



## MIKADO DIES: CITY ENGINEER: MASONIC EPOCH

### BANK OF MONTREAL MAY LET MAYOR AND COUNCIL GO AHEAD WITH TREASURY SCRIPT SALE

The question of the sale of further treasury certificates which came up again at the Council meeting last evening seems at last as if it had reached a definite issue. The attitude of the Bank of Montreal is as follows: That although it does not seem very enthusiastic about the city's raising more money by the sale of its treasury stock, if it is deemed absolutely necessary, then it is advised by its London agents that the offer referred to may be accepted.

During a short discussion in regard to the matter it was brought out that the bank seemed to be laboring under the impression that the money was required for fresh undertakings rather than the completion of the one main object, namely, the carrying forward and completion of the hydro electric project. The price offered by Mr. Fisher's principals of 98 was rather better than that which was obtained

by the sale of the first ones, which was 98½ less the bank's three-quarters of 1 per cent. commission. There would be no commission charged in the present case, only the exchange having to be paid upon receipt of the money here. The motion to accept the offer if it still remained good was passed, the Mayor suggesting, however, that Mr. Clancy should be first communicated with again in the matter in regard to having an interview with Mr. Fisher.

#### Pioneer Bank in Rupert.

The Canadian Bank of Commerce have subscribed \$5,000 toward the relief fund for the sufferers in the Regina disaster.

Messrs. McCaffery & Gibbons offer for sale complete house furnishings. The house, which is situated on Fifth avenue, in Section Five, and modern in every way, can be rented for \$35.

### SHIP STRUCK SUBMERGED ICEBERG

(Special to Daily News.)

St. Johns, N. B., July 30.—The steamer Inventor is in port today in a disabled condition, the result of encountering a submerged iceberg in the Straits of Belle Isle. It was necessary to jettison the deck cargo of lumber

### THE MIKADO IS DEAD; LONG LIVE THE MIKADO!

(Special to Daily News.)  
Tokio, July 30.—Crown Prince Yoshihito took oath as Emperor of Japan shortly after the death of the Emperor at noon today. The date of the funeral of the dead monarch has not yet been arranged.

before the vessel could proceed here. When she arrived she was two feet down by the bow.

### BIG SMOKE WILL BATTLE NO MORE

(Special to Daily News.)

Chicago, July 30.—Jack Johnson tonight declared that he is through with the fighting game for good. The promoters, he said, are unwilling to pay him the purse wanted.

Best room in town at Savoy.

### MARKET FOR MUNICIPALS IS NOT VERY ABSORBENT NOW; MORE INTEREST POSSIBLE

Financial circles in Montreal are interested in Alderman L. A. Lapointe's suggestion that the time has come for the city to increase its rate of interest from 4 per cent. to 4½ per cent. It will be necessary for the city to obtain the power to accomplish this from the Legislative Assembly.

Alderman Lapointe declares that money is becoming dearer and, to a considerable extent, he lays the blame of the difficulty of obtaining money upon the low rate of interest which the city is prepared to pay. He refers to the fact that New York is compelled to pay 4½ per cent. in order to obtain par for its loans. He refers to the fact that no bids were sent in last year for the \$7,000,000 loan, and assumes that this may have been due to the placing of a \$5,000,000 loan but a short time previously, upon which occasion the city secured the high rate of 101.115. That was eighteen months ago, yet the

city has never since been able to get a better offer than 97, which offer was received in January. The city now needs \$13,000,000, as \$6,000,000 is required for the current year's undertakings, in addition to the \$7,000,000 or last year. By advancing the interest to 4½ per cent., interest would be stimulated, he thought, in financial centres, and bidding would be more active, says the Monetary Times.

Notwithstanding the fact that Calgary is a popular borrower and the price of the new £500,000 sterling loan was not unreasonable, it was not attractive to the public, 85 per cent. being left on the underwriters' hands.

The city of Toronto, after repeated attempts, has sold in London £1,000,000 sterling 4 per cent. bonds at about 94½ net to the city. The market declines to take any loan at any price at this juncture, the purchase being made by an outside firm of brokers.

## NEW CITY ENGINEER IS NOW APPOINTED BY MAJORITY

The question of the appointment of a city engineer to succeed Col. W. Mahlon Davis, lately resigned, was finally disposed of last evening at the meeting of the Council. In accordance with general opinion in the city, the selection fell upon Mr. A. E. Mason. Upon the matter coming up in the course of the general business, interest was at once aroused amongst the public, as well as in the Council, as it was known that criticism existed regarding the appointment of Mr. Mason in the light of the credentials and qualifications set forth by the three other applicants whose names had been mentioned for consideration by the Board of Works.

#### Minority Report.

Alderman Bullock - Webster presented a minority report stating that while the meeting of a committee of the whole had been ostensibly called to consider the

qualifications of the several applicants, it was quite evident that it was a mere matter of form and that the selection was a foregone conclusion. He favored the appointment of C. Donnelly of Winnipeg, whose credentials were of the very highest, embracing experiences in every part of the Empire. He favored Mr. Mason's being retained as construction engineer. Alderman Douglas concurred with this and considered, as did also Alderman Maitland, that longer time should be given to the consideration of so important a matter.

#### Enough Time Wasted.

Alderman Dybhavn was most emphatically of the opinion that more than sufficient time had already been spent upon the matter, and it was to the interests of the city that a permanent appointment should at once be made. Alderman Dybhavn also

declared that the going through of the applications was not a mere matter of form. Alderman Morrissey was entirely opposed to the consideration for one moment of the application of Mr. Donnelly on the grounds that a man who held such phenomenal credentials and letters of recommendation from practically all the rulers of the different parts of the British Empire should not consider the acceptance of such a comparatively small appointment as Prince Rupert's.

Alderman Montgomery considered the discussion of Mr. Donnelly, personally, bad taste and beside the question entirely. Upon a ballot finally being taken the result was as follows: Mason, 5; Donnelly, 1; Fawkes, 1. Mr. Mason was therefore duly appointed.

## FIRE LOSS ON CONTINENT FOR MONTH OF JUNE, 1912, WAS SIXTEEN MILLIONS

The fire loss of the United States and Canada for the month of June, as compiled by the New York Journal of Commerce, shows a total of \$16,103,450, as compared with \$20,691,950 in June, 1911, which was unusually heavy, and with \$13,183,600 in June, 1910, which was about a normal record for the sixth month of the year. The losses for the first half of the year reach a total of \$134,417,750, as compared with \$129,691,750 for the first six months of 1911 and \$99,228,850 for the same time in 1910. The

following table gives a comparison of the losses by fire during the first half of 1912, with the figures for the same months in 1911, together with the losses for the balance of those years:

	1911.	1912.
January	\$21,922,450	\$35,653,450
February	16,415,000	28,601,650
March	31,569,800	16,650,850
April	17,679,550	16,394,400
May	21,422,000	21,013,950
June	20,691,950	16,103,450
Total	\$129,691,750	\$134,417,750

The Monetary Times' estimate of Canada's fire loss during June amounted to \$4,229,412, and \$14,740,499 for the first six months of 1912.

### VISITOR OF INTEREST TO ANGLICANS

Rev. Sydney Gould, M. D., arrived by the Princess May yesterday and is the guest of Bishop Du Vernet. Dr. Gould is the general secretary of the Missionary Society of the Anglican Church of Canada, and is on a tour of inspection. Among the places he proposes visiting this week in company with the Bishop are Metlakatla, Kitsumkalum, Terrace, Stewart and Granby. For some years he was a medical missionary in Jerusalem. He will preach twice in the Anglican Church here next Sunday, in the morning on his present work and in the evening on Palestine.

### TRAIN TRIP PLANNED FOR THE MASONS

In connection with the coming visit of the grand officials of the Masonic order in Canada and British Columbia, the Tsimpsaan Lodge have in view a trip on the train as far as Van Arsdol, leaving on Thursday about 9 a. m., having lunch up there and returning to the city before dinner. This would give the distinguished visitors an opportunity of viewing the magnificent scenic beauties of the line along the Skeena River.

Pantorium Pioneer Cleaners. Phone 4.

### S. S. OMINECA COMES SOUTH ON NOTABLE TRIP

Captain Jackman, one of the best known and most skilled river steamer skippers in the north, tonight brings down the Omineca from the Upper Skeena, loading with wood at Kitsumkalum for a long trip. The Omineca is going south to Vancouver to ply between that city and Howe Sound in connection with the new railroad under construction by Foley, Welch & Stewart. When she arrives in the south the Omineca will be converted into an oil burner in line with the up-to-date advances in steamship efficiency.

#### Insure Phone Employees.

At the report of the Finance committee last evening it was decided to insure the employees of the electric light and telephone systems. Also it is the intention to insure all city employees as they are taken on.

### THE GRANBY MINES MAKE GOOD MONEY

For the first six months of its current fiscal year the Granby Consolidated output totalled 11,415,684 pounds of copper. Operations for full fiscal year will not make such a satisfactory showing as was expected, however, owing to the coal strike. The company's production for the year will only be in the vicinity of 13,000,000 pounds, as compared with 18,000,000 pounds in the preceding twelve months.

The two specific elements which have been favoring Granby during the first six months of current year have been steadily increased prices received for copper and lowering its cost of production to a point where it is low under ten cents a pound. This has resulted in monthly net earnings of between \$130,000 and \$140,000.

## GRAND MASONIC BANQUET AND CEREMONIALS THIS WEEK TO CELEBRATE LODGE CONSTITUTION

Ceremonies of the utmost dignity and importance in the history of the Masonic order in Prince Rupert will take place this week. The Tyece Lodge, A. F. & A. M., formed two months ago in this city, and since that time working under a dispensation, will on Wednesday night of this week be constituted as a warranted lodge by Grand Master Rudd, of the Grand Lodge of British Columbia.

#### Arrive by Prince George.

The Grand Master, whose home

is in Nanaimo, will arrive by the steamer Prince George tomorrow morning, together with several other distinguished Masons.

Mr. Burns, grand superintendent for British Columbia of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons in Canada, will accompany the party, and will on Friday evening constitute the Kaizen Chapter as a warranted chapter of the Grand Chapter of Canada.

#### Banquet Will Be Held.

After the constitution of the Tyece Lodge on Wednesday evening a banquet to the distinguished

visitors will be given by the Tyece Lodge at the Inn, and it is anticipated that all the Masons in Prince Rupert will be in attendance to assist in celebrating the extension of the work of the order in Northern British Columbia.

On Thursday evening the Grand Lodge officers will visit the Tsimpsaan Lodge, which was formed in this city some two years ago. The various visits and ceremonials will by their dignity and extent mark something of an epoch in Masonic progress in Prince Rupert.

### POWER BOATS APPREHENSIVE OF BIG SHOT

The near approach of the firing of the big blast at the point on the G. T. P. right of way, close to where Johnson's boat house has been for so long located, is beginning to cause perturbation amongst the several owners of the mosquito fleet. Captain Babington's float has already been moved to the Rupert Marine Iron Works, and it may be deemed necessary to proceed even farther before the big blast is fired. There is a good deal of weeping and wailing amongst the small boat owners at the difficulty of finding a mooring place for their craft, the G. T. P. not being at all

### GT. BRITAIN'S PANAMA CANAL RIGHTS DENIED

(Special to Daily News.)  
Washington, July 30.—The right of Britain to participate in the legislation for the control of the Panama Canal was denied in the Senate today by Senators Bradley and Massey. They contended that not only had the United States right under the treaty to regulate her own affairs, but that the purchase of the canal zone removed the entire subject from international control.

favorably disposed to having them anywhere along the waterfront nearer than Seal Cove.

Launch Alice B., W. J. Thomas. Phone Green 391. Govt. Wharf.

### BABY BOY ALIVE AFTER BAD FALL

Last night the baby son of Charles Thomas of the Fulton Street Cash Market was playing by a sidewalk six feet from the ground level. The baby fell headlong to the earth and his forehead was seriously gashed by a broken bottle there. It was at first thought that the child was dead, but Dr. Eggert, who was instantly called in, dressed the wound and found the youngster otherwise uninjured. The child is barely three and a half years old. He is doing well today, after a miraculous escape.

Best room in town at the Savoy.

### MAYOR OF TWO YEARS MAY BE A FRAUD

(Special to Daily News.)  
Wetaskiwin, July 30.—Mayor Knox has resigned office and shortly after disappeared. His whereabouts are a mystery. The Mayor, it is said, received a cable from Aberdeen, Scotland, and the police claim that he is wanted under the fugitive offenders act. He has been sought for at least two years. He has been mayor here since 1910.

Signs Up the Pole.  
The matter of placing signs on city poles came before the City Council last evening, the city solicitor promising to take up the matter with the chief of police and see that the ordinance against using the city poles for that purpose was enforced.

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### G. T. P. BONDS GUARANTEED ON PRAIRIES

The Saskatchewan government has agreed to guarantee bonds for Grand Trunk terminal in Regina, Saskatoon, Moosejaw, Prince Albert and Swift Current. Mr. E. J. Chamberlin, president of the railroad, has issued instructions to have the necessary work undertaken without delay. Early action will also be taken to complete the Grand Trunk Pacific into Prince Albert, and carry out the proposed programme in Regina, including the erection of an hotel agreed upon with the civic authorities.

#### Chelohsin Earlier.

This week the Chelohsin enters on her new schedule, leaving Prince Rupert on Wednesdays at 5 p. m. instead of as formerly at 7 p. m.

### PRINCE RUPERT THIS TIME LAST YEAR

Prince Rupert Hydro Electric Co. purchase power boat "Strongheart" and arrange to commence work up river.

Indoor Baseball League schedule is first published for Prince Rupert.

School Board decides to alter and improve old school building on Second avenue to serve as infant side school.

First sight seeing party of tourists arrived by steamer Venture, "does Prince Rupert" in auto car.

River steamer Hazelton manages to make trip to her namesake in spite of falling water.

Conservative delegates in secret meeting decide on three names of candidates for district at Dominion election.

### PRINCE RUPERT DAILY NEWS TODAY

Japan's Emperor dies at noon. Prince Yoshihito takes oath of accession.

Jack Johnson declares he is out of the pugilistic game for good.

U. S. Senate denies Britain's rights regarding Panama Canal.

Steamer collides with iceberg in Belle Isle Straits.

Council appoints A. E. Mason city engineer.

Bank of Montreal may reluctantly assent to sale by Mayor and Council of treasury scrip outside. Market for municipals is unsatisfactory.

Important Masonic ceremonials and banquet announced.