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LIST OF PERSONS ENTITLED TO VOTE

IN THE

COMOX ELECTORAL DISTRICT.

20TH MAY, 1898.

No.	Christian name and surname of the Claimant in full length.	Residence of Claimant. (If in a city or town, the name and side of the street upon which he resides, and the names of the nearest cross streets between which his residence is situate.)	Profession, trade, or calling (if any).
1	Abrams, James Atkinson	Union	Merchant
2	Adderton, John	Union	Baker
3	Allen, Charles Isaac	Gorge Harbour, Cortez Island	Farmer
4	Anderton, William	Comox	Carpenter
5	Anderton, James Henry	Union	Carpenter
6	Anderton, Edmund Carter Robt.	Comox	Labourer
7	Anderson, Richard Burpee	Anderson's Metal Works, Cumberland	Metal-worker
8	Anley, Francis Albert	Union	Butcher
9	Anthony, David	Cumberland	Merchant
10	Aptaker, Abram	Union	Trader
11	Armstrong, Alex	Union	Carpenter
12	Backus, Thomas	Valdez Island	Farmer
13	Baird, John	Comox	Farmer
14	Baikie, William, Jr	Denman Island	Farmer
15	Baikie, William, Sr	Denman Island	Farmer
16	Bakewell, James	Union	Blacksmith
17	Baker, Charles Nelson	N.E. pt. Hernando Island	Farmer
18	Ball, Markham Bowser	Comox	Labourer
19	Banfield, John B.	Blue Bells Mine, Frederick Arm	Miner
20	Barker, Charles	Hernando Island	Farmer
21	Barber, Orin	Union	Hotel-keeper
22	Barrett, Edward William	Lot 2, Block 8, Cumberland	Clerk
23	Beadnell, George David	Denman Island	Farmer
24	Beadnell, George David	Denman Island	Physician
25	Beadnell, Henry Hugh Mostyn	Denman Island	Farmer
26	Beckensell, Thomas	Comox	Farmer
27	Beech, Wm	Comox	Farmer
28	Belanger, Joseph	Read Island	Lumberman
29	Belding, Wm	Read Island	Lumberman
30	Bell, Thomas	Valdez Island	Farmer
31	Bellmore, Issadore	Salmon River	Farmer
32	Bennett, John Bertram	Comox	Teacher
33	Bennett, Henry	Hornby Island	Machinist
34	Bennett, James Hall	Hornby Island	Farmer
35	Berry, Peter	Denman Island	Farmer
36	Berkeley, John	Comox	Road superintendent
37	Bernhardt, Tony	Southgate River, Bute Inlet	Farmer
38	Birkett, W. S.	Comox	Farmer
39	Bish, Edwin George	Cumberland	Bricklayer
40	Blackburn, John	Comox	Farmer
41	Blanchfield, Martin Joseph	Waddington Harbour, Bute Inlet	Farmer
42	Bowler, James Samuel	Comox	Farmer
43	Bowyer, Samuel	Alert Bay	Sawyer
44	Bowen, William T.	Union	Miner
45	Bridges, Charles	Comox	Farmer
46	Britt, Peter	Seymour Narrows, Valdez Island	Lumberman
47	Brown, William	Nelson Hotel, Union Bay	Clerk
48	Brown, Thomas Ressuggan	Cumberland Boot and Shoe Store, Cumberland	Shoemaker
49	Bruce, John	Union	Hotel-keeper
50	Bryant, John	Valdez Island	Farmer
51	Buckley, Samuel	Union	Farmer

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52	Burns, Hector C.	Salmon River	Farmer
53	Burn, Frederick	Comox	Farmer
54	Burns, Hector Cameron	Waverley Hotel, Cumberland	Miner
55	Burridge, William	Whaleton, Cortez Island	Farmer
56	Burgess, Edward	Thurlow Hotel, Shoal Bay	Miner
57	Caher, Hugh	Oyster River	Logger
58	Cairns, Thomas	Comox	Farmer
59	Callahan, Owen	Whaleton, Cortez Island	Logger
60	Callaghan, George	Hole in the Wall, Valdez Island	Logger
61	Calnan, J. A.	Maryport avenue and 2nd street, Cumberland	Miner
62	Calnan, Edward James	Union	Miner
63	Cameron, Colin	Comox	Logger
64	Cameron, Colin	Thurlow Hotel, Shoal Bay	Miner
65	Campbell, William Henry	Union	Engineer
66	Campbell, Joseph	Union	Miner
67	Campbell, John G.	Campbell River	Farmer
68	Campbell, John	34 Dunsmuir avenue, Union	Miner
69	Carter, Richard	Comox	Farmer
70	Carthew, James A.	Union	Carpenter
71	Carey, Thomas Howard	Union	Tailor
72	Casey, James	Union Wharf	Longshoreman
73	Casswell, Charles Edwin	Lot 156, Shoal Bay, Thurlow Island	Hotel cook
74	Cessford, Robt.	Union	Carpenter
75	Chabat, Edward	Union Wharf	Labourer
76	Chalmers, John S.	Robb's Farm, Comox	Farmer
77	Chalmers, Thomas	Denman Island	Farmer
78	Cheney, William	Comox	Auctioneer
79	Chisholm, Dain	Blue Bells Mine, Frederick Arm	Miner
80	Clarke, James	Comox	Farmer
81	Clarke, George	Roy's Boarding House, Union	Miner
82	Clark, William	Haslam's Camp, Johnston Straits	Lumberman
83	Cliffe, Samuel Jackson	Comox	Hotel-keeper
84	Cliffe, Lucius Robert	Comox	Farmer
85	Coburn, James	Hornby Island	Mill hand
86	Coburn, Thomas	Courtenay	Labourer
87	Cochrane, Thomas	Union	Lumberman
88	Collis, Henry Percy	Union	Store-keeper
89	Colter, James	Union	Miner
90	Collum, John	Shoal Bay, Thurlow Island	Hotel-keeper
91	Collyer, Charles	Shoal Bay, Thurlow Island	Miner
92	Connell, John	Comox	Farmer
93	Connors, Wm. Daniel	Waverley Hotel, Cumberland	Miner
94	Cook, Stephen	Alert Bay	Engineer
95	Cook, David	Shoal Bay, Thurlow Island	Store-keeper
96	Corker, Arthur William	Alert Bay	Missionary
97	Corby, Henry	Whaleton, Cortez Island	Farmer
98	Coulter, Samuel R.	Cortez Island	Farmer
99	Cowie, Alexander, Jr.	Fanny Bay	Farmer
100	Cowie, David	Fanny Bay	Farmer
101	Cowie, Robert	Fanny Bay	Farmer
102	Cowie, John	Fanny Bay	Farmer
103	Cowlin, Charles	Comox	Labourer
104	Crawford, Byron	Comox	Farmer
105	Crawford, Samuel Fulton	Comox	Farmer
106	Creech, Edward	Comox	Farmer
107	Creech, Richard K.	Union Wharf	Labourer
108	Creech, Samuel	Comox	Carpenter
109	Creech, Robert Albert	Union	Clerk
110	Cunliffe, Franklin	Comox	Farmer
111	Curtis, James Morley	Comox	Civil engineer
112	Curtis, George Dillon	Comox	Architect
113	Dalby, Frank Joshua	Union	Clerk
114	Dalby, William Sylvester	Cumberland	Dentist
115	Dangerfield, Frederick Ernest	Cumberland	Miner
116	Daniels, Sr., Joseph	Union	Miner
117	Daniels, Jr., Joseph	Union	Miner

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118	Daniels, David	Lot 11, Block 6, Cumberland	Miner
119	Davidson, William H.	Union	Teamster
120	Davidson, John Louis	Union	Machinist
121	Davis, Isaac	Comox	Farmer
122	Davis, Leonard	Comox	Farmer
123	Davis, Samuel C.	Union	Hotel-keeper
124	Davis, Samuel C, Jr.	Union	Engineer
125	Davis, Richard	Read Island	Farmer
126	Davis, Joseph Peach	Comox	Nurseryman
127	Davis, George E.	Shoal Bay	Miner
128	Dee, William	Maryport avenue, Cumberland	Miner
129	Deighton, Alfred Gibbon	Bear Brook, Malaspina Straits	Farmer
130	Deighton, George Henry	Bear Brook, Malaspina Straits	Farmer
131	Denton, John	Union	Blacksmith
132	Derbyshire, James	Comox	Farmer
133	Deroy, Louis	Salmon River	Logger
134	Dessureault, Charles	Read Island	Lumberman
135	Doig, Edward	Valdez Island	Lumberman
136	Doney, John	Denman Island	Farmer
137	Donohue, Michael	Comox	Farmer
138	Downey, Paul	Comox	Labourer
139	Downham, Edward	Union	Miner
140	Drabble, Geo. F.	Comox	P. L. surveyor
141	Duncan, Eric	Comox	Farmer
142	Duncan, Oliver	Comox	Farmer
143	Duncan, William	Comox	Farmer
144	Duncan, Jr., Robert	Comox	Farmer
145	Dunsmore, Robert	Union	Miner
146	Dunne, Patrick	Cumberland	Tailor
147	Durand, Rev. Joseph Alcibiades	Union	R. C. Priest
148	Eade, John	Union	Carpenter
149	Eaton, George	Malaspina Inlet	Logger
150	Eckstein, Louis Phillip	Union	Barrister
151	England, Albert	Union	Blacksmith
152	Erickson, Erick	Malaspina Straits	Carpenter
153	Erickson, Otto	ThurLOW Hotel, Shoal Bay	Miner
154	Eva, Thomas	Qualicum	Farmer
155	Falt, John	Hole in the Wall, Valdez Island	Logger
156	Ferlatte, John	Read Island	Logger
157	Ferbrache, Peter	Valdez Island	Farmer
158	Fitzgerald, Joseph A.	Comox	Labourer
159	Ford, Geo.	Hornby Island	Farmer
160	Ford, John	Hornby Island	Farmer
161	Ford, William	Hornby Island	Farmer
162	Ford, Thomas Edgar	Hornby Island	Farmer
163	Fraser, John	Comox	Farmer
164	Fraser, John W.	Comox	Labourer
165	Fraser, Alexander W.	Union	Operator
166	Franklin, Benjamin	Waddington Harbour, Bute Inlet	Farmer
167	Freer, William	Comox	Farmer
168	Frew, John Renwick	Union	Miner
169	Frolander, Niles	Malaspina Straits	Ship carpenter
170	Fulcher, John	Union	Miner
171	Fulton, John A.	Comox	Farmer
172	Fulton, Joshua Merle	Comox	Farmer
173	Fulton, Arthur Clements	Comox	Labourer
174	Garven, Alexander	Nelson	Farmer
175	Garnet, Arthur Thomas	Shoal Bay, ThurLOW Island	Miner
176	Gibbs, Austin Martin	Cumberland Hotel, Union	Miner
177	Gibson, George	Union	Miner
178	Gibson, Matthew	Comox	Farmer
179	Gibson, William Hunter	Blue Bell Mine, Frederick Arm	Miner
180	Giddings, J. B.	Union	Lumberman
181	Gilmore, Robert	Comox	Farmer
182	Gilchrist, James	Union	Miner

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183	Gillespie, John	34 Dunsmuir avenue, Union	Miner
184	Gillis, John	Waverley Hotel, Cumberland	Miner
185	Godfrey, Arthur James	Union	Printer
186	Gordon, Walter	Salmon River	Farmer
187	Graham, George Albert	Denman Island	Labourer
188	Graham, James L.	Comox	Labourer
189	Graham, James	Denman Island	Labourer
190	Graham, John	Denman Island	Farmer
191	Graham, Robert	Comox	Hotel-keeper
192	Graham, Thomas	Comox	Labourer
193	Grant, Alexander	Union	Carpenter
194	Grant, Robert	Union	Mill owner
195	Grant, Kenneth	Union	Mill hand
196	Grant, John	Comox	Hotel-keeper
197	Grant, Walter Thornton B	Hornby Island	Soldier
198	Graham, Alexander Henry	Courtenay	Barkeeper
199	Graham, Peter	Waddington Harbour, Bute Inlet	Farmer
200	Grant, Hugh	Seymour Narrows, Valdez Island	Lumberman
201	Grant, John Goodwin	Seymour Narrows, Valdez Island	Lumberman
202	Grant, Douglas Gordon	Oyster River	Farmer
203	Gray, Wm. B	Loughborough Inlet	Farmer
204	Grieve, George	Comox	Farmer
205	Grieve, George Thomas Berkeley	Comox	Farmer
206	Grieve, John	Comox	Farmer
207	Grieve, George	Union	Brakesman
208	Grieve, George John	Grantham, Comox	Farmer
209	Grieve, Joseph W	Saw Mill, Union	Teamster
210	Grieve, Henry Isaac	Grantham, Comox	Farmer
211	Gunderson, Thomas	Oyster River	Farmer
212	Halcrow, Robert	Comox	Labourer
213	Halliday, Ernest Augustus	Kingcombe Inlet	Farmer
214	Halliday, William May	Kingcombe Inlet	Farmer
215	Halliday, James Augustus	Comox	Teacher
216	Halcrow, Andrew	Clytosin, Cortez Island	Farmer
217	Hall, Richard Herbert	Valdez Island	Farmer
218	Haley, Charles	Thurlow Hotel, Shoal Bay	Miner
219	Hammond, John L	Nimkish River	Farmer
220	Hanson, Albert	Lund	Farmer
221	Hanson, Hans A	Lund	Farmer
222	Hansen, Peter E	Valdez Island	Rancher
223	Harmston, Wm. E	Comox	Farmer
224	Hardy, John	Comox	Farmer
225	Harrigan, Wm. A	Comox	Farmer
226	Harvey, Walter	Comox	Farmer
227	Hardie, Thomas	Comox	Farmer
228	Harwood, John	Comox	Labourer
229	Harding, Andrew	Lund	Logger
230	Harding, Charles	Malaspina Inlet	Farmer
231	Harris, William	Hernando Island	Farmer
232	Hargreaves, Richard	Courtenay	Teamster
233	Hart, Charles A	Union	Carpenter
234	Haskins, George	Cumberland Hotel, Union	Miner
235	Hawkins, John	Comox	Farmer
236	Hawkins, George Gustavus	Alert Bay	Coal-burner
237	Hawking, James Harvey	Blue Bells Mine, Frederick Arm	Miner
238	Hayman, William	Union	Miner
239	Heatherbell, George	Hornby Island	Farmer
240	Heay, Horace	Clytosin, Cortez Island	Engineer
241	Hern, Thomas	Salmon River	Farmer
242	Hicks, William	Lot 6, Block 4, Cumberland	Clergyman
243	Higgins, John	Lot 188, Comox	Farmer
244	Higgins, Joseph	Union Mines	Minister
245	Hill, Edward B	Seymour Narrows	Farmer
246	Hjorth, Nils Christian	Shoal Bay, Cardero Channel	Trader
247	Hodgson, Wesley	Comox	Farmer
248	Hodgman, Thos. Angely	Thurlow Hotel, Shoal Bay	Logger
249	Holmes, Joseph Bernard	Comox	Trader

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250	Holmes, John	Comox	Farmer
251	Hooper, Charles J.	Comox	Labourer
252	Horne, Wm. Archibald	Union	Blacksmith
253	Hornal, Robert	Union	Runner
254	Howe, George	Union wharf	Hotel-keeper
255	Howe, John	Hornby Island	Farmer
256	Hudson, Thomas	Cumberland	Miner
257	Hughes, William	Valdez Island	Farmer
258	Hunt, George	Fort Rupert	Hunter
259	Hurley, Daniel	Cumberland Hotel, Union	Teamster
260	Hyde, Daniel	Nimkish River	Farmer
261	Ireland, Moses C.	Camp Ireland	Lumberman
262	Irwin, Thomas	Cumberland	Painter
263	Jacobson, Eric	Lund	Blacksmith
264	Johnston, John	Comox	Labourer
265	Johnson, Albert Ernest	Alert Bay	Carpenter
266	Johnson, Edward	Valdez Island	Farmer
267	Johnston, Andrew	Comox	Labourer
268	Johnston, John	Waverley Hotel, Cumberland	Miner
269	Jones, Edward Waller	Union	Miner
270	Jones, David	Comox	Soda factor
271	Jones, John	Read Island	Farmer
272	Jones, David	Dunsmuir avenue, Union	Telegraph operator
273	Jones, David M.	Union	
274	Jones, James Lloyd	Leiser's Boarding House, Union Bay	Stonemason
275	Joyce, Alfred	Valdez Island	Farmer
276	Joyce, George Walter	Valdez Island	Farmer
277	Kamano, Michael	Alert Bay	Labourer
278	Kelland, George	Comox	Farmer
279	Kelly, Christopher	Nelson	Farmer
280	Kelly, Robert	Hardwicke Island	Logger
281	Kenen, James William	Denman Island	Farmer
282	Kenen, Thomas	Denman Island	Farmer
283	Kendall, James S.	Union	Weighman
284	Kenny, Richard	Lot 6, Block 2, Cumberland	Clerk
285	Kesley, Hugh	Waverley Hotel, Cumberland	Miner
286	Kesley, John	Cor. 4th St. and Penrith Ave., Cumberland	Fireman
287	Kilpatrick, Dan	Cumberland	Livery keeper
288	King, John	Comox	Farmer
289	King, Andrew Charles Hy.	Seymour Narrows	Logger
290	King, Harry	Black Creek, Comox	Rancher
291	King, Richard M.	Shoal Bay, Thurlow Island	Miner
292	Kingsbury, Sven Oscar	Evans Bay, Read Island	Farmer
293	Kirkwood, Thomas	Lot 4, Block D, Cumberland	Miner
294	Knight, James Mack	Comox	Farmer
295	Knight, John	Point Holmes	Farmer
296	Knox, Wm	Comox	Farmer
297	La Billois, Joseph	Read Island	Farmer
298	Lambert, Nathaniel	Comox	Labourer
299	Lamarre, George	Read Island	Logger
300	Larois, Alfred	Read Island	Logger
301	Laurence, Robert	Union	Physician
302	Law, Robert	Thurlow Hotel, Shoal Bay	Logger
303	Leaske, Thomas	Valdez Island	Farmer
304	Ledingham, Alexander	Comox	Farmer
305	Leighton, George	Courtenay	Blacksmith
306	Lewis, Wm	Comox	Farmer
307	Lippiat, Gerald Adron	Grant's Sawmill, Union	Miner
308	Lindsay, Alexander	Union	Boarding-house keep'r
309	Little, Francis Deans	Union	Colliery manager
310	Livesley, Joseph	Union	Miner
311	Logan, John	Union	Tailor
312	Lowe, Delamark Burns	Quais Lake, Cortez Island	Farmer
313	Lowe, Charles Park	Union	Clerk

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314	Lytell, Matthew.....	Comox	Farmer
315	Mackie, John.....	Union	Miner
316	Magnoni, Marcello.....	Union	Blacksmith
317	Maguire, Thomas.....	Jackson Bay, Loughborough Inlet.....	Miner
318	Malmberg, Wm.....	Union	Barber
319	Manson, John.....	Cortez Island.....	Clerk
320	Manson, Michael.....	Cortez Island.....	Trader
321	Marsh, Daniel.....	Union	Miner
322	Marshall, Francis Muston.....	Shoal Bay.....	Miner
323	Marshall, Thomas.....	Union Wharf.....	Coke-burner
324	Masson, John Edward.....	Comox	Millman
325	Matthewson, William A.....	Comox	Farmer
326	Mathers, Adam.....	Nimkish River.....	Farmer
327	Mathers, John Shaw.....	Nimkish River.....	Farmer
328	Matthews, Thomas.....	Union	Miner
329	May, Wm. Delehant.....	Clickseavey.....	Farmer
330	Mellado, Alexander.....	Union	Carpenter
331	Meyers, Adam Henry.....	Hole in the Wall, Valdez Island.....	Lumberman
332	Miller, James J.....	Comox	Labourer
333	Miller, John Joseph Rushton.....	Comox	Farmer
334	Miller, William J.....	Comox	Labourer
335	Miller, John.....	Union	Engineer
336	Miller, Hugh.....	Union	Engineer
337	Miller, Edwin G.....	Lots 11 & 12, Vict. St., Shoal Bay, Thurlow Id.....	Assayer
338	Millet, Edwin J.....	Comox	Carpenter
339	Milligan, Archibald.....	Comox	Farmer
340	Miles, Grosvenor Chater.....	Clytosin, Cortez Island.....	Farmer
341	Millard, Harrison P.....	Comox	Physician
342	Mitchell, William.....	Union	Weighman
343	Mitchell, Matthew.....	Cumberland.....	Miner
344	Moerman, Gustavus.....	Lot 156, Shoal Bay, Thurlow Island.....	Butcher
345	Moore, Charles Joseph.....	Comox	Trader
346	Moore, Colin.....	Roy's Boarding House, Union.....	Miner
347	Moore, Herbert.....	Dunsmuir avenue, Cumberland.....	Clerk
348	Morison, John R.....	Denman Island.....	Farmer
349	Morrison, Dan.....	Hardwicke Island.....	Logger
350	Morrison, Hugh.....	Comox	Farmer
351	Morris, George.....	Shoal Bay, Thurlow Island.....	Miner
352	Mounce, James Watson.....	Union	Teamster
353	Mundell, John.....	Comox	Farmer
354	Munro, John Alex.....	Vendome Hotel, Cumberland.....	Carpenter
355	Murray, Daniel.....	Seymour Narrows, Valdez Island.....	Lumberman
356	Murchie, Daniel.....	Thurlow Hotel, Shoal Bay.....	Miner
357	Muschamp, Emerson.....	Comox	Clerk
358	McAdam, Robert.....	Hernando Island.....	Farmer
359	McAllan, Wm. James.....	Union	Miner
360	McAllister, Duncan.....	Union	Teamster
361	McCann, John.....	Comox	Carpenter
362	McConnell, Ronald Stafford.....	Union	Mining engineer
363	McClinton, Richard Henry.....	Cortez Island.....	Rancher
364	McCarthy, John.....	Valdez Island.....	Master mariner
365	McCallum, Archibald.....	Courtenay.....	Hotel proprietor
366	McCallum, Donald.....	Lot 113, Shoal Bay, Thurlow Island.....	Farmer
367	McDonald, George G.....	Comox	Hotel-keeper
368	McDonald, Donald.....	Union	Contractor
369	McDonald, John.....	Comox	Farmer
370	McDonald, Donald.....	Twins Islands.....	Farmer
371	McDonald, Thomas.....	Courtenay Hotel.....	Blacksmith
372	McDonald, John.....	Courtenay.....	Carpenter
373	McDonald, James Hugh.....	Shoal Bay, Thurlow Island.....	Miner
374	McDonald, Peter.....	Blue Bell Mine, Shoal Bay.....	Miner
375	McDonald, James.....	Union	Labourer
376	McDonald, Thomas.....	Blue Bells Mine, Frederick Arm.....	Blacksmith
377	McDonald, Roderick.....	Comox	Farmer
378	McDonald, John Andrew.....	McKay's Farm, Baynes Sound.....	Labourer
379	McFadyen, Neil.....	Union	Teamster
380	McFarlan, Charles.....	Denman Island.....	Farmer

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381	McFarlan, George	Denman Island	Farmer
382	McFarlan, Walter	Denman Island	Farmer
383	McFarlan, John R.	Denman Island	Farmer
384	McFarlan, Charles	Read Island	Lumberman
385	McGregor, Henry	Union	Carpenter
386	McIver, James	Comox	Farmer
387	McKelvy, Adam	Comox	Farmer
388	McKelvy, Stafford	Comox	Farmer
389	McKenzie, John W.	Comox	Blacksmith
390	McKenzie, Robert	Union	Miner
391	McKenzie, John	Comox	Livery proprietor
392	McKenzie, John R.	Union	Miner
393	McKenzie, John	Bute Inlet	Hand logger
394	McKenzie, Donald Alex. Ross	Lot 10, Block D, Cumberland	Blacksmith
395	McKnight, Andrew	Union	Engineer
396	McKim, Edward William	Union	Merchant
397	McKim, John James	Union	Merchant
398	McKay, Alex. James	Allsop's House, Penrith avenue, Cumberland	Carpenter
399	McLean, James B.	Union	Store-keeper
400	McLean, Thomas D.	Union	Watchmaker
401	McLean, Richard	Union	Miner
402	McLean, George	Cumberland	Miner
403	McLeod, Daniel	Union	Tailor
404	McLaughlin, Abraham	Grant's Boarding House, Union	Teamster
405	McMillan, David Richard	Comox	Labourer
406	McMillan, Alexander	Denman Island	Farmer
407	McMahon, John	Seymour Narrows, Valdez Island	Lumberman
408	McNeil, Andrew	Cortez Island	Farmer
409	McNeil, Thomas	Blue Bell mine, Shoal Bay	Miner
410	McNiven, Peter	Vendome Hotel, Cumberland	Miner
411	McPhee, Joseph	Comox	Trader
412	McPherson, John	Cortez Island	Lumberman
413	McPhee, John	Wulfsohn Bay, Malaspina Straits	Labourer
414	McQuillan, Henry Cook	Comox	Farmer
415	McQuillan, Robert	Comox	Liveryman
416	Nash, John	Union	Labourer
417	Nelson, Theodore	Denman Island	Farmer
418	Nelson, Charles M.	Lund	Farmer
419	Nelson, James	Union	Miner
420	Nendick, Willis Morgan	Whaleton, Cortez Island	Rancher
421	Nunns, Laurence William	Hornby Island	Farmer
422	Ordish, John	Shoal Bay, Thurlow Island	Miner
423	O'Henley, Ronald	Union	Miner
424	O'Henley, Daniel R.	Union	Miner
425	Parkin, William	Comox	Farmer
426	Parkin, Jr., Robert	Comox	Farmer
427	Parkin, Isaac	Comox	Farmer
428	Parks, Nelson	Union	Miner
429	Parks, James Edward	Union	Miner
430	Parks, Frank	Penrith avenue, Cumberland	Miner
431	Peacey, John	Campbell River	Farmer
432	Peacey, Albert H.	Cumberland	Druggist
433	Pearse, Thomas	Union	Miner
434	Pearse, Alfred	Union	Miner
435	Pescaro, Joseph	Alert Bay	Engineer
436	Petch, Thomas	Discovery Passage	Logger
437	Phillips, Edward	Comox	Farmer
438	Pickles, Abram	Denman Island	Farmer
439	Pickles, David	Denman Island	Farmer
440	Pickard, Frederick	Cumberland	Store clerk
441	Pidcock, Reginald H.	Valdez Island	Indian agent
442	Piercy, John Frederick	Denman Island	Farmer
443	Piercy, Henry	Comox	Farmer
444	Piercy, Matthew H.	Comox	Farmer
445	Piercy, Samuel Johnson	Comox	Farmer

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446	Piercy, Thomas H.	Denman Island	Farmer
447	Piercy, Matthew Henderson	Union	Miner
448	Piercy, Andrew	Comox	Farmer
449	Piercy, James	Courtenay	Farmer
450	Piercy, Thomas Wesley	Denman Island	Farmer
451	Piket, John A.	Union	Hotel-keeper
452	Portray, Ambrose	Union	Miner
453	Potter, John Joseph	Union	Miner
454	Pritchard, James A.	Comox	Logger
455	Puetz, John	Union	Labourer
456	Quinn, Alfred.....	Eucletaw Rapids	Logger
457	Rabson, Sydney Thomas	Comox	Labourer
458	Radford, Arthur	Comox	Labourer
459	Raine, Francis James	Tongue Point, Hernando Island	Farmer
460	Redpath, Fred. Nicholson	Comox	Farmer
461	Rees, James	Comox	Farmer
462	Reid, Harvey George	Union wharf	Wharfinger
463	Reid, William	Union	Lumberman
464	Reid, James	Union	Miner
465	Reid, Thomas Brown	Union	Millman
466	Rembough, Miles	"Hole in the Wall," Valdez Island	Teamster
467	Rennison, William	Comox	Farmer
468	Rennison, Walter Henry	Comox	Labourer
469	Reynolds, James	Union	Miner
470	Richards, Robert	Comox	Farmer
471	Richardson, John	Waverley Hotel, Cumberland	Hotel-keeper
472	Richardson, Robert	Waverley Hotel, Cumberland	Miner
473	Ridd, Edwin	Read Island	Farmer
474	Riggs, Stanley Herbert	Union	Clerk
475	Robertson, Robert	Union	Miner
476	Robertson, Geo. H	Union	Blacksmith
477	Robertson, Robert Speairs	Vendome Hotel, Cumberland	Hotel-keeper
478	Robertson, John	Vendome Hotel, Cumberland	Hotel-keeper
479	Robb, William Rowley	Comox	Farmer
480	Robinson, Geo. Albert Augusta	Comox	Farmer
481	Roe, John Littledale	Union	Clerk
482	Roe, George Henry	Union	D. Customs Collector
483	Rogers, David	Union	
484	Rollings, Edward	Comox	Shoemaker
485	Rorison, William D.	Hidalgo Point, Hernando Island	Farmer
486	Rorison, Basil D.	Hernando Island	Farmer
487	Rosborough, Thomas	Comox	Labourer
488	Ross, Henry Wilson	Comox	Farmer
489	Rose, Laurence John	Whaleton, Cortez Island	General merchant
490	Rowan, John	Comox	Labourer
491	Rowland, Eli	Cumberland	Bricklayer
492	Roy, William	Union	Miner
493	Roy, David	Union	Miner
494	Roy, William	Cumberland	Miner
495	Roy, John Harry	Cumberland	Miner
496	Rudge, Harry	Haddington Island	Stone-cutter
497	Russell, Thomas	Union	Mine overman
498	Ryan, David Rupert	Lot 259, Comox	Labourer
499	Ryan, Phillip Willard	Lot 229, Comox	Labourer
500	Ryan, Simon P.	Thurlow Hotel, Shoal Bay	Miner
501	Ryder, Jr., Cory Spencer	Magnet Cash Store, Cumberland	Merchant
502	Salmond, Alexander	Comox	Farmer
503	Sanderson, Robert	Courtenay House, Comox	Carpenter
504	Sargent, William	Hole in the Wall, Valdez Island	Logger
505	Scharschmidt, Percy Fremlin	Comox	Medical student
506	Scott, John	Hornby Island	Farmer
507	Scott, Thomas Wright	Tsolum River road, Comox	Carpenter
508	Scott, John	Hornby Island	Farmer
509	Scott, Robert Edward	Hornby Island	Farmer
510	Seawright, James	Comox	Farmer

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511	Seaton, William J.	Cortez Island.	Farmer
512	Seater, Andrew	Comox	Farmer
513	Secord, Anderson	Amor Point, Bute Inlet	Rancher
514	Sharp, William	Comox	Farmer
515	Short, Richard	Union	Overman
516	Shufer, Peter	Cortez Island.	Farmer
517	Skinner, John	Hornby Island	Farmer
518	Smalley, William	Shoal Bay, Thurlow Island	Miner
519	Smith, James	Union	Blacksmith
520	Smith, John	Valdez Island	Labourer
521	Smith, Horace, Jr.	Comox	Labourer
522	Smith, Horace, Sr.	Comox	Farmer
523	Smith, John William	Comox	Farmer
524	Smith, John H.	Read Island.	Farmer
525	Smith, William Clifford	Fanny Bay, V. I.	Farmer
526	Smith, George C	Comox	Farmer
527	Smith, William	Greenwood Bay, Malaspina Straits	Farmer
528	Smith, Thomas	Greenwood Bay, Malaspina Straits	Farmer
529	Smith, George G	Thurlow Hotel, Shoal Bay	Carpenter
530	Smithurst, Elijah, Jr	Union	Farmer
531	Spaulding, Hiram Adelbert	Homalko River, Bute Inlet	Farmer
532	Stark, Alexander	Lot 156, Shoal Bay	Miner
533	Steele, Robert	Vendome Hotel, Cumberland	Logger
534	Stephenson, David B.	Union	Engine driver
535	Stewart, Hugh	Comox	Plasterer
536	Stewart, Daniel	Comox	Farmer
537	Stewart, James	Comox	Farmer
538	Stewart, Joseph	Comox	Farmer
539	Stewart, Archie	Comox	Logger
540	Stoughton, Charles	Comox	Farmer
541	Struthers, John P	Union	Carpenter
542	Surgeant, Stephen	Union	Miner
543	Swan, Robert	Comox	Labourer
544	Swan, Robert	Demman Island	Farmer
545	Tait, Alexander	Comox	Minister
546	Tarbell, Charles Henry	Cumberland.	Tinsmith
547	Taylor, William	Comox	Lumberman
548	Therriault, Archie	Hardwicke Island	Logger
549	Theobald, Henry James	Cumberland	Painter
550	Thomas, Evan Rowland	Comox	Teamster
551	Thompson, John	Union	Miner
552	Thompson, Samuel	Cortez Island	Farmer
553	Thullin, Charles A.	Lund	Postmaster
554	Tiffany, George	Thurlow Hotel, Shoal Bay	Miner
555	Tippett, George	Union	Miner
556	Todhunter, John	Union	Surveyor
557	Townsend, George Eugene	Salmon River	Farmer
558	Trahey, James	Cortez Island	Rancher
559	Turnbull, T. L. C.	Union	Miner
560	Turnbull, George	No. 5, Old Town, Union	Miner
561	Urquhart, Alexander	Comox	Farmer
562	Urquhart, Harold	Comox	Millman
563	Urquhart, John	Comox	Millman
564	Urquhart, Alexander, Jr.	Union	Lumberman
565	Vaughan, Frank V.	Gorge Harbour, Cortez Island	Rancher
566	Viscent, William	Smelt Bay, Cortez Island	Farmer
567	Vroon, John Pickman	Gorge Harbour, Cortez Island	Farmer
568	Walker, Alfred Edward	Union	Engineer
569	Walker, William Bennie	Union	Miner
570	Walker, David	Union	Miner
571	Walker, Alexander	Union	Engineer
572	Walker, George	Union	Engineer
573	Walker, Joseph	Union	Engineer
574	Walker, Ed.	Union	Weighman

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575	Walker, Albert E.	Union	Miner
576	Walker, Robert John	Valdez Island	Missionary
577	Walker, William George	Southgate River, Bute Inlet	Farmer
578	Walsh, Richard	Union	Stableman
579	Watt, Michael	Hornby Island	Labourer
580	Watson, Charles	Allen avenue, Union	Clerk
581	Watson, Andrew D.	Waverley Hotel, Cumberland	Miner
582	Watson, Harry Robinson	Lot 2, Block 8, Cumberland	Clerk
583	Weir, John Joseph	Lot 12, Block 15, Cumberland	Clerk
584	Welsh, William	Upper Swamp, Denman Island	Farmer
585	Wenborn, William	Union	Butcher
586	Whelan, Patrick	Lot 196, Clerk	Farmer
587	White, Thomas	Union	Miner
588	Whitney, Charles Francis	Comox	Publisher
589	Whitney, Mayo	Comox	Publisher
590	Whittaker, Benjamin	Southgate River, Bute Inlet	Farmer
591	Whyte, John	Union	Weighman
592	Whyte, Walter	Union	Weighman
593	Whyte, Charles	Union	Weighman
594	Whyte, James	Union	Overman
595	Willemar, Jules Xavier	Comox	Clergyman
596	Williams, Thomas	Hornby Island	Farmer
597	Williams, Thomas Edmund	Point Holmes	Farmer
598	Williams, George	Cortez Island	Logger
599	Williams, John	Cortez Island	Cruiser
600	Williams, Cicero Charles	Malcolm Island	Rancher
601	Williams, John Thomas	Upper Settlement, Comox	Farmer
602	Williams, John	Union	Hotel-keeper
603	Williams, Jenkin	Cumberland	Miner
604	Williams, Francis Zwickle	N.E. Cor. 4th St. & Penrith Ave., Cumberland	Miner
605	Wilson, Walter	Union	Labourer
606	Wilson, Daniel	Alert Bay	Accountant
607	Wilson, John S.	Courtenay	Butcher
608	Wilson, Joseph	Union	Miner
609	Wildgrube, William	Malaspina Inlet	Logger
610	Wilkinson, Abraham	Waverley Hotel, Cumberland	Miner
611	Winger, George	Comox	Farmer
612	Winters, Charles Henry Wm.	Valdez Island	Farmer
613	Wollacott, Philip	Alert Bay	Constable
614	Woods, Thomas	Comox	Teamster
615	Wood, Edward	Union	Liveryman
616	Woodruff, Henry	Beech's Farm, Comox	Labourer
617	Wylie, Edgar Wilmot	Read Island	Farmer
618	Young, David Freeman	Union	Engineer
619	Young, Robinson	Union	Miner

Certified correct.

W. B. ANDERSON,
Collector.

Cumberland, B. C., 9th June, 1898.

List of Persons added to Register of Voters, Comox Electoral District,
under Section 22, "Redistribution Act, 1898," to 7th June, 1898.

620	Addison, Robert	Cumberland	Carpenter
621	Anderson, Lewis	Malaspina Hotel, Lund	Free miner
622	Anderson, John	Malaspina Hotel, Lund	Lumberman
623	Anderson, Frank	Malaspina Hotel, Lund	Lumberman
624	Archibald, Thomas	Lot 113 Shoal Bay, Thurlow Island	Hotel-keeper
625	Archibald, Hugh W.	Thurlow Hotel, Shoal Bay	Miner
626	Barbrick, Duncan Cameron	Haslam's Camp, Discovery Pass'ge, Valdez Id.	Logger

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627	Browne, James W. L.	Skookum Chuck Mining Claim, Valdez Id.	Free miner
628	Browne, James	Shoal Bay, Thurlow Island	Miner
629	Cameron, Angus	Thurlow Hotel, Shoal Bay, Thurlow Island ..	Miner
630	Cameron, John	Thurlow Hotel, Shoal Bay, Thurlow Island ..	Miner
631	Cameron, John	Malaspina Hotel, Lund	Free miner
632	Carleson, John	Malaspina Hotel, Lund	Free miner
633	Carter, James	Lot 82, Comox	Farmer
634	Casswell, Richard Henry	Lot 156, Shoal Bay, Thurlow Island	Hotelman
635	Chalmers, Robt.	Robb's Farm, Comox.	Farm labourer
636	Childs, Frank	Sec. 23, Comox	Farmer
637	Costello, Joseph M.	Thurlow Hotel, Shoal Bay, Thurlow Island ..	Miner
638	Crawford, Frank	G. McLean's, Windermere Ave., Cumberland.	Miner
639	Dairs, John Wm.	Waverley House, Cumberland	Miner
640	Dickinson, Tom	Maryport avenue, Cumberland	Miner
641	Dodds, Wm. Causton	Cumberland	Clergyman
642	Edwards, Thos.	Lot 10, Bk. 10, Penrith Ave., Cumberland ...	Carpenter
643	Ellis, Wm.	Lot 158, Loughborough Inlet	Farmer
644	Farquhar, James B.	Lots 11 & 12, Vict. St., Shoal Bay, Thurlow Id.	Assayer
645	Fletcher, Donald	Urquhart's Sawmill, Courtenay	Labourer
646	Forbes, David H.	Thurlow Hotel, Lt. 113, Shoal Bay, Thurlow I.	Logger
647	Fraser, John Alex.	Nelson House, Union Bay	Clerk
648	Fraser, John Roderick	Union Bay	Labourer
649	Galbraith, Malcolm	Vendome Hotel, Union Bay	Miner
650	Gibson, John	Old Butcher Shop, Union	Miner
651	Gray, David Stewart	Lot 157, Loughborough Inlet	Farmer and logger
652	Gunn, Alexander Hugh	Lot 113, Shoal Bay, Thurlow Island	Miner
653	Halliday, Robert Merle Jamieson	Lots 19 and 20, Comox	Farmer
654	Harwood, Fred	Maryport avenue, Cumberland	Miner
655	Hoult, Wm	Church street, Cumberland	Miner
656	Huband, Wm.	Lot 116, Comox	Farmer
657	Jackson, Edward Phillip	Thurlow Hotel, Shoal Bay, Thurlow Island ..	Miner
658	Johnson, Frank	Malaspina Hotel, Lund	Lumberman
659	Johnson, Eric	Malaspina Hotel, Lund	Ship carpenter
660	Johnson, Hujo	Malaspina Hotel, Lund	Lumberman
661	Kells, Henry	S. Davis' store, Dunsmuir avenue, Cumberland	Boot and shoemaker
662	Knott, Francis Alden	Lot 156, Shoal Bay, Thurlow Island	Miner
663	Landells, Robert	J. McPhee's, Courtenay	Teacher
664	Leahy, Daniel	Lot 156, Shoal Bay, Thurlow Island	Miner
665	Ledingham, Wilton James	Lot No. 20, Courtenay	Blacksmith
666	Lowry, John	Lot 156, Shoal Bay, Thurlow Island	Carpenter
667	Machin, Wm. Charles	Part Sec. 32, 44, 82A, Comox	Farmer
668	Marsh, Thomas	Malaspina Hotel, Lund	Lumberman
669	Marshall, Arthur Ramsay	Lot 156, Shoal Bay, Thurlow Island	Miner
670	Mathias, Phillip Frederick	Private dwelling, Shoal Bay, Thurlow Island.	Agent Gold Fields of
671	Menzies, John Alexander	Saw Mill, Union	Millhand [B.C., Ltd.
672	Merrick, James	Lot 113, Shoal Bay, Thurlow Island	Logger
673	Miles, Wm.	New England Hotel, Cumberland	Miner
674	Moffatt, Andrew	New England Hotel, Cumberland	Miner
675	Moren, Pete	Malaspina Hotel, Lund	Lumberman
676	Morgan, Thomas K.	Waverley Hotel, Lt. 156, Shoal Bay, Thurlow I	Miner
677	Morrison, Donald W.	Thurlow Hotel, Lt. 113, Shoal Bay, Thurlow I	Logger
678	Mounce, Lewis	Lots 1, 2, 3, Block 2, Cumberland	Mill owner
679	McArthur, James Alexander	S.W. $\frac{1}{4}$ 29, Tp. 3, Salmon River	Farmer
680	McCallum, Frank	Malaspina Hotel, Lund	Shipwright
681	McDonald, Lauchlin Charles	Penrith avenue, Cumberland	Carpenter
682	McEwen, Malcolm	Lot 156, Shoal Bay, Thurlow Island	Miner
683	McFadyen, John	Malaspina Hotel, Lund	Lumberman

RETURN

To an Order of the House for a Return of copies of all correspondence between the Government and any person whatsoever, in connection with the employment of Chinese or Japanese labour below ground in the metallurgical mines of this Province.

JAMES BAKER,

Provincial Secretary and Minister of Mines.

Provincial Secretary's Office,

28th February, 1898.

Letter from C. B. Rabson to the Attorney-General, dated 15th September, 1897.

Under the "Mine Labour Act, 1897," clause 12 prohibits Chinese underground in metal mines. I proceeded to lay information against R. Blewett, Manager Van Anda Mine, before A. A. Forbes, J. P. Said J. P. refused to take the information on the ground that said Act was not constitutional.

I might add that the said Forbes is living in Blewett's house, Van Anda, and same is the place to apply to the Dr. for a summons. There I was accosted by E. Blewett and ordered out of the Doctor's office.

Such is the state of affairs at Van Anda. Kindly inform me how to proceed in this matter against the Manager of Van Anda, since Dr. A. A. Forbes, J. P., has refused to take the information. Said Manager Blewett is an American citizen. Trusting you will inform me by return.

Letter from Deputy Attorney-General to C. B. Rabson, dated September 17th, 1897.

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your communication of the 15th inst., asking instructions how to proceed under the "Inspection of Metalliferous Mines Act, 1897,"

I beg to call your attention to section 34 of such Act and also to recommend that proceedings, if any, be taken before a Justice other than one residing on the mine and under the same roof as the Manager.

Letter from A. A. Forbes, J. P., to Attorney-General, dated 15th September, 1897.

I beg to inform you that a party came to me to lodge information against the Van Anda Mining Co., of Texada, the complaint being the above Company are employing Chinamen underground in defiance of the law. Consolidated Statutes, 1897, Cap. 27, Act 12.

Having heard that there has been a decision given in the Courts against the above Act I deemed it best not to take the information until I could communicate with you on the subject.

Will be obliged for instructions on the matter. This question is of grave importance up here amongst the miners.

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684	McGregor, Donald Stewart	Paulson's Boarding House, Union Bay	
685	McGuire, James	Lot 9, Block 5, Cumberland	Miner
686	McLeod, James	Malaspina Hotel, Lund	Free miner
687	McNeil, Thomas	Gold Fields B.C. Co, Shoal Bay, Thurlow Is'd	Miner
688	McNiven, John	Anthony's House, Cumberland	Clerk
689	Nash, Martin	Fanny Bay, Phillips Arm.	Farmer
690	Norman, Martin	Malaspina Hotel, Lund	Free miner
691	O'Brien, Thomas	Malaspina Hotel, Lund	Free miner
692	O'Brian, Thomas	Thurlow Hotel, Shoal Bay	Miner
693	O'Neal, John	Thurlow Hotel, Lot 113, Shoal Bay	Miner
694	Pamphlet, Thomas	Malaspina Hotel, Lund	Free miner
695	Parkin, Wm.	Lot 119, Comox	Farmer
696	Partridge, Frank	Lot 6, Block 3, Cumberland	Clerk
697	Pollock, Wm	Lot 2, Block 5, Cumberland	Miner
698	Ramsay, Wm. Francis	Penrith avenue, Cumberland	Farmer
699	Reveler, William Thos.	Lot 1,559, Boat Harbour, Cracroft Island	Farmer
700	Rothery, William	New England Hotel, Cumberland	Miner
701	Schmidt, Charles Joseph	Pre-emption claim, Cortez Island	Lumberman
702	Segrave, Charles C.	Lot 6, Bk. 6, Dunsmuir Ave., Cumberland	Printer
703	Smith, James Broughton	Lot 154, Comox	Farmer
704	Smith, Richard James	Lot 27, Comox	Farmer
705	Smith, Thomas Reid	Lot No. 20, Courtenay	Blacksmith
706	Smith, Alfred James	Fanny Bay, Phillips Arm.	Farmer
707	Smith, Peter James	Lot 255, Shoal Bay, Thurlow Island	Miner
708	Stager, John C.	Thurlow Hotel, Lt. 113, Shoal Bay, Thurlow I.	Miner
709	Stevens, Geo.	Lot 9, Block A, Cumberland	Contractor
710	Stiles, Wm. L.	Deep Water Bay, Discovery Pass'ge, Valdez I.	Farmer
711	Storie, Wm.	Union	Miner
712	Strang, Robert	Strang's Bakery, Cumberland	Baker
713	Thulin, Frederick	Lot No. 91, Lund	Merchant
714	Tugnett, James Edward	Thurlow Hotel, Shoal Bay, Thurlow Island	Carpenter
715	Ward, John	Lot 3, Knight's Inlet	Farmer
716	Wilson, John	Thurlow Hotel, Shoal Bay	Logger
717	Wilson, James	Malaspina Hotel, Lund	Lumberman
718	Williams, Thomas	Grant & Mounce's Farm, Comox	Gardener
719	Wright, Alex.	Frederick Arm	Miner

Certified correct.

W. B. ANDERSON,
Collector.

Cumberland, B. C., 9th June, 1898.

Memorandum of Names transferred by request from Comox Electoral District, "Redistribution Act, 1898."

Keene, Charles E.	To Nanaimo	William Grieve	To Nanaimo
John Piercy	To Nanaimo	Frank Viles	To Nanaimo
C. B. Rabson			

W. B. ANDERSON, Collector.

VICTORIA, B. C.:

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Letter from Deputy Attorney-General to A. A. Forbes, J. P., dated September 18th, 1897.

In reply to your communication of the 15th inst., respecting proceedings under section 12 of the "Metalliferous Mines Inspection Act, 1897," I have the honour to inform you that a case raising the constitutionality of a similar provision in regard to coal mines, stands for hearing at the next session of the Supreme Court of Canada at Ottawa.

I would further draw your attention to section 34, of the same Act, which requires the prosecution to be instituted by an Inspector under the Act, or with the consent in writing of the Minister of Mines.

NANAIMO, B. C., 4th January, 1898.

DEAR COLONEL BAKER,—I am informed by reliable correspondents on Texada Island that Mr. Blewett, of the Van Anda mine, is discharging all of his white miners and substituting in their places Chinese miners, contrary to the spirit and provisions of the "Metallurgical Act" passed last session. From what I can learn the wages of the whites were reduced to the sum of \$2.00 per diem, out of which \$1.00 per diem was deducted for board. Apart from the attempt to lower wages which, of course, is a matter strictly of the company's concern, but which in the interest of labour should, if possible, be prevented, I am also told on the very best authority that previous to the last visit of Mr. Carlyle, most of the miners were Chinese, and further *that not one of these heathens was possessed of a mining licence*, whereby the Province lost a considerable sum to the revenue. Mr. Bate, the assessor and collector for the district of North Nanaimo, collected a poll tax which, by the way, was paid by Mr. Blewett with or by a cheque which, on presentation at the bank, was refused acceptance, and it was some time before the amount was finally made good. From all I can hear they are a "snide" outfit, and of little good to the country. What I would take the liberty of suggesting is that some person be authorised to at once proceed to Texada, and if any difficulty is found in enforcing the "Act" so far as it deals with "Chinese" above or below ground, that he (the authorised person) should at least see that no Chinese person is allowed to work around the mine unless he has paid and has the necessary licence to do so. But some steps should also be taken to guard against impersonation. There cannot be the least shadow of a doubt but that each and every Chinese person will (and be assisted to a certain extent by the Company) endeavour to make one licence do duty for more than one. In fact, I very much fear that some attempt might be made to make these licences, the property of the company should the original owner leave the employ, to do duty for any that might take their places. In the meantime much dissatisfaction has existed among the white miners during the whole of last summer because they have been compelled to have licences while the Chinese have escaped "scot free." I am not surprised at it. I hope that this matter will receive the attention of the Department so that the miners of Texada Island may have their minds disabused of the idea that the laws of this country are, so far as the Government is concerned, administered only in the interests of the Mongolian. The remarks that I have made allude, with equal force, to other parts of the Province where Chinese are permitted to work in metalliferous mines.

Wishing you a happy and prosperous New Year, believe me to be

Yours, etc.,

(Signed) W. WYMOND WALKEM.

*Lt.-Col. the Hon. James Baker,
Minister of Mines, Victoria, B. C.*

PROVINCIAL SECRETARY'S OFFICE,
VICTORIA, B. C., 10th January, 1898.

DEAR SIR,—I am in receipt of your letter of the 4th instant in relation to the collection of mining licences from Chinese working in mines.

I am forwarding a copy of your letter to Mr. Bray, with instructions to look closely into the matter.

I am, etc.,
(Signed) JAMES BAKER,
Minister of Mines.

W. Wymond Walkem, Esq., M.P.P.,
Nanaimo.

PROVINCIAL SECRETARY'S OFFICE,
VICTORIA, B. C., 11th January, 1898.

SIR,—I am directed by the Minister of Mines to forward, herewith, for your information, a letter from Dr. W. W. Walkem, M.P.P., in which he represents that Chinese are being employed at the Van Anda mine on Texada Island, contrary to the provisions of Section 12 of the "Inspection of Metalliferous Mines Act, 1897."

The Minister desires that you will cause inquiry to be made respecting the correctness or otherwise of the said representation, and report to him the result of such inquiry.

I am, etc.,
(Signed) A. CAMPBELL REDDIE,
Deputy Provincial Secretary.

M. Bray, Gold Commissioner,
Nanaimo.

GOVERNMENT OFFICE,
NANAIMO, B. C., January 13th, 1898.

SIR,—I have the honour to acknowledge yours of 11th instant, enclosing W. W. Walkem's letter in reference to the Chinese employed in the Van Anda Mine on Texada Island. I beg to state that I have heard from parties that the Company have discharged the white miners because they would not work for \$2.00 per day, and are now employing Chinese. This company were employing Chinese last October when I was up on the Island, and I then called their attention to the "Metalliferous Mines Act," and I also called their attention to the "Mineral Act," section 8, and said I required a Free Miner's Certificate from all of their workmen, but they were hard up at the time and I could not get the money from them, but would give me a cheque for the amount, but having \$140.00 worth of cheques at that time which the banks refused to honour, I did not want any more on that line; but last month they squared up the cheques, and I think they are in funds now. If you think it advisable, I can go up or send a constable to make these collections for their Chinese Free Miner's Certificates and lay an information under the "Metalliferous Mines Act of 1897." I purpose going down to Victoria to-morrow, and I will call on you either to-morrow or the following day and discuss the matter and receive your instructions.

Yours, etc.,
(Signed) MARSHAL BRAY,
Gold Commissioner.

P.S.—Find enclose Walkem's letter, as per your instructions.

M. BRAY, G. C.

A. Campbell Reddie, Esq.,
Deputy Provincial Secretary, Victoria, B. C.

PROVINCIAL SECRETARY'S OFFICE,
VICTORIA, B.C., 18th January, 1898.

SIR,—With regard to your letter of the 13th instant respecting the reports that have reached you as to the employment of Chinese at the Van Anda mine, and intimating that on a previous occasion you had called the attention of the Company to section 12 of the "Inspection of Metalliferous Mines Act," I have to request that you will take steps to ascertain if the Company are infringing the provisions of the said section, and in that event to proceed by laying an information as provided for in the said Act.

I am, etc.,
(Signed) JAMES BAKER,
Provincial Secretary and Minister of Mines.

The Gold Commissioner, Nanaimo.

NANAIMO, B. C., 26th January, 1898.

DEAR SIR,—With regard to the employment of Chinese in the metallurgical mines on Texada Island, I fancy that some difficulty may arise in the application of the penalty, from the indefinite directions as contained in the Act; but I see no difficulty in the collection of the mining licences from these Chinese and their punishment for not having them. I understand the Raven mine was worked by Chinese last fall, and I cannot understand why the Chinese who worked in that mine were not compelled to take out mining licences. Not only is the employment of Chinese in these mines detrimental to the country, and especially to the labouring element who are living in it and helping to build it up, but the permitting of these Chinese to work in the mines without taking out the necessary licence, which is exacted so strictly from whites, does not give the labouring element that confidence in the administration of even-handed justice in the Province which they should have. I am not one of those who are inclined to allow Americans to come in here and practically set our laws at defiance, and I feel certain that you, as Minister of Mines, will take the same stand, but it is a matter of regret that the collection of this part of the revenue from these miserable Chinese should not have been attended to before this, as I feel certain that many of them will escape the tax altogether. At any rate these Americans, who would not be here if it were not for their own benefit, ought to be taught the lesson that their Chinese friends must contribute to the revenue of the country.

I am, etc.,
(Signed) W. WYMOND WALKEM.
Lt.-Col. Hon. James Baker,
Minister of Mines, Victoria, B. C.

PROVINCIAL SECRETARY'S OFFICE,
VICTORIA, B. C., 29th January, 1898.

DEAR SIR,—I am in receipt of your letter of the 26th instant in relation to the collection of mining licences from the Chinese, and I have already given instructions to the Government Agent to ask his serious attention to the subject.

I am, etc.,
(Signed) JAMES BAKER,
Provincial Secretary.
W. Wymond Walkem, Esq., M.P.P., M.D.,
Nanaimo.

PROVINCIAL SECRETARY'S OFFICE,
VICTORIA, B. C., 29th January, 1898.

DEAR SIR,—I enclose copy of letter received from Dr. Walkem, and shall be obliged if you will give your close attention to the subject without delay.

I am, etc.,
(Signed) JAMES BAKER,
Provincial Secretary.

Marshal Bray, Esq., Government Agent, Nanaimo.

NANAIMO, B. C., January 29th, 1898.

SIR,—I have the honour to state in reference to your consent of 18th inst., to lay information against the Manager or Agent of the Van Anda Copper & Gold Co., Limited, if they were employing Chinese under ground in contravention of the provisions of section 12 "Inspection of Metalliferous Mines Act," that I sent Provincial Constable McIndoo to Texada Island on 27th inst. He went to the Van Anda Co. mines and found them employing 8 or 10 Chinese below ground. McIndoo got the names of two Chinese and the names of two white men to be used as witnesses for the prosecution, and the name of the present Manager or Foreman, as Mr. Blewett, the supposed Manager, is in Chicago. McIndoo then went to the local Justice of the Peace, A. A. Forbes, who lives on Texada Island, to lay the information, and gave him my letter explaining that your consent was given to me to institute the prosecution, and that all I wished (to save time and the expense of another trip to Texada) was for him to take the information, and that Mr. Bate would hear the case either on Texada Island or here in Nanaimo. Mr. Forbes positively refused to take the information which McIndoo had prepared for the prosecution of said Company, on the ground that he, Forbes, personally had no written consent from you that a prosecution should be instituted and that he did not care to whom your consent was given, but that he must have your consent to him personally. Now, this is a very strange action of Mr. Forbes, as he was not asked to institute a prosecution but only asked, as a Justice of the Peace, to take the information.

If I understand the Act aright, prosecution is instituted and at the hearing if such consent could not be produced, the Justice hearing the case would, of course, dismiss the same. This stand taken by Mr. Forbes is certainly incomprehensible unless he is interested in the Van Anda mine, and in that case his action is perfectly plain but very foolish. Mr. Forbes takes another point for the defendants, namely, that the Manager, Mr. Blewett, is away and the man now in charge of the mine, E. Reed, is not Manager, but Mr. McIndoo questioned Mr. Reed, and Reed says he is the Foreman of the mine and that he hires and discharges the men. Now, in this case, if he is not the Manager he is the Manager's agent and has control of the mine during the Manager's absence, and will come under section 29 of the Act in any case. Now, Mr. Forbes' action in this matter puts the Government to more expense, as the constable will have to lay the information here and go up to Texada on Thursday next, the 3rd of February, to serve the summons on Mr. Reed and on the witnesses for the prosecution, and either Mr. Bate will go up to Texada afterwards to hear the case, or have it tried here in Nanaimo. If the case is heard on Texada, I will have to go up to prove your consent, and I cannot very well spare the time, therefore I think the case had better be heard in Nanaimo as no doubt the defendant will want counsel. Please let me know if this is agreeable to you and also please to let me know if Mr. Reed is to be prosecuted as manager or agent, and please to let me know if, under the circumstances, on or before Wednesday next, the 2nd February, I shall go on with the proceedings in order that I may send the constable up on Thursday morning next. If you have not time to write please wire yes or no. I might state that the miners on Texada are considerably worked up about the action of Mr. Forbes in this matter, and he has not helped himself any by informing them that he proposes writing to you to have the proceedings stopped. Mr. Forbes is living in the Van Anda Company's house and probably he feels himself under obligations to them, but his actions and conduct have always been, to say the least, very erratic.

I have, etc.,

(Signed)

MARSHAL BRAY,
Government Agent.

The Honourable James Baker,
Minister of Mines, Victoria, B. C.

NANAIMO, B. C., 30th January, 1898.

DEAR SIR,—Since my last communication to you Constable McIndoo has returned from Texada Island, whither he had gone for the purpose of laying information against the Van Anda Co. for a breach of the "Metallurgical Act" in employing Chinese below ground. He was unsuccessful in his mission, not in the lack of the necessary evidence on which to lay an information, but in getting your latest appointee to the position of J. P. to take the information. I understand he positively refused to take it, on grounds which I suppose will be reported to you by the Gold Commissioner. I was not surprised to hear this, as I had been informed by a resident there that if the J. P. took any information his residence there would be of short duration, as he is, so I understand, under the thumb of the foreman or manager of the Van Anda Mine.

When this so-called Dr. (?) Forbes was gazetted a J. P., I was perfectly amazed at the designation used by the Government, who styled him M. D. against the provisions of the "Medical Act." If I am not very much mistaken, this Dr. (?) Forbes is an American citizen, who canvassed the island with a petition for his own appointment, with a statement in his mouth that the Government intended to divide the district in two, and that it was therefore to the interests of those settled there to have him Dr. (?) Forbes, appointed to the Commission of the Peace. This man is not on the Medical Register of this Province, and consequently when he calls or styles himself an M. D. he is violating the Act. I am also told by a large majority of those who signed the petition that they would not have done so only that they did not like to refuse, as he had the petition in his own hand asking for signatures. Cranks of this description are better off the list of those holding Her Majesty's Commissions of the Peace.

I hope the Government will see their way to push this violation of the Act to the fullest extent of the law, and that they will go a step further and see that the companies employing Chinese are made accountable for the necessary licences which are so carefully collected from the white miners.

The employment of Chinese below ground in any mine is a source of danger, and their presence in a mining camp a curse to the country.

I am, etc.,
(Signed) W. WYMOND WALKEM.

Lt.-Col. Hon. James Baker,
Minister of Mines, Victoria, B. C.

PROVINCIAL SECRETARY'S OFFICE,
VICTORIA, B. C., 2nd February, 1898.

DEAR SIR,—I am in receipt of your letter of the 30th ultimo, in reference to the employment of Chinese in the Van Anda Mine, and also calling my attention to the conduct of Mr. Forbes, J.P., in regard to the action taken by Mr. Bray in accordance with my orders.

The matter of the conduct of Mr. Forbes will be laid before the Attorney-General for his consideration, and you will have already learned that Mr. Bray has been given full instructions to take action in the matter.

I am, etc.,
(Signed) JAMES BAKER,
Provincial Secretary.

W. W. Walkem, Esq., M.D., M.P.P.,
Nanaimo.

PROVINCIAL SECRETARY'S OFFICE,
VICTORIA, B. C., 16th February, 1898.

SIR,—Adverting to correspondence relative to the violation of the provisions of section 12 of the "Inspection of Metalliferous Mines Act" by the Van Anda Company, and more particularly to your letter of the 29th ultimo to the Minister of Mines in the said connection, I am directed to forward for your information the enclosed copy of a letter from Dr. A. A. Forbes, J. P., reporting to the Attorney-General his reasons for declining to take the information laid in pursuance of the said Act.

I am, etc.,
(Signed) A. CAMPBELL REDDIE,
Deputy Provincial Secretary.

*Marshal Bray, Esq., G. C.,
Government Agent, Nanaimo.*

Letter from A. A. Forbes, J.P., to Attorney-General, dated January 8th, 1898.

Provincial Constable McIndoo, from Nanaimo, came before me to-day to lay information against the Van Anda Copper and Gold Mining Co., for working Chinamen underground in defiance of section 12 of Metalliferous Act. He brought a letter from Hon. M. Bray in which Mr. Bray said that he had received written authority from Minister of Mines to lay such information.

I find, under section 34 of same Act, it is required that the person laying the information must have the consent, in writing, of the Minister of Mines or that the prosecution be instituted by Inspector of Mines.

Mr. Bray's letter being unofficial, and the constable who came not being in possession of a written authority from Minister of Mines, I did not deem myself justified in taking the information.

I, therefore, pray that you will give me such instructions as will enable me to act according to law in this case.

I beg to draw your attention to correspondence of September 15th and 18th of this same case. On receipt of yours of September 18th last, I had an interview with Mr. Blewett, manager of the Van Anda Co. He stated to me that he would not work Chinamen underground any more. He discharged a number of his Chinamen, and retained a few to do surface work.

Since that date no Chinaman has worked underground except in the third week of December last, when a number of the white men quit work, leaving the shaft, which they were then timbering, in a dangerous condition of caving in, as its walls were loose and surface water forcibly falling.

Mr. Blewett was then absent, and the foreman had no alternative but to put a few Chinamen in for a few shifts to get the timbers in place and save the mine from caving in. He wrote at once to Mr. Blewett, stating the case and asking for more men. Men were sent at once and the Chinamen were displaced, and from that time to date no Chinaman has worked underground.

I am personally acquainted with these facts and state them in case they should have any bearing on the instructions you give me on the case.

VICTORIA, B. C.

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WELLINGTON AND DEPARTURE BAY ROAD.

James Craig, Foreman.

Filled in 27 yards, 25 feet wide, by 5 feet deep.

Made 1 culvert, 40 feet long, 3 feet wide, by 2 feet deep.

" 1 " 24 " 1 foot " 1 foot "

General repairing made along line of road.

FISHER'S AND HARDY'S ROAD.

James Craig, Foreman.

Forest cleared 735 yards, 20 feet wide.

Grubbed 735 " 10 "

Graded 735 " 10 "

NANOOSE ROAD.

James Craig, Foreman.

General repairs made along line of road in cutting out brush, &c., &c.

ROAD FROM IRON MINE TO VAN ANDA, TEXADA ISLAND.

James Craig, Foreman.

Grubbed 2,600 yards, 8 feet wide.

Graded 2,600 " 8 "

Excavated rock 40 cubic feet out of road-bed.

Made 2 culverts, 12 feet long, 1 foot wide, and 1 foot deep.

TRAIL FROM PRIEST'S LAKE TO VAN ANDA, TEXADA ISLAND.

James Craig, Foreman.

Forest cleared, 1,900 yards, 6 feet wide.

TRAIL FROM BAY BELOW RAVEN, TOWARDS GILLIS BAY, TEXADA ISLAND.

James Craig, Foreman.

Forest cleared 2,500 yards, 8 feet wide.

S. HAMILTON'S ROAD.

Robt. Craig, Foreman.

Gravelled 400 yards, 6 feet wide, by 8 inches deep.

CROSS ROAD FROM HIRST'S TO ALBERNI ROAD.

Robt. Craig, Foreman.

Forest cleared 850 yards, 30 feet wide.

Grubbed 525 " 15 "

Graded 525 " 15 "

Ditched 1,050 " on one side.

Excavated earth 60 cubic yards.

Gravelled 20 yards, 8 feet wide by 6 inches deep.

CROSS ROAD FROM MCKINNON'S TO ERRINGTON.

Robt. Craig, Foreman.

Grubbed 800 yards, 8 feet wide.

Graded 800 " 8 "

Ditched 240 " 3 " 18 inches deep.

" 484 " partly on both sides of road.

Made 7 culverts, 16 feet long, 5 feet wide by 2 feet deep.

 PORT MOODY TRUNK ROAD AND ROAD TO HEAD OF PORT MOODY BAY.

James Gunn, Foreman.

Forest cleared 1,760 yards, averaging 66 feet wide.
 Ditched 2,640 " 3 feet by 2 feet.
 Corduroyed 88 " 12 " 3 inches.
 Filled in 20 " 30 feet wide, and averaging 3 feet deep.
 Gravelled 440 " 14 feet by 4 inches.
 Made 5 culverts, averaging 4 feet by 2 feet, by 16 feet.

ROAD ON THE NORTH SHORE PORT MOODY BAY.

James Gunn, Foreman.

Cut and removed all brush, logs, etc.
 Corduroyed 110 yards, 14 feet by 3 inches.
 Made 4 culverts, averaging 3 feet by 2 feet by 12 feet.
 Built 1 bridge, 20 feet long by 16 feet wide, and covered with split cedar.

PORT MOODY NORTH ROAD TO ALICEVILLE.

Jas. Gunn, Foreman.

Cut and removed all brush and logs along both sides of road.
 Cut and removed logs, etc., from ditches, and ditched 88 chains, 3 feet by 2 feet.
 Total cost, about \$611.

CONSTRUCTION OF PUBLIC WHARF AT LUNDS, MALASPINA STRAITS.

R. F. Bonson, Foreman.

Wharf, 40 feet by 60 feet, rests on piles, braced and bolted, and covered with 2-inch by 12-inch fir plank.
 Cost, about \$1,000.

KANAKA CREEK BRIDGE.

R. F. Bonson, Foreman.

410 feet long, 20 feet high and 14 feet wide.
 Maple Ridge Municipality, special appropriation, \$600.
 Renewed superstructure, put in new caps, corbels, and stringers; new covering 2-inch by 12-inch, and new hand-rails.
 Cost, about \$620.

LILLOOET BRIDGE, MAPLE RIDGE MUNICIPALITY.

R. F. Bonson, Foreman.

Screwing up truss, etc.; cost, about \$39.
 Constructed a double crib on the upper side of Lillooet Bridge to prevent the river from cutting in behind the south approach.
 Dimensions and particulars of cribwork, etc., at the Lillooet Bridge:—290 feet of double cribbing, 5 feet 6 inches, and 9 feet high, tied every 6 feet and fastened with $\frac{5}{8}$ -inch drift-bolts, and filled with rock.
 Appropriation, \$1,000.

COQUITLAM BRIDGE, Coquitlam Municipality. Special appropriation, \$2,000.

R. F. Bonson, Foreman.

Built and painted 2 Howe trusses of 105 feet spans, on sub-structure erected in 1896; finished 120 feet of approaches and hand-rails, and placed 10 flat carloads of quarried rock around the abutments.
 Built 1 bent bridge 140 feet long, 8 feet high, and 14 feet wide.
 Cost, about \$2,224.50.