

**St. Regis Cafe****Special Menu, 50c.**

Saturday, Dec. 20

Luncheon 11 a. m. to 2 p. m.  
Dinner 5 p. m. to 7:30.

**Soup.**  
Rice Tomato  
**Fish.**  
Boiled Halibut, Cream Sauce  
**Boiled.**  
Pigs Shanks Spanish  
**Entrées.**  
Breaded Breast of Lamb Tomato Sauce  
Hot Scotch Meat Pie, Creole Sauce  
Minced Corned Beef Hash with Green Peppers  
Asparagus Tips on Toast  
**Roast.**  
Mutton, Pan Gravy  
Beef, Brown Sauce  
Mashed, Boiled or Baked Potatoes  
**Dessert.**  
Tapioca Pudding  
Cream Pie  
Sultana Cake  
Tea and Coffee

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Dinner 3:30 p. m. to 7:30.

**Soup.**  
Beef Broth  
**Fish.**  
Salmon with White Sauce  
Boiled or Fried Halibut  
Black Cod  
**Boiled.**  
Boiled Ham with Vegetables  
**Entrées.**  
Baked Meat Pie  
Fricassee of Lamb with Green Peas  
Baked Sausage with Tomato Sauce  
**Roasts.**  
Roast Beef, Pan Gravy  
Roast Veal with Jelly  
**Vegetables.**  
Mashed Potatoes  
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VICTORIA, Dec. 17.—During the whole of the year 1916, 22,742 applications for the registration of deeds in the Land Registry Offices of the province were disposed of. The combined staffs required to deal with that amount numbered 161 employees. Eleven deeds—or titles to use the correct expression—per man per month was the average.

During the ten months of the present year, ending on October 31 last 24,032 applications were disposed of. It took a combined staff of 89 to deal with them and the average per man per month works out at twenty-seven.

In the first ten months of the present year there is already an increase over the whole of the year 1916 of 1,320 applications disposed of. The staff employed on the whole of the business was seventy-two fewer in number than in 1916. Each of these employees disposed of sixteen more applications per month than was the case in 1916.

**Relies Upon Figures.**

The foregoing comparisons are included in a statement just issued by the Hon. J. W. deB. Farris, attorney-general and minister of labor, dealing with administrative costs involved in the maintenance of land registry offices throughout the province. The attorney-general treats the subject in an exceedingly brief fashion and relies upon his official figures to display the benefits which have attended the general running and reorganization of this branch of his department.

Conditions as they obtained during the last year of the former government's term of office are set against the results obtained during the first ten months of this year's business, and, as will have been observed, the statement is especially concerned with the number of applications for registration of deeds and other legal documents. The table also embraces the size of staff employed in each office during the period covered by the comparison and the monthly number of applications disposed of by each member of the respective staffs.

**Individual Offices.**

Taking the six land registry offices and their business one by one, the attorney-general's tabulated statement discloses the comparison as follows:

Victoria—Applications in 1916, 4,513; for ten months of 1919, 5,318; staff in 1916, 47; in 1919, 21; average per man per month in 1916, 11; in 1919, 27.

Vancouver—Applications in 1916, 7,698; for ten months of 1919, 8,619; staff in 1916, 40; in 1919, 30; average per man per month in 1916, 16; in 1919, 21.

Kamloops—Applications in 1916, 3,220; for ten months of 1919, 3,074; staff in 1916, 25; in 1919, 10; average per man per month in 1916, 10; in 1919, 29.

New Westminster—Applications in 1916, 4,476; for ten months of 1919, 4,651; staff in 1916, 33; in 1919, 15; average per man per month in 1916, 11; in 1919, 28.

Nelson—Applications in 1916, 1,865; for ten months of 1919, 1,535; staff in 1916, 12; in 1919, 8; average per man per month in 1916, 12; in 1919, 22.

Prince Rupert—Applications in 1916, 940; for ten months of 1919, 874; staff in 1916, 4; in 1919, 2; average per man per month in 1916, 19; in 1919, 37.

**Three Offices.**

From the foregoing detailed performance of three individual offices—Victoria, Vancouver and New Westminster—it will be observed that the number of applications disposed of for the first ten months of the present year exceeds the whole of the year 1916, while the three offices named employed sixty-seven fewer of a staff to deal with an excess of 1,901 applications in the shorter period.

The attorney-general also includes in his statement the following statistics of revenue together with salaries compiled to set the percentage of cost of the turnover. During the fiscal year of 1915-16 the total revenue for the land registry offices above named reached \$443,000, with salaries absorbing \$217,000, or a



percentage of cost for revenue earned of 49 per cent.

In 1916-17—the last year of office of the late administration—the revenue reached no more than \$197,000, with salaries amounting to \$157,000, or a percentage rising to 79 per cent. In 1918-19 revenue reached only \$189,245, but salaries dropped to \$117,594, or a percentage of 63.

For seven months of the present fiscal year—1919-20—the revenue already has reached \$181,483 and salaries, under the reorganization, have dropped to \$74,688 for the period, or a percentage of cost not more than 41. In the month of October, as an example of the growing improvement in administrative cost and consequent efficient service, the revenue reached \$41,116 at a salary cost of \$11,793, which equals 28 per cent.

**NOTICE**

Notice is hereby given that an application will be made to the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia at the next session on behalf of the Association of Professional Engineers of British Columbia for a Private Bill to incorporate the said Association, the said Bill to be known as THE BRITISH COLUMBIA ENGINEERING PROFESSION ACT for the purposes of governing and regulating the practice of Civil, Mining, Metallurgical, Mechanical, Electrical and Chemical Engineering in the Province of British Columbia, and the qualification, examination and registration of intending practitioners, the discipline of its members and for the acquiring of real and personal property and the disposal of the same and for the general management of the Association.

Dated at the City of Vancouver, B. C., his 5th day of December, A. D. 1919.  
H. S. TOBIN,  
Of the firm of Pattullo & Tobin, Solicitors for the Applicants.

IN PROBATE.  
IN THE SUPREME COURT OF BRITISH COLUMBIA.  
IN THE MATTER OF THE "ADMINISTRATION ACT"—and—  
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF PAUL OSA, DECEASED, INTESTATE.

TAKE NOTICE that by Order of His Honour F. McB. Young, made the 19th day of November, A. D. 1919, I was appointed Administrator to the estate of Paul Osa, deceased, and all parties having claims against the said estate are hereby required to furnish same, properly verified, to me, on or before the 29th day of December, A. D. 1919, and all parties indebted to the estate are required to pay the amount of their indebtedness to me forthwith.

J. H. McMILLIN,  
Official Administrator.  
Dated this 29th day of November, 1919.

**LAND ACT**

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO PURCHASE LAND IN QUEEN CHARLOTTE ISLANDS DISTRICT—RECORDING DISTRICT OF SKEENA, AND SITUATE ON THE SHORE OF GRAY BAY MORESBY ISLAND.

TAKE NOTICE that I, Walter Rudge, of Copper Bay, Moresby Island, British Columbia, farmer, intend to apply for permission to purchase one hundred and sixty acres of land bounded as follows: Commencing at this post, thence west 20 chains; thence north 20 chains; thence east 20 chains, more or less to the beach; thence following the beach southerly to point of commencement, and containing 160 acres more or less.

WALTER RUDGE, Locator.  
November 22, 1919.

**LAND ACT**

Notice of Intention to Apply to Lease Lands in Skeena Land District, Recording District of Cassiar, and situate at Alice Arm.

TAKE NOTICE that we, H. R. Fowler and H. F. Kerin, of Alice Arm, occupation mariners, intend to apply for permission to lease the following described foreshore lands:—Commencing at a post planted on east bank of Kitsault River; thence south 20 chains; thence east 80 chains more or less to Illiance River; thence north 20 chains, more or less to the beach; thence following the shore line to point of commencement, and containing 160 acres, more or less.

H. R. FOWLER,  
H. F. KERIN,  
Dated October 11th, 1919.

**LAND ACT**

Notice of Intention to Apply to Lease Land in Queen Charlotte Islands Land District, Recording District of Prince Rupert, and situate at Port Clements, Graham Island.

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GRAHAM ISLAND SPRUCE & CEDAR CO., LIMITED.  
Dated August 12th, 1919.

**LAND ACT**

IN THE SKEENA LAND DISTRICT—DISTRICT OF QUEEN CHARLOTTE ISLANDS. TAKE NOTICE that Thomas B. Strain, of Vancouver, B. C., occupation returned soldier, intends to apply for permission to lease the following described lands:—Commencing at a post planted on the shore on Sewell Inlet about 9 miles distant, and in a westerly direction from the entrance of Sewell Inlet; thence 5 chains south; thence 40 chains east; thence to shore; thence following the shore line to point of commencement and containing 20 acres, more or less.

THOMAS B. STRAIN,  
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