approaching fishing
season."

Secretary Gray replying August 14th,
said he observed, "with much regret
that the wide difference in the views of
the two governments disclosed by the
correspondence makes it hopeless to
expect an immediate settlement, but he
was ready to confer with the United
States government with the view of
arranging a modus vivendi applicable
only to the ensuing season."

On September 12th Mr. Reid wrote
Secretary Gray to the effect that the
government of the United States "hears
with the greatest concern that the
divergence of views renders an im-
mediate settlement impossible," and
suggesting terms of the modus vivendi.
These were accepted by Secretary Gray
on September 25th, whereupon Mr.
Reid was authorized to ratify them.

Press Comments.

London, Dec. 10.—Only a few of the
London newspapers comment this
morning on the correspondence between
Great Britain and the United States in
the matter of Newfoundland modus
vivendi regarding the fisheries ques-
tion.

The Tribune says it feels sure that if
anything is possible by bargaining to
free Newfoundland from this diploma-
tic legacy, Sir Edward Grey, secretary
for foreign affairs, will wish to attempt
it. The paper says that Great Britain
might perhaps purchase, as a con-
cession, what it may be difficult to ex-
port as a right.

The Standard publishes a headed edi-
torial in which it complains of the dic-
tatorial tone of the United States, de-
clares that the Americans had all the
best of the deal, and asks when the
British government will recognize that
its first duty is to its own people.

WILL NOT COMBINE.

Those in Whaling Industry Will Not
Amalgamate With Seattle
Interests.

With regard to a statement publish-
ed Monday on the proposed exten-
sion of the whaling industry, the Times
has been requested to state that the
persons interested in the British Colum-
bia whaling industry have never for a
moment entertained any ideas of as-
sociating business interests with any
outside parties, in Seattle or elsewhere.
They claim, on one reason, that they
control the patented rights of the only
processes which under present condi-
tions and requirements have made off-
shore whaling a success financially,
and quite naturally they are averse to
combining with people who have to
rely on old methods of manufacturing
products of the whale, which are hope-
less of success.

As will be mentioned in this connec-
tion, however, that what the Times an-
nounced was conjecture, and so stated.

STRUCK ROCKS
IN A SNOWSTORMSTEAMER WRECKED
ON LAKE SUPERIOR

The Monarch Met Disaster When on
Last Trip of Season—The
Passengers Saved.

(Special to the Times.)
Port Arthur, Ont., Dec. 10.—Steamer
Monarch, of the Northern Railway
Company, which left Port Arthur in a
blinding snowstorm on Sunday night,
went on the rocks of Isle Royale, forty
miles out of the harbor, and is a com-
plete wreck. Some forty people were
on board. It was the last trip of the
boat for the season previous to laying
up at Sarnia for the winter.

Word was brought to Port Arthur by
a passing steamer, which turned back.
They saw forty people clinging to the
rigging, and it was feared that owing
to the cold weather many lives would
be lost before aid reached them. Later
in the day, however, all the passengers
were taken off in safety.

The Monarch was built twenty years
ago for the old Beatty line. She carried
forty thousand bushels of wheat for
Sarnia, and four hundred tons of flour.
The passengers were commercial trav-
ellers and navvies on the way to the
Soo. The Monarch was commanded by
Captain Robertson, one of the oldest
captains in the company. The boat
was valued at \$100,000.

Isle Royale, where the Monarch was
wrecked, is a rocky island on Lake Su-
perior and just on the line dividing the
United States from Canada, and some
time ago was the subject of a dispute
between the British and American gov-
ernments. In clear weather it can be
seen from the deck of vessels running
into Thunder bay. It is in the neigh-
borhood of forty miles in length and its
shores are very treacherous, being sur-
rounded by rocks rising above the sur-
face of the lake for several miles from
its shores. It is uninhabited save from
few lighthouse keepers.

BURNED TO DEATH.

Woman and Her Child Lost Their
Lives in Fire.

Seattle, Dec. 10.—Mrs. Ella J. Good-
man was burned to death in the ruins
of her home at Hillman City early yes-
terday morning. Her 4-months-old
baby, Lloyd Hamilton, was so badly
burned that he died yesterday after-
noon, and the woman's husband was
seriously scorched about the hands and
face.

The fire started in the cottage occu-
pied by the Goodman family at about
10 o'clock yesterday morning from an
exploded kerosene lamp. In an incredi-
bly short space of time the flames had
spread through the house and in less
than three-quarters of an hour the
building was a mass of smoking ruins.
The woman's body, burned to a crisp
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According to the story told by Good-
man, she was sleeping soundly just
before her wife awakened him and
cried to him that the house was on fire.
A lamp had exploded, and the flames
were even then burning briskly in the
room. There was no time even to dress,
and Goodman rushed from the house
clad only in his night clothes. He at-
tempted to get the garden hose work-
ing, but in going across the yard he cut
his feet badly. John Knoff, Mrs. Good-
man's brother, who lived with the fam-
ily, also was awakened, and he grab-
bed the 4-months-old baby boy and car-
ried him outside. The baby's cot had
caught on fire, and the child was ter-
ribly burned. As quickly as possible it
was taken to a physician, but he could
do little for it. The child was removed
to the home of Goodman's relatives at
225 Cloverdale avenue, South Park, and
it died at 2 o'clock yesterday afternoon.
Mrs. Goodman had rushed out of the
house and was calling for her baby.

Her brother, who had the child in his
arms, replied that he had the child.
Not heeding his reply to her, she
turned and dashed into the burning
house. Her husband started after her
to try and get her out again, but was
driven back by the heat. She had gone
into the direction of the side door, and
about \$100 in cash had been hidden, and
it is the belief of her husband that she
made an attempt to get the money.

Failing to reach her through the front
door, he ran around to the back of the
house and broke into the back door.
The flames leapt out and drove him
back. Then he and his brother-in-law
went to a side window and tried to get
in that way, but again the flames drove
them back.

Goodman and his family, three boys
and one girl, had lived at Hillman City
for the past two years and a half. He
and his brother-in-law are both
teamsters employed by the Seattle
Transfer Company.

The oldest child, a girl 14 years of
age, was the first to get out of the
burning house.

TREADWELL MINES CLOSED.

A dispatch says that for the first time
in twenty years the big Treadwell mines
are closed. Douglas, the manager, is suf-
fering from a coal famine and the lack
of fuel has caused the close-down of the
mines. No relief is in sight, and the
mines will not open for an indefinite
period.

BRIEF TELEGRAMS.

Dr. Fernand Herroth, for 25 years one
of Chicago's most eminent physicians
and surgeons, died of heart disease on
Sunday. Much of his service has been
of a public character. Dr. Herroth was
born in 1841 in Brussels, Belgium.
Horkimer, N. Y. dispatch says:
Chester Gillette, convicted of the murder
of Grace Brown, has been sentenced to
die the week beginning January 28th, 1907.

MANITOBA LEGISLATURE.

Winnipeg, Dec. 10.—The Manitoba
legislature has been called for January
2nd, 1907.

BRITISH NAVY PROGRAMME.

Civil Lord of the Admiralty Declines to
Answer Question in House of
Commons.

London, Dec. 10.—The proposal of
the United States secretary of the
navy that congress authorize the in-
crease of the original programme for
battleships so as to provide for the
building of four instead of two large
warships, formed the subject of a ques-
tion put by Mr. Balfour, Liberal, to the
government in the House of Commons
to-day. He asked if the admiralty had
any information on the subject "and
whether any change in the programme
put by Mr. Balfour, Liberal, was con-
templated?" Mr. Money, Liberal, said
he hoped Mr. Lambert, the civil lord
of the admiralty, would repudiate the
suggestion that an increase in the
strength of the American navy called
for an increase in the British navy.
Mr. Lambert then declined to answer
what he classed as "a question of pol-
icy."

FATAL ACCIDENT.

Laborer at Coal Creek Knocked Down
and Killed.

Ido Fiarese, an Italian laborer working
at the Coal Creek mines of the Crow's
Nest Pass Company, met with a fatal ac-
cident at that place on Wednesday morn-
ing. He was knocked down by a moving
wagon, and the wagon's wheels rolled
over him, crushing him in a terrible manner.
The injured man was conveyed to the Fernie
hospital, where he died at 10 o'clock
afternoon. Deceased was 34 years of age,
unmarried, and leaves an aged mother in
Italy.

EDMONTON MEN
WILL CO-OPERATEWITH VICTORIANS IN
SECURING A FERRY

Interesting Interview With A. W. Tay-
lor, Who Gives Views of People
of Alberta.

A. Williamson Taylor, who some four
years ago left Victoria and went to
Edmonton, Alta., has been in the city
for a day or so. Mr. Taylor has been
successful in securing a position as a
member of the firm of the W. S.
Weeks Co., with offices in Edmonton,
Prince Albert and Saskatoon, and has
during the past year been very suc-
cessful. He states that he notices many
changes for the better in Victoria, and
that the city has certainly awakened
the spirit of progress so noticeable in
all western towns having apparently
at last effected Victoria. He believes
that every word of the business looks
forward to the time when the posses-
sion of a comfortable home in this city
will have become an accomplished fact.
He states that he attributes much of
this to the good work done by the lo-
cal Tourist Association, but adds that
he would recommend that towns like
Edmonton, Regina, Prince Albert and
Calgary should not be overlooked, as
has apparently been the case in the past.
In the places mentioned many inquiries
have been made for information which
could not be furnished, though easily
obtained at Winnipeg.

Edmonton is a place looking
forward to the time when her products
will be shipped westward to the Orient.
This, with the railway completed to
the coast, will be accomplished. The
Grand Trunk Pacific will have its
Prince Rupert terminus on the Cana-
dian Northern line, and the Pacific
Northern seems to be looking to a
point at Bella Coola and the C. P. R.,
which to some is doing apparently
nothing, is quietly building a second
line which will parallel the Grand Trunk
Pacific from Winnipeg to Edmonton.
At this letter point a two-million dol-
lar bridge is under construction, and
from there through the Yellow Head
pass they will reach tide water on Bute
Inlet.

The question of reaching a point on
the west coast of Vancouver Island is
one which is uppermost in the minds of
many Edmontonians. Competition is
keen, and the building of a number
of bridges seems neither wise nor
feasible, but the navigation of a
substantial ferry system found in
other parts of the world is looked upon
with great satisfaction, being a some-
thing which is practical and possible,
and easily constructed and entailing little
or no cost to the province, besides do-
ing away with mathematical calcula-
tions as to the ultimate success of the
undertaking. This latter road reach-
ing the West Coast would counteract
and give competition against its North-
western competitor. That a port will
exist on the West Coast seems certain,
and it will be it is hard to determine,
but Cape Cook and that locality seems
to be the general favorite.

A consignment of flour left Edmon-
ton for Japan the other day, 5,000
casks from the Alberta Milling Com-
pany, and marks the opening of what
will develop into a very large business
as time goes on.

The people of Edmonton will join
hands with Victoria citizens in for-
warding the construction of ferries, as
mentioned, and time will be the essence
of the contract. A movement should be
begun at once.

SUICIDE ON UMATILLA.

John Smith, Known in "Frisco, Shoots
Himself on Trip to Seattle.

When the steamer Umatilla, which ar-
rived here at 10 o'clock Monday,
was on day out on her trip north from
"Frisco," a young man, about twenty-five
years of age, committed suicide by shoot-
ing himself. From papers found on his
person and other means of identification,
it was ascertained that his name was
John Smith, of the Umatilla, and that he
was in the Golden Gate port. He was booked
for Seattle, and Dr. Milne, medical
health inspector, gave permission to the
captain to take the body on to the
Round city. Nothing has yet
been learned of the young man's relations
and it is known why he committed the
rash act.

LIQUOR LICENSE BY-
LAW VOTED DOWNLIVELY DISCUSSION AT
CITY COUNCIL

Wordy Warfare Between the Mayor and
Aldermen—Routine Trans-
acted Last Night.

(From Monday's Daily.)

Mayor Morley's scheme for the
amendment of the liquor license regu-
lations has gone by the board. After a
somewhat wordy discussion at the city
council last night the by-law was re-
jected by six votes to three. Mayor
Morley, Ald. Fullerton and Fell voted
in the affirmative; Ald. Stewart, Hall,
Douglas, Yates, Vincent and Davey in
the negative.

In introducing the motion Mayor
Morley said that there was nothing in
the by-law as far as he was aware,
with the exception of that clause deal-
ing with women being allowed to in-
dulge in hotels, that did not exist in a
city like Los Angeles. The clause
which touches on the regular hours for
closing and that dealing with the sepa-
ration of saloon premises from others,
was necessary in the interest of the
men owning the licenses as well as to
the citizens themselves. Until the pos-
sibility of recklessness was removed
the licenses would always be in a pre-
carious condition. Their licenses might
be revoked at any time, even though
the men themselves might be very
strictly inclined. He was very anxious
to see this by-law passed, and thought
it should be considered clause by
clause.

At this point Ald. Fell interposed, and
said that clause number one was an
act of confiscation.

Mayor Morley replied that it was
hardly fair to condemn the by-law
without discussion.

"Your worship is always asking for
a fair show, and during your term of
office you have had as fair a show as
any mayor who has sat in that chair,"
quickly responded Ald. Fell.

Ald. Stewart said that the provincial
act imposed sufficient restrictions.
There had been no end of trouble on
the liquor question. In fact they had
never had half so much trouble as had
arisen this year. In his opinion the
provincial law was enough.

"It gives us power to regulate the
closing hours," replied Mayor Morley.
There is no sign of the govern-
ment faltering, but to recognize that
it may be forced to resort to extreme
measures. The government recognizes
the stand taken by the Pope as little
less than a summons to French Catho-
lics to open rebellion.

The government's calculations clearly
have been upset and new legislative
authority may be necessary. It having
been decided that religious services
are no longer to be disturbed, the gov-
ernment has no preliminary declaration
under the law of 1881, the Pope's or-
ders entail the immediate initiation of
prosecutions, and logically the invasion
of churches by the police to enforce
their dissolution and expel the parish
priests. The militant Catholics seem-
ingly welcome the prospects of violence
which will compel the closing of the
churches with the attendant excitement
of religious passion.

M. Jaures, Socialist, professes to be-
lieve that the Vatican has deliberately
determined to test the strength of the
party of reaction in an effort to over-
throw the republic. The government has
made preparations to cope with the
situation, but is keeping them se-
cret, evidently awaiting to see whether
any considerable proportion of the
clergy will support the government. It
never maintains a resolute front. In-
structions to the public prosecutors
were telegraphed broadcast to-day.
Premier Clemenceau is quoted as say-
ing: "If the church elects to have war
it will have it, but the world will bear
witness that the Vatican is like a for-
eign power trying to dispute the au-
thority of the French government."

Dr. Briand, minister of public wor-
ship, said that he thought the Pope
yielded to the importunities of the
Ultramontanes, who are ever possessed
with the mad idea that out of disorder
and chaos they will emerge triumphant.
The government does not wish to see
a revolt of the consciences of
French Catholics, but a purely political
enterprise.

BLEW OFF TOP OF HEAD.

Tailor Placed Muzzle of Gun in Mouth
and Pressed Trigger With Toe.

Seattle, Dec. 10.—Without any ap-
parent reason, except that he was tired
of living, Ernest Reetz, a tailor, com-
mitted suicide yesterday in his room
in the Erie house, Fifth avenue south
and Main street. He had blown off the
top of his head with a shotgun. Al-
though no one heard the report of the
shot, the man had been dead but a
short time when he was found, for the
body was still warm.

Reetz had lived in Seattle several
years. He was last seen alive Saturday
night when he retired to his room. He
appeared to be in his usual spirits at
that time.

When Reetz did not get up at his
usual hour yesterday morning, the pro-
prietor of the hotel thought something
was wrong, and at noon he got on a
chair and looked through the transom.
To his horror he saw the head soaked
in blood and the man lying dead across
it.

The police department was notified,
and Patrolman Osborn broke open the
door when Dr. Coroner Arnold ar-
rived. The deputy coroner found that
the man had placed the muzzle of the
double-barrelled shot gun in his mouth
and had pressed the trigger with his
toe. The wound was horrible, the skull
was shattered into a dozen bits and
death was instantaneous. But one
cartridge in the gun was exploded.
Reetz is believed to have been single.
He was about 35 years of age. A bro-
ther, Carl Reetz, lives in San Fran-
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