

New Hazelton Celebrates Won Two Baseball Games Lost the Soft Ball Game

New Hazelton had one of the best celebrations on Tuesday last, May 24, that has marked this holiday in the past twenty years. In spite of the depressed times there was a large gathering of people from many parts of the district. The weather was very good, except the wind was high and naturally very cold, but there were moments between gusts of wind when the sunshine was nice and warm, and that helped a lot to keep the crowd on the field.

The program of sports was rather pretentious under the circumstances, but the events were all keenly contested for, much more so than in years of prosperity. Even the fat man's race brought out four starters. The program of races was started soon after twelve o'clock and everything was kept going in good shape until the soft ball game in the late afternoon which wound up the program for the day and let everyone get away home soon after five o'clock.

Immediately after the field sports there was a ball game between the juvenile teams from Hazelton and New Hazelton. These were the same teams that played a couple of Sundays ago. As expected the youngsters put up a splendid game for seven innings, with the New Hazelton boys coming out on top with a score of 10 to 5 for the Hazelton boys.

The Smithers senior baseball team met the New Hazelton nine immediately after the juniors. It was the first appearance of the Smithers senior team this season, and while they did not win they put up some very classy ball. The wind was blowing strong right across the diamond and it had quite an effect on the ball. Cliff Warner, the old veteran, was in the box for Smithers and for six innings he pitched fine ball. It was not until the fifth inning that New Hazelton was able to get a score, and then they only got two. Smithers got their first and only score in the sixth inning.

At the end of the sixth Warner put Pope in the box in order to save his own arm, but Pope is not the pitcher that Cliff is for the first two-thirds of the game. He should work his arm more between games so as to pitch the whole nine innings.

For New Hazelton Bert Spooner put up a great game. He fanned most of the Smithers batters and the few times that Smithers did hit he batted the New Hazelton fielders were right on the job and caught most of the men at first. Spooner had better support on Tuesday than he has had in some other games. John Smith at second base played a particularly good game and Onkley Senkpiel at first was on the job all time, and he was strong at the bat.

New Hazelton is known throughout the interior as pretty heavy hitters, but on Tuesday it was the light hitters than did most of the hitting, the heavy hitters did not seem to be able to connect with the ball to any extent.

The final score was six to one in favor of the local team.

After the senior ball game there was a soft ball game between Hazelton and New Hazelton girls teams. It was the first soft ball game seen on the local grounds and it provided a lot of fun for the spectators, as well as for the girls. These teams have only got under way. It was only a couple of weeks ago that they got organized and considering the time they have had to

practice they gave a pretty fair exhibition. More confidence will make a big difference to the play. Hazelton girls won by a score of 11 to 8. The Hazelton girls are the better team so far, but the locals say they will do a lot better next time.

The officials in all the games seemed to have given good satisfaction and shown sportsmanship. The entire day went off in a manner that was admirable.

The Ladies Aid booth where refreshments were served was a busy place. The hot tea and coffee and hot dogs, as well as other good things, both hot and cold, seemed to be appreciated by the crowd. Although a big gathering was prepared for the ladies had practically nothing left at the end of the day.

In the evening there was a splendid turnout at the dance in the New Hazelton hall. The local orchestra supplied the music and gave general satisfaction until the wee hours of Wednesday. There were people there from Dorreer right through to Smithers, and everyone had a good time. The refreshments were particularly good.

Although the weather was cold and financial conditions are none too good it can be said that the celebration was a success in every way.

WM. WARE IS RETIRING

Wm. Ware, for many years superintendent of the fur posts of the Hudson Bay Co. in British Columbia and north, is retiring on pension from June 1st. Mr. Ware has been with the company for a life time and received many promotions for his efficiency and loyalty to the company. As a fur man there were few better. He is known all through British Columbia and he is as well liked as he is well known. He will be missed by the outlying post employees who have been so long associated with him. It is not known if he will make one more trip over the territory with the new superintendent, or not. Many would like to see him again to say farewell and to wish him a long life in which to enjoy his well earned leisure.

GOING TO KITWANGA SHORTLY

Many in Hazelton and district will regret to learn that Harry Walker is leaving Hazelton early in June for Kitwanga. He has been in Hazelton for a number of years and is quite prominent with the young people. All are glad to learn, however, that he is being promoted, and will assume charge of the H. B. Co.'s store, at Kitwanga. Otto Utterstrom, present manager, will be transferred to one of the other northern posts, probably Babine where there is a very large fur business, and Otto is a real fur man.

CARD OF THANKS

The Ladies Aid Society of the New Hazelton church wish to express their great appreciation for the valuable assistance rendered them on May 24th by so many of the citizens.

A cold supper will be served by St. Peter's Auxiliary on Saturday afternoon, July 9th, on the Mission House Lawn, from 4 to 7 o'clock. Everyone welcome.

WENT TRAPPING FOR GOLD

Albert Mercer Visited Couple of creeks but They were Barren—Took a Shot at a Poor Bear

Albert Mercer returned last Thursday morning from his spring outing to his trap line on the South Fork of the Copper river. His object in making his spring trip this year was to get a few beaver, but the real reason was and he only tells this to a few, was to look for gold. "For years," said Albert, "I have seen a couple of creeks away off over there and I have had a hunch that there might be gold in 'em. This spring I made the trip over, some miles, and just as hard a trip as a fellow wants to take (there should have been gold considering the hardness of the trip) and there is still five feet of snow up there. But when I got there it was like the old woman's cabbard—darn the color did I get. I was so darn mad that I up and fired a shot at a bear that was along side the river—just to see him run. Boy, oh boy, how the sand and gravel flew when that bear suddenly shifted into high gear. That made me feel a lot better and I started back for camp.

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WM. MITCHELL WAS DROWNED

Wm. "Billie" Mitchell of Prince Rupert was drowned on May 24th in the harbor at Prince Rupert. He saw a young boy fall out of a small boat and being a very strong swimmer, himself he swam out, got the boy to the boat and then took cramps himself and went down. The deceased young man was very popular among the young people in Rupert where he has spent most, if not all of his life, his father being among the pioneers and a member of the contracting firm of Mitchell & Currie. Billie was also well known and greatly liked by all the young folk from the interior, who were class mates of his at the U. B. C.

Mr. and Mrs. John Newick leave on Saturday morning on their trip to the Old Country.

Wm. Lloyd of the Hudson's Bay Co. staff at Hazelton has received word of his promotion to a better position with the company at Fort St. James. He will be taking up his new work some time next month. He will be missed in Hazelton where he was well liked both in and out of the store.

BETTER FRUITS AND VEGETABLES FOR CANADIAN TABLES

Canadians like good things to eat and desire to have them at all seasons of the year. This has been kept in mind by the breeders of new vegetables and fruits, and the aim has been to originate, if possible, something better than was yet available, and good success has followed these efforts.

After a long winter there is a great craving for something with acidity hence there is much demand for rhubarb, not only on this account, but because it is the first edible product from the soil in spring. There is a great difference in rhubarb from the green, coarse, stringy variety to the attractive, fine grained sort known as Ruby, originated at the Experimental Farm, and considered to be the best rhubarb on the market, and already very popular. Not only is it red on the outside, but it is red all the way through the stalk, and makes such an attractive sauce that even those who do not care much for rhubarb are tempted to eat it. It is much better than some of the old green varieties; as the Melba apple is better than the Duchess of Oldenburgh. Here again is a product of the Experimental Farm which fills a long felt want. Up to quite recently those who were eager to eat a summer apple, after being without one so long, had to depend on Astrachan and Duchess, which were not at all conducive to a large consumption of apples, but in the Melba there is an apple of Duchess season equal to McIntosh in quality—an attractive luscious apple of high flavor, giving a craving for more. This is appreciated by the slot machine vendors who are eager to get Melba to operate the season for their machines.

Of all vegetables, corn is, perhaps, the most popular, after potatoes, and everyone looks forward eagerly to the corn season. The Golden Bantam corn is the most popular variety, and rightly so, but if one can have corn as good in quality as Golden Bantam but two weeks sooner, he will not be without it. The Pickaninny and Banting varieties originated at the Experimental Farm are such. The Pickaninny has a slight bluish tinge when young, and is of delicious quality quite equal to Golden Bantam. Banting is a very popular early yellow corn of fine quality.

These valuable originations make it possible for thousands of Canadians to grow their own fresh fruits and vegetables who were previously unable to do owing to the longer season required by the older sorts.

GEO. G. BUSHBY PASSED AWAY

On Wednesday night May 18th, in Victoria, Geo. G. Bushby of Prince Rupert, passed away after a long illness. Some time ago he was taken to Victoria by Mrs. Bushby for special treatment. The deceased was at one time a candidate for the Conservative party in Skeena. He was a grandson of Sir James Douglas, the second governor of Vancouver Island and the first governor of British Columbia. He was one of the leaders in business circles in the northern coast town. He was 63 yrs. of age and a native of the country.

The Woman's Auxiliary to the Hazelton Community Association will hold a garden party in Hazelton on Saturday, July 16. Keep the date open.

HOSPITAL PATRIOTIC BRIDGE

Come and enjoy a game of cards and help the Hospital—Hodders Hall, on Friday, June 3rd, the King's birthday. At 8.30 sharp. Admission 50c.

Snappy Nine on Loosing Side Hazelton Won

Hazelton defeated the Snappy Nine of Smithers on Sunday afternoon on the Hazelton grounds by a score of 8 to five. There was a good attendance from Smithers, New Hazelton and also from Hazelton. The game started on time and the public appreciated that. At first it looked like a pretty snappy game, but it soon tamed down and at times positively dragged as though the boys were tired. Of course there was a rawness in the air and that would tend to slow down the play.

In the first inning Ed. Denno, catcher for Hazelton, was stooping to get a ball being thrown from the field to get a runner from third base. The runner, however, collided with the Hazelton catcher and Denno got a broken nose out of it. He was taken at once to the hospital. Dell Austin was taken in from centre field and he caught the rest of the game, doing good work. He is a big husky fellow with a strong peg. He also is batting better this year. He got a finger hurt on first base and called for a runner, but the umpire would hardly stand for it and Dell had to do his own running and puffing.

Both teams took two runs in the first inning and then both were shut out for the next two. In the fourth Hazelton got a run and in the fifth Smithers got one. They both took a run in the sixth, but in the seventh the Snappy Nine went into the air for a time and allowed three runs in (our own score was six runs but the official score said he only saw three come in). It may be that only three runs were scored.

The final score was eight to five in favor of Hazelton.

For the Snappy Nine Geraud was not pitching to form—he threw many balls high, and to make it a little more unfavorable Downey behind the bat did not hold those he got his hands on. Carey at second base made a splendid run and got a fly with his left mit.

Hazelton played a steady game right through with no one outshining the others. The Hazelton line up is somewhat changed this year from last. Allen Benson is promoted to second base with Sterrett on first where he plays a dandy game. Ward Marshall plays short with some success—he was on third last year. Jas. Cox has been brought in from the field and put on third base. Marshall is also the best batter on the team with Jim Cox a close second. If the Hazelton team as it stands now, could land on the ball a little harder and oftener they would be hard to beat, and a superior team to last year.

Fortunately for the crowd there was a couple of good rains and the grounds were in pretty good shape for the ball game on Sunday.

One of the cars from Smithers parked behind short stop, stopped a foul ball with its wind shield—the wind shield got the worst of it.

The officials for the day were Geo. Benson, sr., behind the pitcher and S. H. Senkpiel on the bases. There was not too much howling about decisions. In fact there was not so many as on a number of other occasions. On the whole they did pretty well.

Celebrations of Victoria Day were held at Kitsegukla, Telkwa and Burns Lake as well as Terrace and New Hazelton.

There will be church service in New Hazelton next Sunday morning and the Sunday school will meet at ten o'clock in the morning.

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Our Wards, the Indians Particularly in Skeena District in B. C.

Written by Miss M. B. Wright, for nine years teacher at Kitsegukla, and now residing at Grand Forks, B. C.

From County Down Spectator

These neighbors of ours who were here before any of us and whose right to the country is prior to that of any white man or woman in Canada, are now our wards to be guarded and cared for. We, through our representatives, the Indian Department at Ottawa, are responsible for their well-being. In sickness medical care is provided for them; in poverty, means to sustain life; if unjustly accused, defence; if threatened with violence, protection.

Education is free to all. An ample provision of land has been set aside for their use. On these reservations they may build homes, plant gardens, and live their lives unmolested. Subject to approval of the Indian Department, they may even sell these reservations "en bloc." At present, as we know, there is a tentative proposal by Vancouver to acquire the Kitsilano reserve, for which about \$219,000 has already been paid to the Indians.

British Columbia has more Indians than has any other province in Canada. You see them in the north along the Naas River; at Port Simpson; up the Skeena River to Hazelton and Haggwilget; east to Babine, Burns Lake, Francois Lake, Williams Lake; west to Queen Charlotte Islands and west coast of Vancouver Island (Kuparuk Island, east of Vancouver Island, has a large and very expensively built boarding school); at Ahousat, Alberni; and

on the coast, Alert Bay (with its fine array of totem poles), Campbell River Cape Mudge (beside the lighthouse) etc., and south to North Vancouver and Chilliwack.

At Sardis is another large boarding school, "Coqualeetza," of which the late Mr. R. H. Cairns, Inspector of Indian schools in British Columbia, was at one time the principal.

It is in great measure due to him that Indian schools generally are so well equipped, for, as inspector, he urged their needs. Formerly, the material supplied was often of the most meagre description, but today—owing to his representations to "the powers that be" at Ottawa—many of these can vie with most public schools in so far as equipment is concerned, and the pupils are under no expense for anything.

The inspectorate was a large one—60 schools in all—and very scattered. It's a far cry from Alyansch, on the Naas River (where they "shoot" the rapids) to Babine, which could only be approached from Hazelton by way of pack trail or from the south by lake steamer; or to Massett with its clam beds; or to Ahousat per Union S.S. up the rocky west coast of Vancouver Island.

Conveyances, many and varied, and to be used, or might be—where there was neither motor car, nor road for a car, or when trains were not on time—that a 12-mile walk had to be taken. Or, perhaps, a coast steamer showed up in mid channel, while our Inspector boarded it from a fisherman's "gas" boat

All Sorts and Conditions

And, all sorts of men and living conditions were encountered. At one time his "quarters" might be in an Indian's shack, or again, in the store-keeper's one room; or more often he would "put up" at the minister's home—as was customary for church and government officials to do in places where there was neither hotel nor boarding house. (If there was a minister's home!)

Up till the spring of 1929, when his death occurred, his was a well-known figure in Vancouver as well as in those other parts of British Columbia. Many there who read this will remember him, his cheery presence, encouraging and helpful ways and keen sense of humor. It seemed almost like the irony of fate that he should die such a short time—just about six months—before his retirement was due.

All those who were privileged to know him will endorse this tribute to a good man who served his day and generation well and has now passed away.

Although there was just one inspector, there is many an Indian agent. His office is certainly no sinecure. Always, he must be ready for any eventuality. In early days, perhaps this was even more the case than it is just now. Mr. R. E. Loring, formerly Indian agent for Babine agency (now superannuated) has related tales of times when he had to set broken bones, treat sores and dispense drugs (treating both animals and humans) in addition to all his other duties. His successor of today, although he may not have to do quite all these things, has still no lack of occupation.

Usually he has charge of a large district. In this he is often assisted by a constable, who is specially appointed for work among the Indians; also by Canadian Mounted Police in the district, who are under his orders. And he himself is an appointed justice of the peace for the Indians. He acts as intermediary in all matters between the Indian Department and the people on the reserves. For there are usually a number of reservations in a single agency with, perhaps, a school in each. He it is who forwards to the Department all requests from the people; has charge of their community (tribe) funds; defends (or, maybe, prosecutes) them if they get into trouble with the law—acting in his official capacity as justice of the peace; issues marriage licenses when marriages are to be performed by a clergyman (sometimes the couple choose the Indian rite, which is recognized as legal).

In school affairs his position corresponds somewhat to that of the secretary of the board of trustees of a public school, with this difference—he has more responsibility.

The indigent amongst the people are his special care. These are given a monthly ration, tea, flour, sugar, yeast cakes, etc. Nearly all can grow some potatoes (seed potatoes and vegetables are supplied free by the Department) and perhaps they dry or salt enough fish to last till next season.

Nowadays church and state cooperate in the working of most of these Indian settlements, with the state doing most of the work and bearing the bulk of the expense.

But originally, the reverse was the case. The various churches—Roman Catholics, Anglican, Methodist, Presbyterian—sent in missionaries, starting in a small way, sometimes with only a rudely constructed building which served as church, schoolhouse and manse combined. This state of affairs gradually changed as time went on, the government stretching out helping hands more and more until today one has only to look at the large well-appointed Indian boarding schools now scattered over the land to realize the difference.

Indians and Education

Certainly there are still a number of small day schools, extent which have been built by the Indians themselves—a fact which goes far to show how they value education for their children—but even in these cases the government almost invariably supplied the materials. As an instance of one such may be mentioned that on Kitsegukla reserve, near Skeena Crossing station, where the writer spent over nine years.

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That village is an unsubstantial part of a primitive history, and might easily be considered a myth were not proofs existent that its people were the congenitors of many notable families, and beholding mountain and forest hereabouts, one can at least believe that they lived in rude but comfortable circumstances very close to nature, their wants supplied by an abundance of game and a greater abundance of salmon. The skins of forest creatures formed their clothing, trees provided material for houses, canoes and fires and here it is said, was the cradle of the Skeena races.

Now the place has gone, but the Indian still remains—perhaps not in his thousands as heretofore—at the Indian villages of Hazelton, Haggwilget and Kitsegukla, over all of which the frowning Rocher de Boule stands as guard as he did in the days of yore.

Early Marriages Common

Early marriages are common among them. A girl of 14 may marry a boy of seventeen, and a grandmother of 80 is not unknown. It seems a matter of

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Terrace Notes

Mr. and Mrs. O. Landry of Prince Rupert were guests at the Philbert Hotel several days the past week.

M. P. McCaffery has gone back to the coast after a few days at Lakelse Hot Springs. He feels a lot better.

Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Perrin spent the week end in town.

Col. and Mrs. J. W. Nicholls and the family of Prince Rupert spent the last week end at Lakelse.

Mrs. R. W. Riley and daughter have returned from Prince Rupert.

Mrs. P. J. Murphy of Reno spent the week end in town with Mrs. T. J. Kirkpatrick.

Mrs. Beveridge and daughter, Jenn are back after a trip to Rupert.

The section men at Pitman saw a mother bear with two cubs, one black and one white. Such a rare sight has

caused a deal of interest and all who travel that way are on the look out for a peep at the white bear. It will be remembered by the sportsmen that white bear are protected.

Fred Stewart has taken over his duties as ferryman at Usk.

E. A. Hogan of Dorreen left last Friday for the Yukon where he will do some prospecting and mining during the summer.

W. Ungerer was caught, unfortunately, in the conveyor chain at the Geo Little mill on Tuesday of last week. He was severely shaken up, but no bones were broken and he will soon be on the job again.

Dr. and Mrs. Mills went to the Hazelton hospital on Friday.

Dr. H. C. Wrinch, M.L.A., called on a number of his constituents in his end of the riding last week.

Work on the bath house at Lake Lakelse Lodge is now done and is in use by the guests. There has been a good many visitors to the Lodge already this season and the prospects are bright for a very busy season.

Pacific reports that a severe rain and wind storm hit the burg last Thursday night and a lot of dead trees on the river front were blown down, and some of the residents in that district feared less the trees might blow onto their houses. Ben Ward's cabin was hit by a big branch, but little damage was done.

The ladies teams in the soft ball league are practicing regularly and it is expected that the league opening is to be announced shortly. Two soft ball diamonds have been laid out and thus both boys and girls may play at the same time.

On Tuesday afternoon Frank Rancher was hauling logs from Spring creek district, when, on coming up the grade and just as the truck got to the bridge the engine backfired, setting the cab on fire. The truck rolled back off the bridge and after some hard work the fire was put out, but the engine was badly scorched and the cab was ruined. Osborns Stout went out from own later in the day and towed the damaged truck in.

The public works machinery is working on the Lakelse end of the road.

J. B. Johnstone has bought a new Peterborough canoe and a 10 h.p. outboard motor for use of guests at the Lakelse Lodge. It is a snappy boat.

The provincial police are issuing new drivers licenses for car drivers.

Chas. Durham of Usk spent a few days in Terrace and one day at the Lake.

The new fishing licenses are being issued in this district.

Ed. France and his son Wesley left Friday night to work at the Placer property on Lorne creek.

The approaches to Brauns Island bridge are about done. A lot of timber and brush is also being cut away in case of fire.

H.A. Butt of Usk was a visitor in town this week.

The tent caterpillar plague is much worse in the district this year. The local fruit men are having quite a time keeping their fruit trees clean.

Young Yachtsmen to Meet at Yarmouth, N.S.



Young yachtsmen from Canada, Newfoundland and the United States will gather at the Lakeside Inn, Yarmouth, N.S., from July 6 to July 9, 1932, to compete for the handsome silver cup, presented by H. R. H. the Prince of Wales to the Royal Nova Scotia Yacht Squadron for competition between juniors and won last season by the Pleon Yacht Club, of Marblehead, Mass., who are now defending it against all comers. Entries are restricted to boys and girls between the ages of 12 and 18 and the craft used are Marconi rigged yachts of the new "Acadian" class, built last year for the Lakeside Inn and the Lakeside Yacht Club. Sailing will take place on Milo Lake, adjoining the hotel, which is the Canadian Pacific Railway's latest link in a vast chain of hostleries across Canada, and a record attendance of contestants and spectators is expected from all the representative yachting organizations of three countries. The pictures show the beautiful hotel, in its ideal setting; a typical yacht and the much-coveted cup, itself.

Here and There

Exports of Canadian wheat during the month of March totalled 9,920,634 bushels, of which only 71,268 bushels were routed through United States Atlantic seaboard ports.

Canada's butter exports to the British Isles and other countries totalled 10,680,000 pounds in 1931, as compared with only 1,180,400 pounds in 1930.

Canada's bread and bakery products industry showed production to a value of \$73,594,894 during 1930, through 2,698 establishments of which 1,071 are located in Ontario and 868 in Quebec.

March was the year's best month, to date, for pig iron production in Canada, with a total of 17,989 tons, at a rate of 580 tons per day, as compared with 362 tons per day in February and 332 in January.

W. G. Chester, dean of Canadian railroad veterans, has just retired, in Winnipeg, after 25 years in the service of the Canadian Pacific Railway and another 25 with the Brotherhood of Railway Conductors.

Excursions run by the Canadian Pacific Railway between various points in Eastern Canada have met with unqualified success. To date, some 17,000 persons have been carried on visits and holidays, over different week-ends, by this means.

The 1931 census shows 728,244 occupied farms in Canada, or 17,154 more than were shown when the count was taken in 1921. Quebec, Manitoba, Saskatchewan, Alberta and British Columbia are responsible for the increase, with the last-named in the lead.

Sgt. Major Watson of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police, Vancouver, paid a visit of inspection to the Hazelton detachment last week.

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Our Wards, The Indians

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no moment to them which is the older man or woman—unlike the white race where there is a prejudice of the husband being older than the wife.

The children, elders too, when once their confidence is gained, trust absolutely. This is especially noticeable in isolated parts of the country where there may be only one "white" be he teacher or preacher, living on the reserve. Such a place is Kitsgukla before instanced, where the teacher is a sort of Jack-of-all-trades, acting as secretary, nurse, organist, Sunday school superintendent, drug dispenser, and general advisor. The drugs are supplied by the Indian Department; ordinarily the greatest "run" would be opium, Epsom salts, castor oil and cod liver oil in winter to make up for lack of sunshine.

At this place the nearest hospital is at Hazelton 15 miles away, with only three times weekly (in the winter) and formerly, no motor road—there is now.

The superintendent of the Hazelton Hospital, Dr. H. C. Winch, M.L.A., is himself a pioneer medical missionary to the Indians, well versed in their history. Many an outstanding figure in Indian education, literature and art may be met around his hospitable board, and there's always a corner somewhere for a visitor, as this writer well knows. He is also one of the remaining few who can speak the native language. Dialects differ so much within a radius of a few miles that no many can do this.

Indians show their belief in the injunction: "Train up a child in the way it should go" by bringing their children from babyhood upwards, to church. Very spick and span they look with their clean faces and go-to-meeting clothes.

It's the same at school now. It was not always so. But even if a few smuts or a trace of yesterday's dinner did linger on—what of that? Smuts can be washed off, so can remains of yesterday's dinner. As they were "Nous avons change tous cela" but it wasn't always easy to please everybody. A certain famous visiting artist from New York, who had been commissioned by the Indian Department at Ottawa, to paint totem poles, portraits and other pieces of interest, in an interview reported in an English Art Magazine, criticised the Indian teachers and preachers for substituting bathrooms for beauty. To this indictment Kitsgukla at any rate, could not plead guilty, for never a bathroom could be found either on the reserve or for miles around.

Most of the Indians return from the salmon canneries on the lower Skeena where they go early in the spring for the fishing early in August when there is more fishing to be done at home for their use. They are not allowed to sell any, its illegal. The fish are smoked or dried or salted. To smoke them they are cut open and hung on horizontally arranged twigs over a smoky fire, which is kept burning day and night.

Berrying comes next, when camping out is the order of the day. The wild berries are either made into jam, or baked partly, then formed into thick cakes which are cooked over a clear fire in the open, something like the way the fish are dried. No pun is used nor is the berry cake placed near the fire, but on cross bars of twigs raised above it.

One berry, the Salat, or soap-a-lili, is used to make what is called Indian ice cream. It is also cooked like jam, and when required is beaten up with sugar into a white frothy looking mixture.

After this there is again a trek to the gardens this time for the digging and sorting of potatoes, etc. Then begins the cutting of fire wood, the preparation of sleds, which all are not. There

are still to be found foolish virgins with no oil in their lamps. By some the Bible injunction "Take no thought of the morrow" is obeyed literally. Fuel costs nothing except labor. It is there for the taking, and the wise ones take it plentifully, for it gets very cold in those parts in winter.

Not so much trapping or hunting is done as formerly, although a bear is occasionally shot or a mountain goat. Deer there are in plenty and too many coyotes. Farming is carried on, but not to any great extent, although as time goes on, it promises to become more general which would be desirable in view of changing conditions in the salmon canneries. According to reports a number of these have been closed this year. In fact, the position threatens to be serious for one report says, "it is feared by salmon canning interests that much difficulty will be experienced by Skeena River Indians in obtaining employment, and some form of government relief is deemed imminent as their other means of livelihood, trapping and pole-cutting, is also unremunerative at present.

Previously many of the Skeena river Indians were employed at logging camps cutting ties for the Canadian National Railway, or filling contracts for cedar poles for the Hanson Lumber Company, whose headquarters are at Prince Rupert, and the president of which is known as "Hanson, the Pole King"—the present member of parliament for the division. Vancouver is trying to preserve some reminders of the natives' erstwhile mode of living before it has passed into the limbo of forgotten things. As, at Stanley Park, are Totem Poles and a semblance of a native village. Also in the public library may be seen curios, but perhaps the best collections of all in B.C. are private ones, such as those of Rev. G. H. Raley, present principal of Coqualeetza Indian Boarding School, and Mrs. Percy Des Brisay, chairman of the exhibition Indian Committee.

The Indian nature of today is kindly. Most of the crimes he commits are usually traceable to indulgence in bootleg liquor or home brew. True, these are taboo. It's illegal to supply an Indian with liquor; anyone doing so is liable to a heavy fine. But, the Indian isn't immune from temptation any more than is his white brother. However, by enacting such laws, the government in its care for these wards of ours, is seeking to protect them—even against themselves.

Sex Equality

The sexes are practically on an equality here, no Christobel Parkhursts need apply, as for instance, the head chief of Kitsgukla is a woman, and descent for the rank of chief is in the female line. True, when trekking, it's a common sight to see the lord and master in the van, with his partner and family going on ahead. But, who can tell (?) this custom may be a relic of barbarous times when the man went ahead to protect his family from a possible foe. Just as, with us, the man takes the outside of the footpath. (In those days there weren't any footpaths). The same with the community house, the remains of which are still to be seen in some Indian villages: the people clustered together for safety, an enemy tribe might make a raid at any time—who could tell?

Their mode of life is gradually changing. In different parts of the country it varies somewhat. But, taking that of the Skeena River Indians their pursuits at the different seasons follow a program something like this:—In very early spring go north to the Nass river for the oolichan fishing the oil is used as a drink, and in cooking—it proved very useful during the flu epidemic. Spring—gardening, putting in potatoes etc.; then go to coast for spring salmon fishing which commands a higher price than a later variety; Summer—the almost universal exodus to the coast for fishing. This is the great adventure of all the year. Whole families leave, accompanied by their goods and chattels, and cats and dogs and sometimes chickens. Shacks

Doings Around Home

Of interest to you and your friends

Mr. and Mrs. John Newick leave on Saturday morning on their trip to the Old Country.

Wm. Lloyd of the Hudson's Bay Co. staff at Hazelton has received word of his promotion to a better position with the company at Fort St. James. He will be taking up his new work some time next month. He will be missed in Hazelton where he was well liked both in and out of the store.

A cold supper will be served by St. Peter's Auxiliary on Saturday afternoon, July 9th, on the Mission House Lawn, from 4 to 7 o'clock. Everyone welcome.

The Women's Auxiliary to the Hazelton Community Association will hold a garden party in Hazelton on Saturday, July 16. Keep the date open.

MOSPITAL PATRIOTIC BRIDGE

Come and enjoy a game of cards and help the Hospital—Hodders Hall, on Friday, June 3rd, the King's birthday. At 8.30 sharp. Admission 50c.

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containing beds and cooking stoves are provided by the packing companies. The women and girls work in the canneries while the men and boys are on fishing. No wonder they consider this so important, for so much hangs on the outcome. If successful it means comfort for the year, if a failure, a struggle to make ends meet. Many a store-keeper has grub-staked a family, trusting to payment after the fishing. So a bad season means a hard time for him too.

In dealing with the Indians, the store-keepers' business, except its terms are cash, which is rare, is a hazardous one. For an Indian, because of his position as ward of the government, cannot be sued for debt as in the case of a white man. But, for all that it isn't often that he refuses credit to a native down and out. Here I would like to say a word for these men who are continuously doing deeds like these, unobtrusively, unnoticed. Many have come to poverty themselves through their kindness of heart, and the world knows nothing of it. All honor to them.

Olof Hanson, M.P., in the House of Commons recently urged the government to establish an experimental farm in northern-central British Columbia for the benefit of the farming community. This has been one of the things that every member for Skeena has urged upon the government. Hon. Robt. Weir, the present minister of agriculture, said he would give the matter consideration.

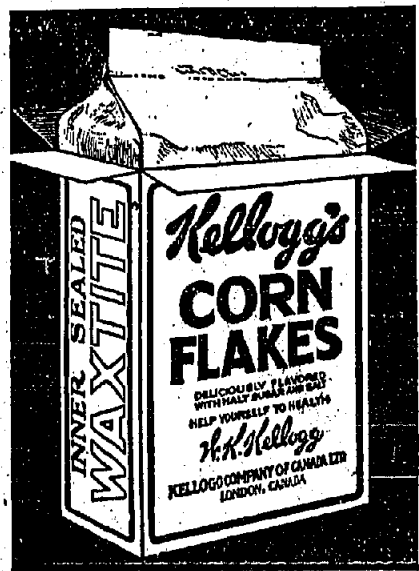
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