

land is still cheap in South Vancouver, and those who have the handling of it are men so reasonable that the would-be settler who cannot settle in South Vancouver must indeed be difficult to please.

South Vancouver is, above all things, a place for a "home," with all that environs—that word so full of meaning to the British people.

"Why pay rent?" was a question often asked the new-comer, who took up his abode in some city rooming-house. "Ah! why pay rent?" he asked himself. Then he came out to South Vancouver—and here he is!

South Vancouver has a municipal council. The influx of new settlers pouring in by the thousand drew burdens of responsibility on that council—responsibility and hard work.

What was to be done? The answer is best given in a little story.

The voyage to Victoria looked likely to be stormy. "Tell me, captain," said a lady, "what is the best thing for my husband to do if he has an attack of sea-sickness?"

"Don't worry, madam," said the captain, "he will do it."

Reeve Pound and the councillors did what was necessary. They have risen to the occasion. Roads have been cut, sidewalks laid, a complete water system installed. Wooden pipes proving inadequate for a demand of over 300 new services a month, over fifty miles of new steel pipes have been ordered to supplement a system of some sixty miles already laid.

"Sixty miles of sidewalks laid," "seventy miles of road rocked," "arc lights placed in all important thoroughfares," "fire halls built in all the wards," "new municipal hall built"—these will be the last year's records of good work done by the council, while private enterprise has not only erected stores and halls of excellent architecture, ample, commodious and convenient, but a public library and museum shortly to be opened; brass bands formed for Cedar Cottage and Central Park are tangible evidence that the population are not only commercially alive but have yearnings after good music, healthy recreation and what Matthew Arnold said imparted "sweetness and light" to a population.

South Vancouver has a healthy appetite for clean sport; it has open spaces and playgrounds, and on its highest ground stands a large portion of Central Park—a beautiful

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