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EXCERPTS FROM THE MAINLAND GUARDIAN, NEW WESTMINSTER.

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ADVERTISEMENTS, 7 AUGUST 1872.

# HASTINGS HOTEL, Burrard Inlet. This well-known house is situated at the terminus of the road from New Westminster, and adjacent to the Ferry whence the boat plys to the various Mills. Travellers can be accommodated with good Beds and Meals at all hours. A good stock of Liquor and Cigars.

MAXIMILLIEN MICHAUD
Proprietor.

# Inserted continuously until last available issue, 26 September 1874. (Note: believed to be “Portuguese Joe.”)

# G. FERNANDES, Burrard Inlet. Encourage home industry. Dealer in Provisions, Groceries, Dry Goods, etc. etc. Prepares Best Ground Coffee, and Black and White Pepper in the Colony. Give them a trial.

HASTINGS SAWMILL COMPANY, Burrard Inlet, B.C. The above mill is now in full working order and capable of filling orders for all descriptions of Lumber, Timber, Spars, etc., upon as reasonable terms as any mill on the coast. Quick Despatch Guaranteed. Orders received in Victoria by Dickson, DeWolf & Co.

(Last appearance of this ad, 30 August 1873.)

JOHN LAWLESS. Public notice, During my absence from Burrard Inlet, I authorise W.T. Jones as my duly appointed attorney to collect all monies that may be due to me and his receipt for same is a valid and legal discharge. JOHN LAWLESS.

NEWS ITEM, 1 MARCH 1873 – TOMPKINS BREW. COLLECTOR OF CUSTOMS. CONSTABLE.

We are very much pleased to meet our old friend, Tompkins Brew, Deputy Collector of Customs at Burrard Inlet. He seems to be the same old hat.

(Note: excerpt, First Victoria Directory, 1869, List of Officials, Colony of British Columbia, page 67: “Customs: Revenue Officer and Constable at Burrard Inlet, Tompkins Brew, $900 [a year].”)

ADVERTISEMENTS.

6 August 1873.

A. McCRIMMON. For Sale, a long established boot and shoe business at Granville, Burrard Inlet. The undersigned having commenced business in another line, is desirous of disposing of the good will and fixtures in the above named business which he has been carrying on for years. Apply to

A. McCRIMMON, Granville.

26 September 1874.

McCRIMMON’S SALOON, Granville. The undersigned will be glad to see any of his friends at his establishment where they will find the best LIQUORS, ALE, PORTER, & CIGARS to be had in the Market.

ALEX McCRIMMON.