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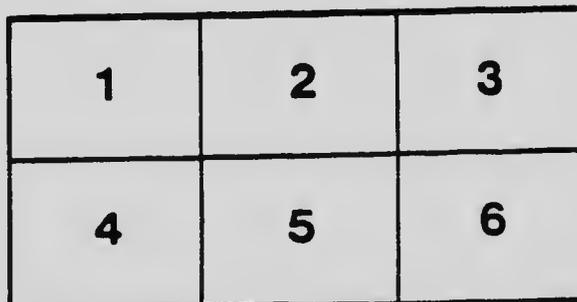
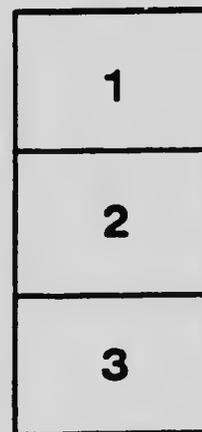
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RETAIN THE COURT HOUSE SQUARE

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OF VANCOUVER.



F. NOEL BURCH—ILL.

RETAIN THE COURT HOUSE SQUARE

On the 20th day of July the Art Historical and Scientific Association of Vancouver addressed a circular letter to a number of representative organizations in the city, asking their views with regard to the proposed retention of the old Court House Square for public purposes. This was followed by other circulars from the Association to the same effect. A great many replies were received and all the organizations appealed to strongly favored the project, in nearly every case by unanimous resolutions. As it is important that these resolutions should be placed before the public in convenient form, the Art Historical Association decided to print the original circular letter with the various replies received up to date. The list is not complete as further resolutions are being adopted and sent to the Association almost daily.

November 30th, 1908.

F. C. WADE,
President A. H. and S. Association.

H. J. DeFOREST,
Secretary.

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RETAIN THE COURT HOUSE SQUARE.

ART, HISTORICAL AND SCIENTIFIC ASSOCIATION.

Vancouver, B. C., July 20, 1908.

Dear Sir:—

For some time past the Art, Historical and Scientific Association has advocated the erection of a memorial building in honor of the two great discoverers, Captain James Cook and Captain Vancouver, the building to be used as a Museum and Art Gallery. As soon as the new Court House, now in course of erection, is completed, the old Court House building will become vacant. It is felt by a great many citizens that an opportunity is now presented to secure the old Court House square and building for the city, rather than have it sold for business property. Owing to its central position, the building is peculiarly adapted for a museum and picture gallery. It has also been suggested that a publicity bureau could be housed in the building, while at the same time it could be used for public meetings, and as headquarters for all societies working in the city's interest.

The great importance of securing the old City Hall square, a beautiful piece of park-like verdure, for a breathing space in the very centre of the city, is also fully realized.

At a recent meeting of the Vancouver City Council, the Provincial Government was unanimously memorialized by resolution "to convey to the Corporation of the City of Vancouver the land and building at the corner of Hastings and Cambie Streets, used as a Court House."

On the 25th of June, the Art, Historical and Scientific Association unanimously resolved as follows:—"That the Province be respectfully requested to convey to the City of Vancouver for Art, Historical, Scientific, Museum and other public purposes, the old Court House and grounds, situate on Hastings Street, and that a copy of this resolution be sent to the Premier and members of the Legislature; that a copy of the above resolution, along with a resolution passed by the City Council, be printed and circulated among the different associations of the City."

The many arguments of a practical nature which can be advanced in favor of taking such a step in the interests of the city are too obvious to require discussion. The Directors of the Art, Historical and Scientific Association feel that no apology is necessary for bringing this important matter to the attention of your society, and beg to suggest the advisability of your society passing a resolution supporting the project. They will be very glad also to forward your resolution to the proper authorities should you see fit to entrust it to them for that purpose.

On behalf of the Art, Historical and Scientific Association,

F. C. WADE,

President.

H. J. De FOREST,

Secretary.

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REPLIES.

BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES.

Your communication of the 20th inst. duly received, and I am directed to inform you that a resolution was passed by the Board endorsing your resolution, "That the Province be respectfully requested to convey to the City of Vancouver for art, historical, scientific, museum and other public purposes, the old Court House grounds, situate on Hastings Street."

Yours faithfully,
C. W. MURRAY,
Secretary.

VANCOUVER PROPERTY OWNERS' ASSOCIATION.

Vancouver, B. C., August 21st, 1908.

RE COURT HOUSE SITE.

Replying to your circular letter of July 20th, I beg to state that at the general meeting of this association, held yesterday, your letter was considered, and the following resolution was unanimously passed:

"That the Province of British Columbia be respectfully requested to convey to the City of Vancouver, for public purposes, the old Court House and grounds, situate on Hastings Street," and that a copy of this resolution be sent to the Vancouver City Clerk, to be forwarded to the Premier and Members of the Legislature. I trust this will meet your views.

Yours faithfully,
ALEX. N. TREGENT,
Secretary.

TRADES AND LABOR COUNCIL.

Vancouver, B. C., August 12th, 1908.

At the last meeting of this council a motion was passed that this body petition the Provincial Government to convey to the City of Vancouver, for museum and other purposes, the old Court House and grounds. I remain,

Respectfully,
H. COWAN,
Secretary.

VANCOUVER EXHIBITION ASSOCIATION.

The Exhibition Association of Vancouver acknowledges the receipt of your favor of the 11th inst., re the securing by your Association of the old Court House property for museum purposes.

This Association is heartily in accord with the suggestion, as was unanimously expressed at our meeting last evening, and will lend its best assistance for the accomplishment of that end.

In connection with the museum, when so established, a permanent exhibit of the products of this great Province of ours might be maintained, the good results of which it would be difficult to estimate.

Wishing you every success in your laudable undertaking,

Yours faithfully,
VANCOUVER EXHIBITION ASSOCIATION.
By John I. Miller, President.
J. G. Elliott, Acting Secretary.

VANCOUVER TYPOGRAPHICAL UNION NO 226.

Vanconver, September 21st, 1908.

Your communication re securing the old Court House site for the city was brought up at the regular meeting of Typo. Union No. 226, and a resolution was passed unanimously endorsing the action of the Art, Historical and Scientific Association along the lines mentioned.

Respectfully,

H. C. BENSON,
Sec.-Treas. No. 226.

VANCOUVER PRINTING PRESSMEN'S UNION NO. 69.

I am directed by this body to transmit to you the following resolution, unanimously carried at its last meeting on October 2nd:

"Resolved, That Vancouver Printing Pressmen's Union No. 69 heartily endorse the project undertaken by the Art, Historical and Scientific Association, of securing the present Court House building for the purposes of a museum, aquarium and other objects calculated to advance the educational interests of the citizens of Vancouver, and also the grounds as an open-air space for the benefit of the whole people for all time. I am, sir,

Yours faithfully,

FRANK P. LACEY,
Sec.-Treas. V. P. P. U. No. 69.

VANCOUVER WOMAN'S MUSICAL CLUB.

Vanconver, B. C., August 23rd, 1908.

We beg to inform you that at a meeting of the executive of the Woman's Musical Club of Vancouver, held on the 19th inst., the resolution passed on the 25th of June by the Art, Historical and Scientific Association, "That the Province be respectfully requested to convey to the City of Vancouver, for art, historical, scientific, museum and other purposes, the old Court House and grounds, situate on Hastings Street," was unanimously endorsed.

On behalf of the Woman's Musical Club.

ELEANOR DALLAS PETER,
President.

CATHERINE HARRISON,
Secretary-Treasurer.

JUVENILE PROTECTION ASSOCIATION OF B. C.

Vanconver, B. C., September 16th, 1908.

At a general meeting of the above association, held September 15th, it was unanimously resolved:

"That this meeting of the Juvenile Protection Association heartily and unanimously endorses the resolution of the Art, Historical and Scientific Association which has just been put before it. That the Province be respectfully requested to convey to the City of Vancouver for art, historical and scientific museum and other purposes, the old Court House and grounds, situate on Hastings Street, and that a copy of this resolution be sent the Art, Historical and Scientific Association."

Very respectfully yours,

GEORGE H. HEALEY,
Secretary.

THE CANADIAN CLUB, VANCOUVER.

Vancouver, B. C., November 7th, 1908.

I beg to advise you that at the Annual Meeting of the Canadian Club, held Tuesday, November 3rd, 1908, the following resolution was proposed and passed:

"That the Canadian Club heartily endorses the movement inaugurated by the Art, Historical and Scientific Association looking to the transfer by the Provincial Government to the City of Vancouver, of the property known as the Court House Square."

Yours truly,

D. Von CRAMER,
Secretary.

STUDIO CLUB.

Vancouver, B. C., September 29th, 1908.

At a meeting of the Vancouver Studio Club, specially convened to consider a circular letter from the Art, Historical and Scientific Association dated July 20th, 1908, calling attention to the desirability of the Provincial Government conveying to the Corporation of the City of Vancouver the land and building of the present Court House for art, historical, scientific, museum and other public purposes, it was unanimously resolved to join in the request of the A. H. & S. A. to memorialize the Government to convey to the City of Vancouver the old Court House and grounds for the purposes set forth.

ROSAMOND RUSSELL, Secretary.
H. ABBOTT, President.

BUILDING TRADES DEPARTMENT AMERICAN FEDERATION OF LABOR

Vancouver, B. C., August 8th, 1908.

Your communication under date of August 1st, 1908, was duly received and contents carefully noted, and I have been instructed to inform you that our council was pleased to endorse both resolutions contained therein and have pledged themselves to give the project their hearty support.

I trust that the Province will be pleased to comply with the request as set forth in the resolutions contained in your communication.

Yours respectfully,

GEO. W. WILLIAMS,
Secretary.

AMALGAMATED SOCIETY OF CARPENTERS AND JOINERS.
Vancouver First Branch No. 843.

Vancouver, B. C., August 6th, 1908.

Your communication re the old Court House was laid before the members of the above branch at their last regular meeting, and it was resolved that the above branch of the Amalgamated Society of Carpenters and Joiners unanimously endorse the resolution of the Art, Historical and Scientific Association, "That the Province be respectfully requested to convey to the City of Vancouver, for art, historical, scientific, museum and other public purposes, the old Court House and grounds situate on Hastings Street."

Yours respectfully,

D. HENDERSON.

**AMALGAMATED SOCIETY OF CARPENTERS AND JOINERS.
Vancouver Second Branch, No. 844.**

Vancouver, B. C., August 12th, 1908.

I have the pleasure to inform you that the Vancouver Second Branch of the above society unanimously passed a resolution endorsing the resolution of the Art, Historical and Scientific Association requesting the Province to convey to the City of Vancouver, for the purposes of a museum, etc., the old Court House and grounds.

On behalf of the Vancouver Second Branch of A. S. of C. & J.,
GEO. F. READ,
Secretary.

**AMALGAMATED SOCIETY OF CARPENTERS AND JOINERS
Vancouver Third Branch No. 7**

September 29th, 1908.

Your communication of 11th inst. was dealt with at our last meeting, Monday, 28th inst. It was unanimously endorsed that we support the action of the Art, Historical and Scientific Association re the retention of the old Court House Square and building, and sincerely hope you will be successful in your object. I remain,

Yours sincerely,

WM. HORSBURGH.
Recording Secretary.

**UNITED BROTHERHOOD OF CARPENTERS AND JOINERS OF AMERICA
Vancouver Union No. 617.**

Vancouver, B. C., August 19th, 1908.

Resolutions submitted to our local by your society for support were unanimously endorsed at our last regular meeting.

SUMNER O'BRIEN,
Secretary Local 617.

BRICKLAYERS' AND MASONS' INTERNATIONAL UNION NO. 1.

Vancouver, B. C., September 1st, 1908.

The members of the above body fully endorse your resolution of June 25th in regard to the old Court House. Hoping your association is successful in its efforts to secure this building for the public and the square for a breathing place, I am,

Yours sincerely,
F. HOPKINSON,
Recording Secretary.

LOCAL UNION NO. 89 OF THE OPERATIVE PLASTERERS' INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF THE UNITED STATES AND CANADA.

Vancouver, B. C., September 16th, 1908.

At the meeting of this association, held on above date, it was unauimously resolved to petition the Province to convey to the City of Vancouver, for art, historical and scientific purposes, the building and grounds situate at the corner of Cambie and Hastings Streets, now used as a Court House.

And that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to you for presentation to the proper authorities.

W. A. PARSONS,
Secretary.

INTERNATIONAL BROTHERHOOD OF BOOKBINDERS.
Local Union No. 105.

Vancouver, B. C., September 2nd, 1908.

Enclosed please find copy of resolution carried unanimously at a meeting of the above union held on September 1st, 1908. I am instructed by our membership to forward same to you, trusting your society will see that it reaches the proper authorities to be dealt with. Thanking you in the anticipation that this request will be fulfilled, I am,

Respectfully yours,
GEO. MOWAT,
Secretary.

At the last meeting of the above union, held on September 1st, 1908, the following resolution was carried unanimously:

"We, the members of Local Union 105, I. B. of B., are entirely in sympathy with any project towards getting the old Court House and grounds, situated on Hastings Street, conveyed to the City of Vancouver for art, historical, scientific, museum and other public purposes." We are,

Yours respectfully,
R. G. FUGLER, President.
GEO. MOWAT, Secretary.

AMALGAMATED SHEET METAL WORKERS UNION.
No. 280 International Alliance.

Vancouver, B. C., October 10th, 1908.

Your circular of September 11th to hand. At a meeting of the Sheet Metal Workers No. 280 of Vancouver, B. C., held on September 21st, it was resolved to support your association in their endeavor to retain the old Court House for the use of the public.

I have the honor to be,

Yours respectfully,
JOSEPH P. HAMILTON,
Financial Secretary Sheet Metal Workers.

**BROTHERHOOD OF PAINTERS, DECORATORS AND PAPERHANGERS
OF AMERICA, UNION NO. 138.**

Vancouver, B. C., September 16th, 1908.

Your circular letter of August 1st is received.

The members of the above local union unanimously endorse your action regarding the old Court House building and site.

Sincerely yours,
DUNCAN CAMPBELL,
Recording Secretary.

JOURNEYMEN TAILORS UNION OF AMERICA.

Vancouver, B. C., August 28th, 1908.

I have pleasure in informing you that your communication of the 5th, re granting of old Court House by the Provincial Government to the City of Vancouver for museum, was duly laid before our society at its last regular meeting, held August 27th, 1908; and a resolution heartily endorsing the proposition was unanimously adopted.

Yours obediently,
F. WILLIAMS,
Secretary.

**AMALGAMATED ASSOCIATION OF STREET AND ELECTRIC RAILWAY
EMPLOYEES OF AMERICA.**

Pioneer Division No. 101.

Vancouver, B. C., November 28, 1908.

I am instructed by this Division to notify you of the following resolution passed at our last meeting:

"Whereas, the Art, Historical and Scientific Association is petitioning the Provincial Government to give the City of Vancouver the old Court House and grounds, and are requesting the different societies and organizations to co-operate with them in their effort; and,

"Whereas, we believe that there is not enough breathing space left in our City, and that the efforts of the Art, Historical and Scientific Association to obtain this site for the purpose of both pleasure and education is nothing more than justice to the citizens of Vancouver;

"Therefore, Be It Resolved that Pioneer Division No. 101, of the Amalgamated Association of Street and Electric Railway Employees of America, is heartily in favor of having the old Court House retained as a museum and the grounds for recreation, after they have been abandoned as the seat of justice; and we do hereby co-operate with the Art, Historical and Scientific Association in petitioning the Provincial Government to place at the disposal of the City of Vancouver the old Court House and grounds for the aforesaid purpose.

Yours faithfully,

W. W. BURROUGH.

Recording Secretary Pioneer Division No. 101.

BROTHERHOOD OF RAILWAY CARMEN OF AMERICA.

Lodge No. 58.

Vancouver, B. C., August 4th, 1908.

I beg to inform you that at our last regular meeting, held in Labor Hall on August 3rd, it was moved and seconded that Lodge No. 58, B. R. C. of A., endorse the project as set forth in your communication.

Yours truly,

THOS. P. JOYCE,

Recording Secretary.

BUILDERS' LABORERS OF VANCOUVER.

Vancouver, B. C., August 27th, 1908.

Your circular letter of August 5th received and read before the meeting of August 25th. In reply I may state that this union is perfectly in accord with the scheme mentioned and wishes your association every success in their endeavors. We also passed the following resolution:

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Resolved, that we heartily endorse the action of the Art, Historical and Scientific Association in their endeavors to procure for the citizens of Vancouver from the Provincial Government, the site and building now known as the old Court House, to be used as an art gallery and museum, etc., for the benefit of the public.

Yours, etc.,

GEO. E. PAYNE,

Secretary.

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G. M. COGHILL,
Business Agent, Local 170.

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INTERNATIONAL BROTHERHOOD OF ELECTRICAL WORKERS.
Local Union No. 621 of Vancouver, B. C.

Vancouver, B. C., September 24th, 1908.

In answer to yours of September 11th re old Court House square and building, I am pleased to say that at the last regular meeting, L. W. 621, I. B. E. W., voted in favor of the city keeping the same as a public museum and park. Hoping this will be satisfactory to you and with best wishes, I am.

Yours sincerely,

E. PEEL,
Recording Secretary.

QUARRY WORKERS' UNION.

Vancouver, September 20th, 1908.

I am in receipt of your kind favor of the 5th inst., and in reply wish to say that at our last meeting your circular was brought before the branch and the following motion passed:

"Moved by Bro. Healy, seconded by Bro. Bernard, that this branch endorse the action already taken by the Art, Historical and Scientific Association and that a copy of this resolution be forwarded." Carried unanimously.

ADAM W. FOX,
Secretary-Treasurer.

PATTERN MAKERS ASSOCIATION.

Vancouver, B. C., August 26th, 1908.

Your communication dated August 5th regarding the action taken by the Art, Historical and Scientific Association to request the Province to convey to the City of Vancouver for public purposes the old Court House and grounds, was duly received by this Association.

It was resolved unanimously that we, the Pattern Makers of Vancouver and vicinity, support the action taken by the Art, Historical and Scientific Association.

J. McCOLL,
Secretary.

**LOCAL UNION NO 170 OF THE UNITED ASSOCIATION OF JOURNEY-
MEN, PLUMBERS, GAS FITTERS, STEAM FITTERS AND
STEAM FITTER'S HELPERS OF THE
UNITED STATES AND CANADA.**

Vancouver, B. C., September 19th, 1908.

Your letter of September 11th to hand. Local Union 170 of Plumbers, Steamfitters and Gas Fitters took action in regard to the Art, Historical and Scientific Association urging on the Government to turn the old Court House square and building over to this association for the benefit of the public of Vancouver. Our local wishes to go on record in favor of the same, as the old Court House would make an ideal spot for this kind of work.

Trusting this letter will have some effect on all interested in this work, I beg to remain.

G. M. COGHILL,
Business Agent, Local 170.

UNITED GARMENT WORKERS OF AMERICA.
Local Union 160.

I beg to submit the following resolution, as it stands in our minute book of August 13th, 1908:

“Resolution adopted re conveying of the old Court House site to City for an Art, Historical, Scientific and Museum building.”

Yours respectfully,

A. WADDINGTON,
President.

CIGARMAKERS' UNION NO. 357.

Vancouver, B. C., October 17th, 1908.

The Cigarmakers at their regular meeting heartily endorsed the project of the Art, Historical and Scientific Society to secure the old Court House square for a museum.

Yours respectfully,

J. K. PENSER,
Financial Secretary Union 357.

INTERNATIONAL BROTHERHOOD OF BOILER MAKERS, IRON SHIP BUILDERS AND HELPERS OF AMERICA.

Vancouver, B. C., August 22nd, 1908.

The members of this organization heartily endorse the resolution passed by the Art, Historical and Scientific Association re acquiring the old Court House and grounds for purposes stated.

Yours truly,

A. FRASER,
Secretary.

FEDERATED ASSOCIATION OF LETTER CARRIERS.

Vancouver, B. C., September 18th, 1908.

Your first letter arrived while I was out of town, and no meeting was held in August, but at the meeting this month a resolution was passed in favor of your proposition re old Court House and grounds, thereby keeping one breathing space (although a small one) in the business part of the city.

Yours respectfully,

G. P. CARR,
Secretary Vancouver Branch No. 12, F. A. L. C.

LOCAL UNITED FEDERAL UNION NO. 23 UNDER TRADES AND LABOR CONGRESS.

Vancouver, B. C., September 16th, 1908.

At the regular meeting of our union last night, I read your communication of September 11th, 1908, re the securing of the old Court House for your association, and it was unanimously decided that we support you in this movement so far as it lies in our power.

Please find enclosed copy of said resolution.

Yours sincerely,

J. GOWLER,
Secretary Federal Union No. 23.

At a meeting of Federal Union No. 23 held tonight, it was unanimously resolved: “That the Province be respectfully requested to present to the City of Vancouver, for art, historical, scientific, museum and other purposes, the property situated at the corner of Cambie and Hastings Street and now used as the Court House.”

MUSICIANS' MUTUAL PROTECTIVE UNION.
Local No. 145 A. F. of M.

Vancouver, B. C., September 16th, 1908.

At a meeting of the above society, your circular letter was read. It was moved and seconded and carried unanimously that the secretary inform you that we heartily endorse your action, re the old Court House, and we sincerely hope that the Government will be able to see its way clear to grant us the retention of the old Court House and grounds for the purpose stated in your letter.

Yours sincerely,
H. W. BENSON,
Secretary.

CASTLE HALL OF VANCOUVER LODGE NO. 3, KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS.

Vancouver, B. C., July 22nd, 1908.

Whereas, The City of Vancouver and people generally are greatly in need of a breathing spot in the heart of the city, and in the hurried building up of our great city the idea of a green spot in the business section was lost sight of; and,

Whereas, A museum where can be stored up the relics, etc., around about the Province that find their way to Vancouver, is highly desirable so they can be kept safe, and continually added to;

Therefore, Be it resolved, That this lodge respectfully petition the Provincial Government to deed to the City of Vancouver for its present and future use, the grounds and building now being used and known as the Court House, situate on Hastings and Cambie Sts.

Moved and adopted this day, July 22nd, 1908.

L. V. EVANS,
K. of R. and S.

INDEPENDENT ORDER OF ODD FELLOWS.
Manchester Unity.

RE OLD COURT HOUSE.

On behalf of the Independent Order of Oddfellows, Manchester Unity, I am instructed to write you that we are most heartily in accord with your views, that this building, instead of being disposed of by the Government in the near future, should be devoted to the public use as a museum, etc., and the grounds as a much needed breathing spot in the heart of the city.

Assuring you of our moral support in the efforts you are making to attain this desirable end, I remain,

Yours faithfully,
ROBT. W. PARTRIDGE,

Acting Prov. Corres. Secy. British Columbia Dist., I.O.O.F., M.U.
ST. ANDREW'S & CALEDONIAN SOCIETY.

Vancouver, B. C., September 24th, 1908.

I beg to advise you that at a recent meeting of the St. Andrews and Caledonian Society, the circular letter of your association was read, and a motion was carried endorsing the resolution regarding retention of the old Court House square and building.

I am, dear sir,

Yours faithfully,
F. J. GAVIN,
Hon. Sec.

SONS OF ENGLAND BENEFIT SOCIETY.
Lodge Wilberforce No. 77.

Vancouver, B. C., August 8th, 1908.

Enclosed please find copy of resolution endorsed and entrusted to you for dispatch to the proper authorities.

"The Honorable Richard McBride, Premier, and Members of the Provincial Legislature:—

"Gentlemen,—At the regular meeting of the above lodge, held on August 3rd, 1908, the following resolution was unanimously supported by the members:

"That the Province be respectfully requested to convey to the City of Vancouver for art, historical, scientific, museum and other public purposes, the old Court House and grounds, situate on Hastings Street, and that a copy of the above resolution be sent to the Premier and Members of the Legislature.

"Given under the seal of the lodge this 8th day of August, 1908."

With sincere wishes for ultimate success, I remain,

Yours truly,

ROBT. HEYWOOD.

WESTERN STAR LODGE NO. 10, I. O. O. F.

Vancouver, B. C., July 30th, 1908.

It gives me pleasure to notify you that this lodge is in favor of the old Court House site and building being retained, if it can possibly be done, by this city as a museum and art gallery, and that anything we can do as individuals we will be more than pleased to do, but that as a lodge we are unable to promise any financial support to the movement.

Yours truly,

A. S. VENN,

Recording Secretary.

COURT LADYSMITH NO. 8929, ANCIENT ORDER OF FORESTERS.

Vancouver, B. C., September 17th, 1908.

At a recent meeting of Court Ladysmith No. 8929, A. O. F., it was unanimously resolved: "That the Province be respectfully requested to convey to the City of Vancouver, for art, historical, scientific, museum and other public purposes, the old Court House and grounds, situate on Hastings Street."

On behalf of Court Ladysmith.

S. H. BARCLAY,

Secretary.

VANCOUVER AERIE NO. 6, FRATERNAL ORDER OF EAGLES.

Vancouver, B. C., October 15th, 1908.

By resolution of the Fraternal Order of Eagles, I beg to state that we not only strongly endorse the acquirement of the old Court House and site for this enobling cause, but will, if future support is essential, give further testimony. I am,

Yours truly,

G. R. SIMPSON,

Secretary.

PACIFIC COUNCIL, R. T. OF T., NO. 4.

Vancouver, B. C., September 18th, 1908.

The Royal Templars of Temperance of Vancouver wish to place themselves on record as being heartily in sympathy with the movement to retain the old Court House square and building for the Provincial enlargement of your work, as we feel it would be one of the best incentives for advancement that the cause of art, history and scientific research in British Columbia could have.

Again assuring you of our hearty support, we are,

Faithfully yours,

M. T. BLACKWELL, S. C.

C. PEACOCK, Rec. Secy.

