

NAVIGABLE WATERS' PROTECTION ACT.

Revised Statutes of Canada, Chapter 115. BRITISH COLUMBIA FISHING & PACKING COMPANY LIMITED, HEREBY GIVES NOTICE that it has under section 7 of the said Act...

WATER NOTICE

DIVERSION AND USE. TAKE NOTICE that Robert M. Currie, whose address is Victoria, B.C., West, Vancouver, B.C., will apply for licence to take and use 20,000 gallons per day of water out of small creek...

LAND ACT. NOTICE OF INTENTION TO APPLY TO LEASE LAND. In the Queen Charlotte Islands, Graham Island Land Recording District of Prince Rupert...

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HORNED OWLS INVADE SOUTH

Victoria Reports Large Numbers and Bounty Being Paid Freely - Pheasants Killed

VICTORIA, Dec. 28.—The plague of great horned owls appears to be getting worse. It is usually every seven years that these birds with prey appear here and play havoc with the game and the poultry.

CANADA PROSPEROUS, RUSSIA IS POOR AND LIKELY TO BE POORER

Western Canada last year shipped 335,500,000 bushels of wheat to the outside world, most of it going to Europe. Russia last year only exported 2,442,000 tons of grain of all kinds, including about 30,000,000 bushels of wheat.

SYNOPSIS OF LAND ACT AMENDMENTS

Vacant, unreserved, surveyed Crown lands, not being timberland, not exceeding 40 acres, may be purchased or leased, the conditions including payment of stampage.

Unsurveyed areas, not exceeding 20 acres, may be leased as homesteads, conditional upon a dwelling being erected in the first year, title being obtainable after residence and improvement conditions are fulfilled and land has been surveyed.

For grazing and industrial purposes areas not exceeding 640 acres may be leased by one person or a company.

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PRaises B.C. TRAPPING PLAN

EDMONTON, Dec. 28.—With the system of registered trap lines in existence in British Columbia, the trappers there are far better off in that province than they are in Alberta.

TIMBER SALE X9581

Sealed Tenders will be received by the Minister of Lands at Victoria, B.C., not later than noon on the 12th day of January, 1928, for the purchase of Licence X9581, to cut 272,000 lineal feet of Cedar poles on an area situated on Lots 923 and 1879, Sewell, Massett Inlet, C.O.I. District.

TIMBER SALE X7004

Sealed Tenders will be received by the District Forester, not later than noon on the 23rd day of December, 1927, for the purchase of Licence X7004, Bernard Cove, Princess Royal Island, C.R. 4, to cut 1,182,000 feet board measure of spruce, cedar, hemlock and Balsam sawlogs.

TIMBER SALE X9590

Sealed Tenders will be received by the District Forester not later than noon on the 15th day of December, 1927, for the purchase of Licence X9590, south shore Draney Inlet, C.B. 2, to cut 875,000 feet board measure of spruce, cedar, hemlock and Balsam sawlogs.

IN THE LETTER BOX

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FISHING BOAT RACE HOODOO

Columbia Last of the Gloucester Fleet to be Victim of the Jinx

MANY CATASTROPHES One After Another Vessels Wrecked and Men on Them Lose Lives

GLOUCESTER, Mass., Dec. 28.—Superstitious fishermen of this old seacoast city are more than ever convinced that a "jinx" has pursued the contenders in the fishermen's races since their inception in 1920.

The Columbia, carrying a crew of 20 under command of Captain Lewis Wharton, sailed for the fishing banks last July, but it was not until this fall that her owners finally abandoned hope for her after an unsuccessful search by coast guard cutters and dories washed ashore at Sable Island had indicated that she had gone down in the terrific storm that lashed the North Atlantic on August 24.

The loss of the Columbia was the worst disaster in the long series of misfortunes which have beset the Gloucester as well as the Canadian contenders in the fishermen's race since 1920, when the International Fishermen's Cup was offered. During the elimination series at Halifax that year to choose the Canadian cup contender, the captain of one of the competing schooners fell overboard and was drowned.

WENT TO HER DOOM. In June, 1921, the Gloucester schooner Esperanto, which had defeated the Delawana to win the international cup, went to her doom in the treacherous surf of Sable Island. It was the schooner Elsie, destined to be the defender of the trophy, that first reached the wrecked Esperanto and took off her crew. Misfortune then befell the Elsie in the second international race series, sailed at Halifax in the fall of 1921. During the second race, while the Elsie was making her best showing, her foremast was carried away.

Gloucester men then built the Puritan as their next contender, but before she was even launched seers of the waterfront knew that she would never race. Her doom was sealed by an old superstition of the sea when one of her hatches overturned. She left the stocks in April, 1922, and two months later was in the "graveyard of the Atlantic," having struck on the northwest bar of Sable Island, almost on the spot where the Esperanto was wrecked.

HENRY FORD HOODOO. But disaster failed to discourage the Gloucester fishermen. Then Henry Ford was built, and an hour after being launched had grounded on a sandbar at the mouth of the Essex River, where he had pounded for a week before she could be pulled off, repaired and made ready for fishing. Entering the 1922 races, the Ford won the first two races, only to have one disallowed by the judges, and then lost the next two and her chances for the trophy to the Canadian schooner, Bluenose. In the last race the Ford was crippled by the Bluenose's foremast. Tragedy then turned on the winner, and the night before the Bluenose was to sail for home one of her crew fell from a deck and was drowned.

IN THE 1922 races, the Elizabeth Howard, one of the prettiest of all the schooners that figured in the fishermen's contests, lost her topmast in one race and barely escaped a collision with a destroyer in another. A year later, in November, 1923, the Elizabeth Howard was lost off Porter's Island, Nova Scotia.

COLUMBIA THE LAST. A group of Gloucester men built the Columbia in 1923 as their next hope in the international races. On her second trip to the Grand Banks that year the Columbia was rammed by a French trawler and narrowly escaped sinking. She was towed to St. Pierre and repaired, but the mishap prevented her from entering the race for the Sir Thomas Lipton trophy, sailed in connection with Gloucester's 300th anniversary celebration.

The Columbia established her supremacy over the rest of the Cape Ann fishing fleet by defeating the Henry Ford in a series of races in 1926. The schooners had been scheduled to meet again this fall, but the Columbia did not return.

On one side we have a tame Seal eleven months old, taught to trust man and regard him as a friend; on the other the clansmen of Scotland out to uphold the valor of their kin. The bear after a walk around for a few days decided to return home, but was chased up a pole carrying high tension wires. Ah, here now is a good excuse for getting that hide. The wires may get broken causing untold damage to the city, therefore the kill must be made. If they had any brains they would have walked away and bruin would have walked home, but Mac had an eye for a boreskin coat for the wife no doubt. It was a pity that it had to be hacked and chopped at until it fell off the pole there to be set on by the gang while Mac stayed aloft until the danger was past and bruin had made for another pole, when the same procedure was gone through and the bear again toppled to the ground.

By now it was so enraged and too wounded to get away so the gang of wise men, now backed off and carefully took a shot at it which put it out of its misery. Yelso has its reward and surely the city fathers will see that Mac is rewarded. I would suggest a public subscription toward a monument to be erected, say by the totem pole, so that tourists may see our brave and ardent hunter and sport as we do it on a same preserve. Thanking you, Mr. Editor, for your space. I remain a lover of animals. THOS. H. ELLIOTT.

SPORT CHAT. The visit to this coast of the Dalhousie University Rugby Football squad for a series of games with the best teams of the two British Columbia cities, Vancouver and Victoria, recalls the fact that the Eastern provinces, especially Nova Scotia, have been prominent in English Rugby circles for many years. As an important military and naval base, Halifax has seen a great deal of the game and its development has been stimulated by the frequent appearances of entire teams made up from various branches of the services and the participation in the games of local teams of star players drawn from the services. The Halifax City Rugby League, since its inception fifty years ago, has been featured by the keen rivalry between the Dalhousie University players and the Wanderers Amateur Athletic Club although there have been occasional entries from garrison units and other clubs.

The college players have to their credit sixteen league championships and Wanderers twelve. The collegians, "Tigers" as they are known locally, made a clean sweep from 1900 to 1909. The Wanderers squad is usually composed largely of players who once starred on the college team. This season the University team succeeded in winning the maritime provinces championship only after a hard struggle against Wanderers with whom four draw games were played in an effort to decide the city championship and the right to meet Caledonians for the maritime title. For this reason an ordinarily short season was long drawn out and the players got more than their share for one season, and there were many broken noses and sprained tendons among the Dalhousians. But all casualties had recovered in time to join their teammates for the B.C. invasion.

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BRITISH COLUMBIA

The Mineral Province of Western Canada To the end of December, 1926.

Has produced Minerals as follows: Placer Gold, \$78,018,548; Lode Gold, \$126,972,318; Silver, \$80,787,003; Lead, \$106,976,442; Copper, \$209,967,068; Zinc, \$50,512,577; Coal and Coke, \$284,599,133; Structural Materials and Miscellaneous Minerals, \$50,175,407; making its mineral production to the end of 1926 show an

AGGREGATE VALUE OF \$988,108,470. PRODUCTION FOR YEAR ENDING DECEMBER, 1926, \$67,188,842

The Mining Laws of this Province are more liberal and the fees lower than those of any other Province in the Dominion, or any colony in the British Empire. Mineral locations are granted to discoverers for nominal fees.

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THE HONORABLE THE MINISTER OF MINES, VICTORIA, BRITISH COLUMBIA.

N.B.—Practically all British Columbia Mineral Properties upon which development work has been done are described in some one of the Annual Reports of the Minister of Mines. Those considering mining investments should refer to such reports. They are available without charge on application to the Department of Mines, Victoria, B.C. Reports of the Geological Survey of Canada, Winch Building, Vancouver, are recommended as valuable sources of information.

Reports covering of the Six Mineral Survey Districts are published separately, and are available on application.

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With that Xmas Money

People often have money given them for Christmas, and hardly know how best to spend it. A Gruen Watch would be a lasting remembrance when many other things would be forgotten. Prices from \$25.00 to \$75.00. A diamond would also be suitable. Prices from \$25.00 to \$250.00.

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OUR GREAT CLOSING out SALE

The power plant continues to be the chief money earner, its surplus to date amounting to \$124,732. The electric light department together with the telephone department both have passed the \$100,000 surplus mark while the waterworks shows a surplus of \$59,730. The deficit for the street railway is \$35,697 despite its surplus of \$4,317 for November.

In the opinion of City Commissioner Mitchell, the city's utilities were never in a healthier condition that at the present time.

VICTORIA BUILDING DOUBLE LAST YEAR OVER THREE MILLION

VICTORIA, Dec. 28.—Nearly \$3,000,000 worth of construction has been carried out or undertaken in Greater Victoria so far this year, as compared with \$1,943,093 in 1926, according to figures issued at the City Hall and from the adjoining municipalities. That is an increase over last year of \$1,056,907, or approximately 145 per cent.

Building permits of the city and surrounding municipalities show that \$3,208,773 in building was undertaken this year, but the permits did not include the commencement on the Panama Pacific Grain Terminals, Ltd., elevator at Odgen Point docks, which will cost approximately \$885,000. Work on this project has progressed to the piling stage. The city's engineers have approved of this stage of the work. The building permit for the elevator will be taken out as soon as all the plans are completed. This may be done before the end of the year.

Dr. Alexander Smith Block Phone 575 DENTIST

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Saskatchewan, the name borne by the great river which rises in the Rockies in Alberta and flows through Saskatchewan and Manitoba into lake Winnipeg, is an Indian word meaning "rapid" or "swift-flowing."