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**30 NOVEMBER 1931 - OPENING OF STANLEY PARK, 1888. BURRARD INLET. VISIT OF GOVERNOR-GENERAL.**

One of the features of the ceremonies in connection with the visit to Stanley Park by Lord Stanley was an excursion trip for Lord Stanley of Preston (the Earl of Derby afterwards), probably the first excursion on the waters of Burrard Inlet. The C.P.N. steamship *Princess Louise* was used. Lord Stanley was accompanied by his son, the present Earl of Derby, as A.D.C. [aide-de-camp], and who afterwards became such a distinguished statesman, and originator of the "Derby Recruiting Scheme" during the Great War.

In 1931 the Earl of Derby wrote that he had searched his own and his mother's papers for documents, etc. relating to the opening of Stanley Park, but could find none.

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