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AGRICULTURAL INDUSTRY WILL RECEIVE ASSISTANCE

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from the market this had to be done. He agreed with other speakers that a man could not be legislated into religion, such was an attempt at a new inquisition. The enforcement of the law would do serious injury.

The motion was lost by a small majority.

Meeting of Delegates

Upon a motion of P. H. Wilson, it was resolved that all delegates from districts having agricultural associations should meet at the conclusion of the convention and try and arrange a schedule of dates for fall fairs. This carried out the suggestion thrown out during the previous discussion.

The work of the British Columbia Fruit Growers' association was endorsed unanimously by the next resolution.

James Johnstone, at the instance of West Kootenay Farmers' Institute, was responsible for a resolution asking the government to provide good roads and particularly in the Nelson district, between that city and Robson. The tail end of it caused a little discussion, some delegates saying that no particular attention should be paid to any special locality. Mr. Johnstone expressed his willingness to withdraw the reference to Nelson and the motion was carried after very little further debate.

The resolution laid over from the previous day, asking that a $2 tax be placed on dogs, except two apiece free for farmers. Henry Harris, of Langley objected to its passage on the ground that municipalities already had power to tax dogs. Two other delegates said, if the tax was imposed, it should be paid by farmers as well as other people.

On a vote being taken the motion was lost.

Two resolutions were then taken up, both asking that the government be requested to circulate more agricultural literature. In support of his motion, the one that was retained, Mr. Venables said he thought literature was a most important thing to farmers' institutes and the industry generally.

Mr. Anderson said that he had asked for a much larger appropriation than last year for the purpose and he hoped the government would see its way clear to grant it.

To Interview Government

Upon motion the chairman appointed J. T. Collins, the Islands; V. D. Curry, Kamloops, and H. R. Phillips, Matsqui, a committee to wait upon Hon. R. G. Tatlow, and submit the opinion of the convention on the various matters coming before it as expressed in the resolutions passed.

Dog taxes in another form came up next. It was proposed that municipalities be empowered to create a fund from the tax mentioned to be used for compensating owners of sheep that have been destroyed by dogs. The idea was approved and the resolution carried.

A vote of thanks was tendered Mrs. A. Blygh, the stenographer for her unremitting attention to the duties devolving upon her; also one to the chairman both in that capacity and as deputy minister of agriculture. Both were received with liberal applause. Mr. Anderson acknowledged the compliment in fitting terms.

The delegates thought their indemnity for attendance at the institute should be raised from $2.50 per diem to $3.50. So they passed a resolution asking the government to pay the extra dollar.

F. M. Logan, B. S. A., at the request of the institute, made a few remarks. He invited all the delegates to attend the convention of the Dairymen's association as he expected that Dr. Tolmie and other authorities would be present.

The Dairying Industry

During 1906, he continued, the dairying industry had shown satisfactory progress. Two new creameries and a cheese factory had been opened and the output of the older creameries had increased by from 15 to 20 per cent. The cash value of the product of 1906 was $50,000 than the year before but there was still room for a large increase. This was most satisfactory, in view of the fact that, some of the older provinces the industry was going backward and in others standing still.

Good prices for butter ruled in this province about 5 cents a pound more than any other; and last year the local creameries had obtained an advance in price of at least a cent. One thing necessary, however, was to prevent the large output during the month of June. At this period of the year a large amount of butter was sold last year and the market was flooded. Some of the creameries became scared and reduced the price from 25 cents to 21. This was unnecessary, as within a few weeks the market was here. Those creameries that had kept their butter in boxes, and sold it after a few weeks, got from 25 to 26 cents, or 5 cents more than it brought at some period in June.

To meet this state of affairs a Creamery Owners' association had been decided that no one creamery could reduce the price, but it was left to a committee of the society.

Spring Stock Fair

With reference to the spring fair, to be held in New Westminster on March 20, and following days, the programme would soon be out. A number of stallions and other stock would be for sale and those wishing good animals could obtain them. In addition there would be prizes for stock judging contests, one of the best methods of getting young men interested in the farm and its animals. If the delegates could not come themselves, it would be a wise thing to send their boys.

In conclusion, Mr. Logan said that he had endeavored to do his best for the dairying and allied industries during his year in the province. He would have to decide very shortly whether he could stay any longer. While he had not yet decided, he would say that British Columbia was the best province he had ever lived in. (Applause.)

Superintendent's Report

The committee on resolutions then presented its report upon the annual report of the superintendent. It contained congratulatory references to the increase in membership in local institutes ascribing the same to the practical demonstrations and work conducted at the meetings. A hearty vote of thanks was included to Hon. R. G. Tatlow for his unremitting attention to the betterment of the agricultural interests of the province.

In response to a vote of thanks tendered him for his speech F. M. Logan again impressed the necessity of interesting the boys and girls in the work of the farm. There was much more attention being paid to livestock than formerly but was not some of it at the expense of the rising generation.

The convention then adjourned to meet again next spring.

HUDSON BAY LANDS.

Balance of Acreage of Uplands Farm To Be Placed on Market Shortly.

Though James Thomson, manager of the Hudson's Bay Company, has declined to make any statement regarding the disposition of the balance of the Uplands farm, 500 acres of which was acquired last week by Messrs. Oldfield & Gardner, it is definitely known that it will be placed on the market shortly, either by the company or a purchaser.

Most of the property is leased at present, a large portion to Chinamen, and more to George Dean, and it is understood the leases do not expire until 1910. The company, however, has power to resume possession at any time upon payment of compensation. When the area mentioned is placed on the market the Hudson's Bay Company will act in conjunction with Oldfield & Gardner, and their local representative, Andrew Wright, in converting the whole farm, about 1,000 acres in extent, into a model residential district.

It is a long time back to April 30th, 1850, when this land and the Oak Bay and Gordon Head districts were acquired from the Chee-Ko-Noin tribe for £79 10s. As the grant from the Indians to Douglas is a document of some historical interest it is reproduced herewith:

"Know all men, we, the chiefs and people of the tribe of family of Che-ko-nein, who have signed our name and made our marks to this deed on the thirtieth day of April, one thousand eight hundred and fifty, do consent to surrender, entirely and forever, to James Douglas, the agent of the Hudson's Bay Company in Vancouver Island, that is to say, for the Governor, Deputy Governor, and Committee of the same, the whole of the lands situate and lying between Point Gonzales and Mount Douglas, following the bounary line of the Chilcowitch and Kossompson families, the canal de Haro, and the straits of Juan de Fuca, east of Point Gonzales.

"The condition of or understanding of this sale is this, that our village sites and enclosed field are to be kept for our own use, for the use of our children, and those who may follow after us; and the land shall be properly surveyed hereafter. It is understood, however, that the land itself, with these small exceptions, becomes the entire property of the white people for ever; it is also understood that we are at liberty to hunt over the unoccupied lands, and to carry on our fisheries as formerly.

"We have received, as payment, seventy-nine pounds ten shillings sterling.

"In token whereof, we have signed our names and made our marks, at Fort Victoria, on the thirtieth day of April, one thousand eight hundred and fifty."

(Signed) Chayth-lum his "X" mark, and 29 others.

THE SERVANT PROBLEM.

Petition Asking for Reduction of Chinese Head Tax.

"Whereas girls coming to, or, at present in British Columbia, much prefer occupation in offices, stores and factories to domestic service, and at present the demand for them in these vocations far exceeds the supply the undersigned women wish their names to go on record as being in favor o. a reduction of the tax on Chinese coming into Canada as domestic servants."

The above is a copy of a petition drafted by a number of Vancouver women.

A Vancouver woman told a News-Advertiser representative that Victoria and Montreal women had been the instigators of the movement. The same petition had been started in those cities by hudreds of women. In Montreal, the petition had been presented to the Board of Trade. This lady said it had not been decided whether Vancouver women would present the petition to the Board of Trade or forward it direct to the Parliament at Ottawa. "In either case," she said, "we hope that it will bear good fruit and that we will be enabled to get the hoisehold help which is, at present, so hard to secure."

PROPOSED RAILWAY WOULD BE A SUCCESS

Feasibility and Profitable Working Thoroughly Established By Facts

It has not yet been definitely decided in what form the proposal for a railway across the central interior of the province, connecting with Victoria and Esquimalt by a ferry over Nodales channel will be introduced in the legislature that opens to-day. The probable selection as Speaker of D. M. Eberts, K.C., member-elect for Saanich, who was most active during the recent campaign in bringing the matter forward, would, in that event, prevent his leading the discussion but Victoria is so vitally interested in the matter that one of the city members will probably take the initiative in the movement.

During the past month the Colonist has published practically all the available information on the subject, from Lieut. Palmer's exploration in 1862 to the survey of practically the whole route by H. P. Bell, in 1895. The admirable surveys of Sir Sandford Fleming and his staff in the early seventies have also been drawn upon and many prominent residents of the city and province, acquainted with various parts of the territory proposed to be traversed have added their testimony as to the advisability of the immediate construction of the proposed railway.

Case Summed Up.

It is now time to sum up the arguments in favor of the project. To complete a review it would, under less happy circumstances, have been necessary also to tabulate the arguments against it. Such a duty, is, however, not called for in the present instance as there has not been a word spoken to the detriment of the proposal either as to the feasibility or assured financial success.

Cost comes first. Mr. Bell's estimate is that from Comox to the Yellow Head pass summit the proposed railway would be built and made ready for traffic for the sum of $23,500,000. This includes two three-track car ferry boats for the passage across Nodales channel and terminal facilities at both ends of the ferry route. This estimate also has a ten per cent addition for omissions and contingencies, so that it must be accepted as reasonably correct.

Total Cost Estimated.

For equipment, on the authority of a railroad man in the city, a sum of about $10,000 per mile would have to be added. This would make the total cost, as the length of the road would be 477½ miles, $28,175,000. Taking a five per cent charge for interest and sinking fund—4 per cent interest and a 1 per cent sinking fund charge on 20 year bond—the amount to be provided annually would be $1,413,750. This is less than $3,000 per mile per annum, under ten dollars profit a mile for each working day.

Would this profit be forthcoming? Present rates give an intimation. Cedar and shingles, in carload lots, from Victoria to Calgary cost 39½ cents per 100 lbs., with a minimum of 30,000 lbs. to the car or $118.50 the carload. Fir rates, on the same basis, are 38 cents of $114.00 the car. Apples and pears, to same place, also in carload lots, with a minimum of 24,000, cost 86 cents per hundredweight or $204.00 the car. Mixed fruit and vegetables are carried for $1.00 per hundred, 20,000 lbs. minimum, or $200.00 the car.

Heavy Lumber Shipments.

From points along the main line of the C.P.R. alone in this province during 1904, the latest year for which statistics are available, 102,618 tons of lumber were shipped to the Territories, now the provinces of Alberta and Saskatchewan. At 30,000 lbs. to the car this works out as 6,841 carloads. At the lowest rate given above this meant a revenue of $779,874. Estimated shipments by rail from the province during 1905 show a total of 17,300 cars. If only half this amount was carried by the new road, and the total given was all carried by the C.P.R., the revenue would be about $1,000,000 every year. And it must not be forgotten that the market is practically unlimited. It is safe to assert that the total fixed charges on the proposed railway would be paid out of freight on lumber shipped east.

The rates for fruit are given to show what a large revenue will be derived from that source when the road mentioned is built.

Feasibility Unquestioned.

The feasibility of the proposed railway has never been questioned. All authorities state it is the most direct route to the Pacific seaboard, shorter in mileage to the open sea than any other located or contemplated. Its highest grade would be less than half that on the C.P.R. through Kicking Horse pass.

It would traverse, or have tributary to it, all the southern portion of Vancouver Island, the fruit growing paradise of the world; it would have the illimitable forests of the island to draw upon; it would open up the Chilcotin plains with the resultant enormous stock and produce trade thereby rendered possible; it would place the mines of "Golden Cariboo" in close connection with a railway; and it would open up the terra incognita that exists between the Fraser river and the Rockies.

Not only this, when the prairie wheat comes west, as it must do shortly, it would take a hand in this great traffic. The proposed railway would belt the centre of British Columbia, as nearly as possible between the C.P.R. and the Grand Trunk Pacific, separated in the interior from either by 125 miles of territory. And it would give Victoria and Vancouver Island generally that transcontinental connection it stands so much in need of. When the Orient wakes and the markets of the Antipodes are invaded there will be another and greater source of traffic opened up. These are only some of the reasons why the railway should be built at once; a little consideration will suggest many others.

NOTICE is hereby given that 30 days after date, I intend to apply to the Hon. Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for special licence to cut and carry away timber from the following described lands situae on Nitnat Lake, Renfrew District:

No. 1. Claim commencing at a post planted at the south-west corner of Indian Reserve, on west bank of lake, 1½ miles north of entrance; thence west 80 chains; thence north 80 chains; east 80 chains; thence south 80 chains to point of commencement.

February 25, 1907.

No. 2. Claim commencing at the north east corner of said Indian Reserve; thence west 80 chains; thence north 80 chains; thence east 80 chains; thence south 80 chains to point of commencement.

February 27, 1907.

WM. McDONALD.
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