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Usually the day following Christmas brings with it unpleasant recollections of friends who have been inadvertently overlooked in the matter of Christmas gifts. Isn't it fortunate that New Year's Day follows so closely and gives us an opportunity to make amends for our oversights during the Christmas rush. While the past week's shopping made very heavy inroads into our stock, the assortments in each line are practically unbroken. We have a large range of beautiful things for New Year's gifts. CONSULT OUR CATALOGUE.

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**LAND LEASE NOTICES.**

Skeena Land District—District of Coast Range V.  
Take notice that I, Stanley Niven, of Prince Rupert, British Columbia, occupation civil engineer, acting as agent for Porpoise Harbor Land Company, Limited, of Victoria, B. C., intend to apply for permission to lease the following described lands:

Commencing at a post planted on the most northerly point of Lot 501, Range 5, Coast District, on Porpoise Harbor, thence north to Low Water Mark, thence easterly and northerly following Low Water Mark to a point due west of the southwest corner of Lot 446, Range 5, Coast District, thence east to High Water Mark, thence southerly following High Water Mark to a point due east of the most northerly point of Stapleton Island, part of Lot 642, thence west to this point, thence following High Water Mark on west side of Stapleton Island to the most southerly point of Stapleton Island, thence east to the High Water Mark of Lot 642, thence southerly following the High Water Mark to a point due east of the most southerly point of Lot 501, thence south to Low Water Mark, thence following Low Water Mark to a point due south of the most southerly point of Lot 501, thence south to this point, thence northerly and easterly following High Water Mark to the point of commencement.

PORPOISE HARBOR LAND COMPANY, LIMITED.  
Stanley Niven, Agent.  
Dated December 10th, 1912.  
Pub. Dec. 23, 1912—Feb. 17, 1913.

Skeena Land District—District of Coast Range IV.  
Take notice that William J. Moordidge, of Vancouver, B. C., occupation broker, intends to apply for permission to lease the following described lands:

Commencing at a post planted on the shore of Kumekeon Inlet, on Lot No. 187, thence east 30 chains, thence south 30 chains, thence west 30 chains more or less to river bank, thence northerly following river bank and foreshore to point of commencement, containing 60 acres more or less.

WILLIAM J. MOORDIDGE.  
Dated November 15, 1912.  
Pub. Nov. 26, 1912—Jan. 30, 1913.

Notice is hereby given that thirty days after date we intend to apply to the Governor-in-Council for a quit claim deed for the following described foreshore:

Commencing at the northwest corner of Lot 641, Range V, Coast District, British Columbia, thence west seven hundred (700) feet, thence south seven degrees and forty-five minutes west (S. 74.5 W.), six hundred and forty (640) feet, thence east seven hundred (700) feet to high water mark, thence northerly following high water mark to the point of commencement, excepting that portion (included within the above boundaries) covered by the Grand Trunk Pacific right-of-way.

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**NOTICE.**

Take notice that the partnership formerly existing between Albert Matzen and Ernest Diesold in the Eagle restaurant has been dissolved by mutual agreement. All accounts due the firm are now payable to Albert Matzen, who will pay all bills owing by the firm.

ALBERT MATZEN.  
ERNEST DIESOLD.  
Prince Rupert, B. C., January 15, 1913.

**SOCIAL, MORAL AND RELIGIOUS TOPICS OF GENERAL INTEREST**

(Contributed by the Ministerial Association)

NOTE—The "News" does not necessarily endorse all views that may be expressed in these contributions

A sermon preached by the Archbishop of Canterbury in his own cathedral on the last Sunday of the old year draws attention to a grave fault in the character of vast masses of our people. He dwelt on the responsibilities and duties which are attached to the privilege of citizenship in our Empire. "I do not find any epoch in the life-story of any people which can reasonably be regarded as giving an opportunity of Christian service to the world comparable to the opportunity which now belong to the people of our Empire." "No set of happenings in any land whatever can claim more truly to be God's providential orderings and opportunities than can the events of our own day." Referring in detail to the principal occurrences of the past year, such as the war, the strikes, the visit of the King and Queen to India, the agitation for women's suffrage—he deplored the levity and superciliousness on the one hand, and on the other the childish and ignorant precipitancy with which matters of the gravest moment are being handled. He showed how all the great political and social problems of the day came home to us as Christians and must be approached "reverently and Christianly." We must rise "to the call which our living God makes upon us to care adequately and think deliberately about the great happen-

ings wherein, whether we like it or not, we bear a responsible part." He condemned the influence to public life which seems to be on the increase. "I may seem to have been talking about secular things. I honestly do not quite know what that charge would on such an occasion mean. You all remember Archbishop Benson's phrase: 'There is nothing really secular except sin.' If the land we love is to be the better for our doings and sayings and devisings, it must be because, first of all, we are people who are thoroughly persistent in earnest about it all—people who really care."

**Overlapping**

A good deal of attention has been drawn to the plain words of Sir E. B. Osler, at the annual meeting of the Men's Association, St. Anne's, Toronto. Among other points he regretted the "overlapping in church work." He referred particularly to the smaller places in the Western portion of the Dominion and said that one of the greatest hindrances to the growth of the country was this very thing. In a municipality of 500 population, he said, Methodists, Presbyterians, Anglicans and other denominations would all put up churches when only one large church could be afforded, thus starving the people and hindering each other.

**SEVEN TEAMS FROM SEATTLE TO COMPETE**

Bowlers from Over Border Enthusiastic Over Vancouver's Bowling Tourney.

President A. L. Hagar, of the Vancouver Tournament Association, has received assurances from the Seattle bowlers that they are with Vancouver in their fight against the W. B. C. and that they will boost the independent tourney to be staged by Vancouver bowlers from April 7th to 12th in every manner possible. Hagar, who is making a missionary tour of the northern cities of Washington and several of the big towns in California, stopped off long enough in Seattle to have a heart to heart talk with the bowling fraternity and, according to a wire he dispatched to "Father Bob" Cliburn, Seattle will be represented by at least seven teams and probably eight at the tournament. The Seattle Associated Club will send two fives and will make a big effort to have three teams in attendance. Emil Cook will send three teams, while Renton and Anacortes will each be represented by one team.

The Seattle bowlers want to get out along with the Vancouver ten pin smashers and form a new association. They propose to do away with the big prize list offered by the W. B. C. and pay real hard cash for prizes offered. Several prominent Seattle gentlemen put the proposition up to Hagar that when the new association was formed only the entry money be paid in prizes in order to make every tourney a success.

Word is expected from Jimmy McIntyre, who is taking in the Western Canada cities, toward the end of the week. McIntyre and Hagar both started off on their missionary work Saturday night and will be gone about five or six weeks.

**Bout for Jack White.**

Los Angeles, Feb. 7.—Jack White of Chicago may be matched to meet Willie Hoppe, the crack San Francisco lightweight, or some other good boy here about March 1st, if Promoter McCarey can find him a suitable opponent. Hoppe is heavier than White, but the Chicagoan has declared his willingness to meet him. McCarey will offer Hoppe the match.

Thomas Teifer Aitken and Eleanor Kate Booth, both of North Bulkley, were married at St. Peter's Church, Hazelton, on Wednesday, January 29th, Rev. John Field performing the ceremony.

A. C. Aldous, the well-known real estate man of Hazelton, was operated on last Saturday for appendicitis. Latest reports were to the effect that the operation was successful and the patient doing as well as could be expected.

**BOB BROWN SIGNS UP ANOTHER INFIELDER**

Heister of Sacramento, a Very Useful Utility Man for Eli Cates' Shoes.

Vancouver, Feb. 7.—President R. P. Brown, of the Vancouver Baseball Club, has signed up a player of the Sacramento Coast League Club for the Beavers, the player in question being Heister, a utility fielder. Brown for some time past has been looking for a good utility man, and thinks that he has filled Eli Cates' shoes in a very acceptable manner with this latest acquisition.

In 124 games with Sacramento last year Heister batted .245. He was at second base in 34 games for a fielding average of .938; played third in 44 games for an average of .929, and was in the gardens for 44 games for an average of .945.

Work on the grandstand at the new park has been commenced and the Vancouver magnate expects to have one of the nicest little plants in the country ready for the opening game here on April 17th.

**LOCAL NEWS ITEMS**

E. C. Gillingham of the Provincial government assessor's office left yesterday morning on the Prince Rupert on a short holiday vacation to his home in Victoria.

Mrs. Long, wife of J. C. A. Long, civil engineer and surveyor, left yesterday morning for a visit to Victoria. She was accompanied by her brother-in-law, Mr. F. S. Long, who is en route to Calgary, Alberta.

W. R. Love, electrician, was a passenger south yesterday on a business trip to Vancouver and Victoria.

S. Richet, who is heavily interested in Prince Rupert realty, left for the south yesterday morning.

R. O. Jennings and John Manson, of the Provincial road staff, left yesterday on the Prince Rupert to attend a convention of road masters at Victoria next week.

Among the arrivals on Thursday evening's train from the interior were: G. T. Carpenter of Hazelton, A. D. McPhee of Telkwa, and J. W. Patterson of Kit-selas.

A. W. D. Clifford of Kit-selas, one of the old timers of Northern B. C., is in the city on business.

Amongst the arrivals yesterday morning on the Prince John from Stewart were M. B. Jamieson, proprietor of the Northern Hotel, and John Conway, government agent and mining recorder, who is down on official business, and Roy Clothier, a prominent mining man of the Portland Canal district.

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