

AGAIN URGES CLAIMS OF CHINESE SCHOLARS Old Matter Once More Brought to Attention of School Board

Once again the question of the Chinese in the city schools was brought to the attention of the school board at last night's regular meeting by a lengthy communication from Hon. Fred Peters, who in the past has acted as counsel for the parents of some of the Chinese boys who, by the action of the board, were at first debarred from attending the city schools. Subsequently the board agreed to allow such Chinese children as are native born the privilege of attending school. Mr. Peters contends that under this decision of the board there are a large number of Chinese children who are not allowed to attend school though their fathers are native born. He claims that the board is bound to provide accommodation for all children of school age resident in this city, no matter what their nationality may be. At the same time the Chinese would be willing that the Chinese school be reverted to a separate teacher to be provided for the Chinese children.

At least two teachers as the number of Orientals now attending the city schools was too many for one teacher. There are at present fifty-seven Chinese and four Japanese scholars attending school. He thought that in view of the small number of Japanese and the fact that they come of the better class, it would not be necessary to change them but to receive them by Trustees Christie that the board must look to the future and that the proper way would be to make all Orientals attend the one school.

Medical Inspection Dr. Wasson, medical inspector for the city schools, who was present at the meeting, stated that he understood that notices had been sent to all the school boards pointing out the necessity of vaccination, but Superintendent Paul has not yet received no such notice. Dr. Wasson explained that he had written to the Vancouver board and had received a certificate of the regulations enforced there. Generally speaking the work of medical inspection was conducted by the hands of the inspector. Dr. Wasson will be asked to formulate some plan of inspection and submit it to the board for consideration.

VICTORIA FLOWER SHOW A SCENE OF BEAUTY Nature and Art Combined to Transform the Drill Hall—Prize Winners

The seventh annual flower show of the Victoria Horticultural society opened yesterday to a good attendance, notwithstanding the threatening weather. The scene, as was to be expected, was one of beauty and grandeur and presented a great contrast to its usual bare and businesslike appearance. The hall, outlined and whitewashed walls being green, and shrouded with green foliage and enlivened by the hues of a hundred flowers.

Decorations Mrs. W. Warburton, the Victoria Horticultural society, who presided over the afternoon tea, which was a very successful one, presided over the afternoon tea, which was a very successful one, presided over the afternoon tea, which was a very successful one.

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FRENCH NOBLEMEN HERE FROM QUEBEC Comite de Montcalm et Marquis de Levis Mirepoix Are Touring Continent.

The Comite de Montcalm and the Marquis de Levis Mirepoix spent part of the afternoon in Victoria on their tour of the continent. They were accompanied by Mr. C. W. Newberry, who is the secretary of the Comite de Montcalm.

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Special Prizes. Besides the prizes, whose winners will be found in the list printed below, several prizes were given to exhibitors not on the list, which were of special merit.

Decorated Dinner Table. The decorated dinner table, which was arranged to sit four persons, was a very beautiful one.

Exchange A. By computing the exchange rate, the company for the extension of the railway has been made up.

Alberni

PAST PRESENT AND FUTURE

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ALBERNI

THE old order changeth and giveth place to the new." The old, old law is being exemplified in very rapid fashion lately on Vancouver island in general, and not the least so in Alberni. A few years ago Alberni was regarded by those who took the trouble to think about it at all as an out-of-the-way little country settlement and few visitors thought it worth their while to undertake a journey to it, unless it might be a party of sportsmen looking for virgin hunting ground. But the occasional visitor who came and saw, whatever might be his or her ideas concerning the remoteness or otherwise of Alberni's future greatness as a commercial and agricultural centre, invariably went away from it impressed with its natural loveliness and infected with its peculiar charm, which has ever given it a character and individuality different from the other settlements on the island.

Getting into Alberni until recently meant a long stage drive behind indifferent horses, or a day's sea voyage in not the most comfortable and rapid of ocean-going vessels. It was somewhat of an adventure to the ordinary traveler; he might find himself compelled against his will to spend long hours in the silent woods trying to keep himself warm while the driver of His Majesty's Mail tried various expedients to induce a baulky horse to resume its progress over "the mountain" or walked in to the town a few miles more or less to get relays to help pull the stage through the snow that was all too apt in the winter time to fall thick on the summit between trips, and to catch him with a heavy load too much for the strength of the cattle.

The wild beauty of the overland route was there, as it is today, but such contempts as this were all too frequent, and it needed a certain amount of hardihood to take the trip in winter.

Now all this is changed, the word of a great corporation went forth, the C. P. R. saw the natural wealth of the district, the timber alone was a forest of wealth, the mountains were proved to contain vast store of mineral, the valley was one of great agricultural possibilities, the situation was one of great geographical importance, the commerce of the whole country with the Orient was growing by leaps and bounds, and the advantages of Alberni as a sea port were apparent to everyone who studied them; the railway had to come, and will soon now be an accomplished fact. Alberni the old will lose something of its old-time romantic character but it had to be, "the old order changeth and giveth place to the new," the march of progress cannot be stayed, and the little community of struggling pioneers, who originally looked upon the country and saw that it was good, and had the courage of their convictions, are coming into their own, and a city is in the making that is speedily going to develop into one of the big cities of the Pacific coast.

Optimists ever, even in the days when "they could not give their land away," the Alberni folk have seen their optimism justified and can afford to smile now as they look back on days of early struggle and hardship, lightened as they were by the good-fellowship and social ties of their little clan. Such is the magic of the steel rail. Shrewd business men have been getting in "on the ground floor," for, with the coming of the iron horse, the future of this region is assured. The friendly rivalry of the "Old" and the "New" town will soon be a thing of the past. The Old town, situated on the bank of the river a mile or two above the navigable head of Alberni canal, and the New town on the salt water where the railway will have its terminus and the largest steamers can berth, will soon be linked by a chain of buildings stretching along the waterfront for more than a mere mile or so. The motor car has made the trip through some of the pick of Island scenery and also some of the pick of Island timber,—the finest left on the Pacific coast,—a quick and pleasurable undertaking for the most delicate, and the place offers new attractions to everyone, the business man and the investor no less than the sportsman, who here will find a perfect Eldorado, and the tourist and artist and in fine every lover of majestic and varied scenery on land and water.

It is easy to be enthusiastic about the future of this place for those who know it, and who have long realized that all it needed was transportation facilities, and the newcomer is quite easily convinced for reasons that must be obvious to those on the spot.

Before many years are over our heads there is going to be more than one town on the west coast, but Alberni will be the first and probably always the biggest, being as it is so centrally situated and within such easy distance

of the east coast also. Financial panic in the world's big markets may cause a temporary set-back, but the world is progressive and the world is smaller than it used to be and the parts of it are becoming better known to each other. Capital is beginning to realize the great attractions that Vancouver island has to offer; it wants its timber, it wants its agricultural produce, it wants its minerals and it wants them now just as soon as it can get them opened up. The trade with the awakened east is growing in importance every day, time is getting more and more an object to the traveler and the merchant, the All-Red route grows nearer and nearer to the goal of realization, and less and less to be a dream of great-thinking, patriotic minds, and the shortening of that route by a day or even a few hours will make a mighty difference.

Natural wealth, geographical situation, unrivalled harbourage for any sized vessels, proximity to abundance of coal, apart from other minor commercial advantages and the magnificent attractions it offers to the tourist and the sportsman cannot fail to make Alberni one of the great coast cities of the near future.

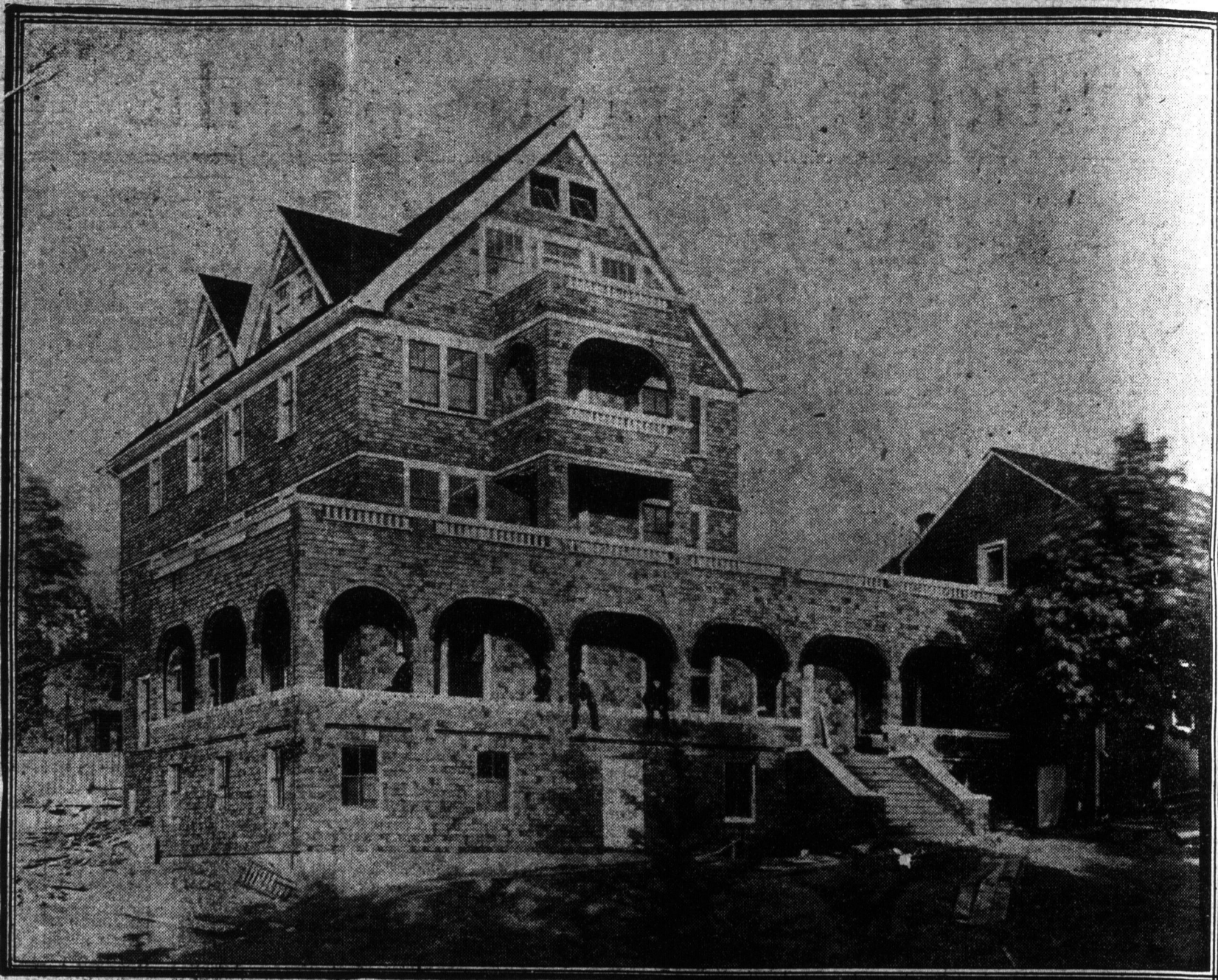
That Alberni has a peculiar charm of its own, none, who have ever been there in the good old summer time, would ever be likely to dispute. Its situation at the head of the long arm of the sea, which winds through steep wooded mountains into the heart of the island, until it gives place to a wide fertile valley, where good soil and a genial climate combine to yield a liberal reward to the industrious farmer, who is not afraid to put his own hand to the axe and plough, bordered on the one side by the Beaufort range, and branching off into smaller valleys on the other, enclosing great lakes of surpassing loveliness, tempting places to the sportsman and the artist, and surrounded by vast tracts of giant timber, foreground of blue waters and green herbage, background of great snow-capped mountains, guarding the secret treasures of their mistress Nature, no wonder that the pioneers of Alberni looked upon the country and saw that it was good. No wonder they could see beyond the years of toil, inseparable from the conquest of the virgin forest and the want for a time of modern means of quick transportation to afford a market for the result of their labors, and the natural wealth of their chosen land of promise.

The scenery of Alberni district is unique, even for this province, and as undoubtedly the physical characteristics of a country, as much as its climate, have a great influence in moulding the character of its inhabitants, so it comes about that the settlement has long been famous for its bon camaraderie and its cheerful optimism.

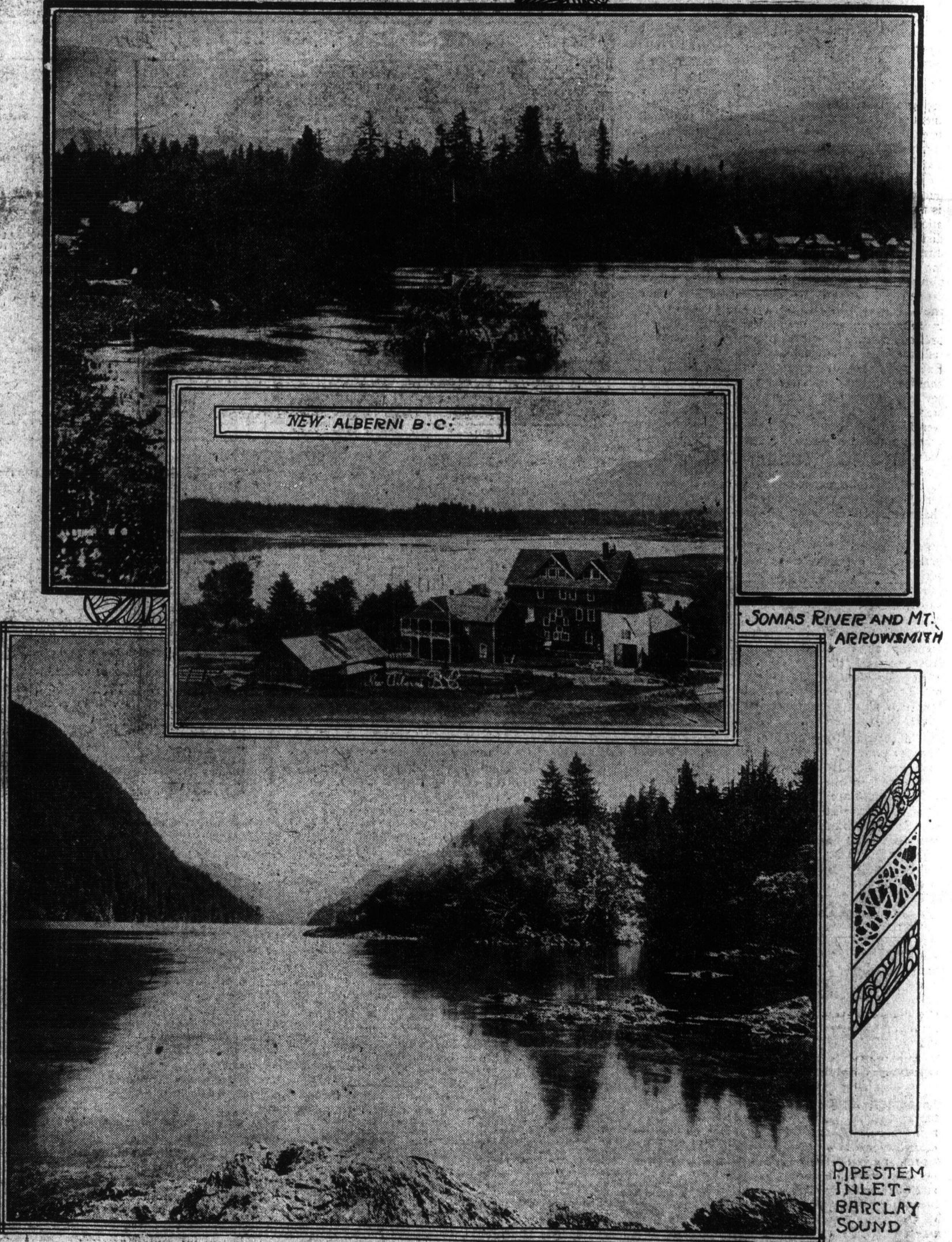
The charm and romance of the old world and the charm and romance of the new world are very different. Each has much to offer in its own way but the ways are very different. It is not the Bay of Naples of which they say "See the Bay of Naples and die." I have seen the Bay of Naples, and can be thankful that I still lived to see Alberni, its harbor, its mountains, its wide luxuriant valley and its cool transparent lakes. Naples is magnificent, and the sight of Vesuvius with the recollection of its terrible history is awe-inspiring; but the average Neapolitan is dirty, and his bay when I saw it was none too clean; the boatload of seedy musicians, twanging guitars and mandolins, not forgetting at frequent intervals to hold out the inverted umbrella for the coppers of some ocean liner's passengers, loses picturesque by comparison with the silent canoe-load of British Columbia's aborigines, and Mt. Arrowsmith, magnificent as Vesuvius, has none of the latter's cruel horrors to its discredit.

Commercialism is to the fore in these days. "We cannot live on scenery," is the common remark of the business man "who is not here for his health." True enough as far as it goes but labor is lightened by beautiful and healthful surroundings, and the business man who locates in Alberni, and there will be many of them in the near future, will find there abundant recreation ready to his hand, side by side with abundant opportunity for the exercise of his business capacity, for Alberni, from being a peaceful little hamlet is going to become a mighty city. Commercial depression, which has disturbed the money-centres of the world is passing, the wise men are coming out of the east, wise because they are leaving the east to bring their capital and energies to the west, where opportunity is knocking at the door.

There are no less than five or six ship yards in Victoria and this is becoming our most important industry. It is only natural considering the large extent of sea coast Canada has on the Pacific and the ever increasing carrying trade to all parts of the world, particularly to the Orient, the more and larger ships must be built in the future than in the past, and that the repairing and refitting alone, must become an immense business.



HOTEL THOMAS'S NEW ALBERNI B.C.



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JOMAS RIVER AND MT. ARROWSMITH

PIPESTEM INLET - BARCLAY SOUND

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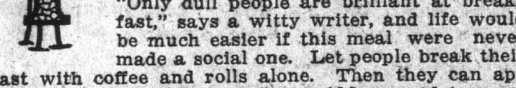
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Domestic Fancies and Home Circles

THE ART OF SMALL TALK

"As is common for the younger sort to lack discretion" —Shakespeare.



It is the greatest mistake in the world to suppose that any fool can command small talk. Small talk worthy of the name requires a certain amount of tact and discretion...

skirts, linens, cotton frocks, and anything in the shape of lingerie frocks. In one way Frenchwomen can teach us a very good lesson.

A great revolution has taken place in the last few years in the matter of bathing costumes. At one time smart and pretty dresses only to be seen in France and America...

It is not becoming to have a bathing costume made with too short a tunic skirt. A simple, yet charming model comprises a blouse and tunic and knickerbockers...

and three little sprigs of tarragon, and place in the centre of each a small radish.

Luxette Pures For six to eight people, take half the contents of a jar of luxette, and mix with it half a gill of strained gravy...

Filets de Sole au Vin Blanc Note—As sole is unobtainable here, flounders would have to be substituted.

White Wine Sauce Chop up the bones and put them with the trimmings from the flounder in a perfectly clean steppan...

Bavaroise a la Rubanis Take one pint of good freshly-made strong tea, put into a clean steppan, in the bain marie, and dissolve in it...

POT-POURRI Among the prettiest and most fashionable presents in evidence just now are dainty boxes of many forms...

Place these on a well buttered saute pan, sprinkle with a little lemon juice, add two or three tablespoonfuls of cold water...

Put into another steppan 1-2 ounce of flour, and mix with 2-3 ounces of sugar, and fry together without browning...

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Here is the recipe for the Jelly For one quart of jelly peel four lemons very thin, then cut them in halves, squeeze out the juice into a steppan...

Croutes a la Finnoise Take some little rings of toasted bread, cut out quarter of an inch thick and two inches wide, steep them in warm butter...

Mustard Cheese Cream Put into a steppan 2 ozs. of finely sliced Cheddar cheese of Gruyere cheese...

Spun Sugar Hair a pound of cane sugar to 1/2 pint of water. Boil to the crack line, when the sugar presents a bubbly appearance on the top...

been chosen, all "wreaths and ribbons" instead of the dignified yet bold "Jacobean Linen" which looks so like old needlework.

It is the beauty of the hands should receive the attention of all women who take a pride in themselves, as nothing marks the refined woman so much as the white and shapely hand.

Before going out of doors repeat this part of the treatment, and finally dry off with violet talcum powder.

BEAUTY HINTS

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The following is a very good method of treatment. At night wash the hands with soap and water, to which a cup of milk has been added.

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THE HOUSE BEAUTIFUL

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POETICAL CLIPPINGS

From Shadow to Sunshine I learn, as the years roll onward, That much I have counted sorrow...

The clouds but cover the sunshine They mean to keep the sun bright And the earth shines out the brighter...

Count Zeppelin has traveled very swiftly and in time. From early morning on her way from Lake...

It is reported that the heat are injuring the greater part of the crop, and that the wheat will be very low in yield...

INFLUENCE OF HOME LIFE

Patriotism, self-sacrifice, noble ambition, are these wanting in the youth of the present generation? It is thought so by many...

MARRIED

Marriage they say is the topic of the day and hour. A topic that is, in fact, the most important of marriages.

Yet marriage and its probable consequences are a bit out of favor just now. Eligibles are scarce, though the number of bachelors increases.

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FASHION IN FOOD

The following menu is composed of the newest and most called for dishes of the present London season.

Monsieur du Diner Luxette a la St. James Consomme a la Toledo Filets de Sole au Vin Blanc

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