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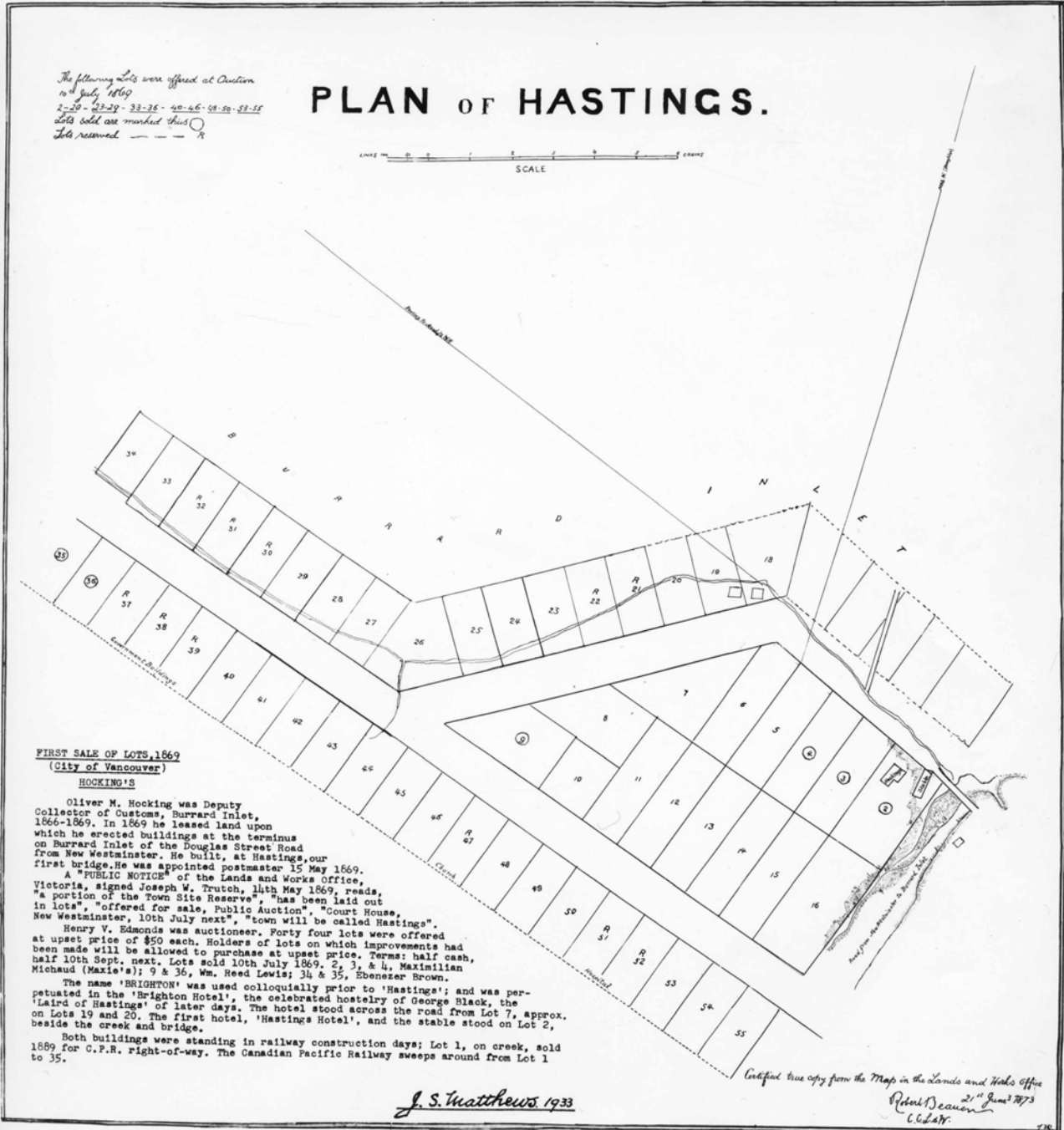
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THE DOUGLAS ROAD

Remarks of James McWhinnie at Pioneer's Picnic, 11 June 1933.

"The Douglas Road was just a narrow trail, no wider than a wagon; you bumped over it most of the way, bumpity, bumpity bump over the corduroy. There was no room to pass. Many a time I have had to pull up to let another vehicle pass, for, when you have to pass, it was hard enough, goodness knows, to find a place wide enough to do it. Then as you neared Burrard Inlet, got quite close, once in a while you got a glimpse, perhaps, through the trees, of a bit of water in the distance, Burrard Inlet."