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VANCOUVER ISLAND COAL MINERS FIGHT M'BRIDE

PUBLIC MEETING HELD LAST NIGHT TO DISCUSS SEWER BYLAW WAS A STORMY ONE

VANCOUVER I.D. COAL MINERS ARE FIGHTING M'BRIDE ALSO

NO LONGER COAL COMPANY THEY ARE FIGHTING, BUT THE GOVERNMENT WHICH TRIED TO INTIMIDATE THEM—WANT MEN TO SIGN AGREEMENT.

Vancouver, Nov. 27.—The striking miners at Cumberland, N. L. openly declare that it is no longer the Canadian Collieries Co., Ltd., that they are fighting. It is the McRide government, for sending hundreds of special police and others to intimidate the strikers.

Attorney General Bowser is also blamed in strong terms. Following is a copy of the agreement the company wants its employees to sign, and which they emphatically refuse to do:

"If the Canadian Collieries (Bunsnair), Ltd., will furnish employment in connection with the mines in Extension District, I hereby agree to work for it two years from the 7th day of November, 1912; otherwise, in all respects, upon the same terms and conditions and according to

the system and practice heretofore prevailing at such mines."

The cause of the trouble may briefly be explained that the coal miners' regulation act makes it compulsory for the men to elect one of the number on the gas committee; failing to do this within a specified time the mine inspector shall appoint a man on the committee from among the men employed in the mine.

But the act does not provide an indemnity nor will the government guarantee any protection from dismissal of any employee if he should report gas in the mine and thus carry out the safeguards intended under the act.

It is also stated that men appointed to this position were discharged for doing their duty. The wages of the men are far below those paid in other parts of the province.

ANGRY DISCUSSION ARISES ON SEWER QUESTION AND INSINUATIONS RESULT

Council Place Most Incomplete Scheme for Borrowing Millions Before the People—No Provision for Money—Mayor Gets Hot and Blames Previous Boards

When the meeting called to discuss the proposed borrowing of money to put in a sewerage system ended last night, shortly before midnight, it was a rather stormy one, accusations and charges having been made by Mayor Newton against the first council, which were repudiated by members of that body.

Mayor Newton and several of the members of the Council spoke in favor of the bylaw, while Alderman Clayton bitterly opposed its passage on the ground that it was not sufficiently clear to the people and was premature.

Questions from the audience stirred up considerable feeling, and Mayor Newton, becoming angry, forgot himself and made statements which led to an angry discussion which did not confine itself to the issue but tended more toward the financial affairs of the first city council, ending with Mayor Newton's admission that he thought that the Bank of Montreal had complete control of the disposal of the city's bond issues.

In opening the meeting Mayor Newton said that for himself he was not vitally concerned at present as to whether it was put into effect or not, the present amply supplying his own needs as far as his own property was concerned. He thought the passage of the bylaw would be the means of giving a good deal of employment and be a sign to the outside world of our progressiveness. He was absolutely satisfied with the ability of the present engineer, who was responsible for the present scheme, or he would have brought in an expert to pass upon it. He impressed upon the citizens that they were perfectly safe to cast their votes upon it, as if it was found necessary an expert could be brought in later to make any changes or alterations that might be deemed necessary. There was absolutely no substantial reason why the

citizens should vote the bylaw down.

Chairman of the Board of Works Alderman Dybhavn, who might be called the father of the scheme, next addressed the meeting.

He stated his case, advocating the passage of the bylaw much along the lines of the letter under his signature in the daily press.

It was better to start about installing at the present time a permanent system for all time than to expend a good deal of money that in a few years' time would be entirely thrown away, when another system would have to be put in. He quoted several experts' opinions in support of his contentions. He was entirely satisfied that the system at present proposed was the best suited to take care of the city's sewerage and surface drainage. He did not think at this stage, and with the knowledge available, that an expert's opinion was necessary.

Ex-Alderman Hilditch here asked the speaker as to his opinion of the benefits of a separate or combined sewerage system. City Engineer Mason came forward to answer technical questions. Mr. Hilditch asked was it not a fact that the late city engineer, Colonel Davis, whom Mr. Mason was at that time serving under, did not totally disagree with the present scheme of a combined sewerage and drainage system?

Mr. Mason somewhat evaded this, replying that he would welcome the appearance of any reputable consulting engineer to pass on his present scheme.

Alderman Clayton took the platform at this juncture amidst the applause of the audience. He facetiously referred to the statement made by his worthy friend and brother alderman, Mr. Dybhavn, that a storm in Prince Rupert had never been known to last more than twenty minutes. He was not in favor of forcing a bylaw down the throats of the

citizens. He did not care how good it might afterward turn out to be. More time should be spent upon obtaining expert advice and opinion about it. If they had a good thing it would keep and they would feel all the better afterward, when they realized they had given it their maturest and best consideration. The matter in a nutshell was that the public should only be asked to vote upon the legality of the passage of the bylaw after they were absolutely satisfied as to the wisdom of the course they were going to take.

Ex-Alderman William Lynch in opposing the bylaw's passage said it was a big question of a business nature and of the utmost importance. Was it the best plan that could be put forward, and was there a reasonable assurance that it would be ever possible to finance it? He thought contrarily in both cases.

He showed where the people of Prince Rupert would be shouldering a burden that they would be unable to shake off for generations to come. A levy of nearly fifteen mills on the dollar would be the outcome. This would be the tax they would have to pay on their assessed property for the next fifty years. For two years the City Council have been endeavoring to borrow \$550,000 for the hydro-electric proposition, and have been unsuccessful. He showed further that it was not the \$1,400,000 that was all they must consider. To complete the scheme from three and a half to four millions would be required. Outlying districts not at present in consideration would in the years to come have to receive attention, thus adding to the cost of the proposition. He favored a more modest proposition until the city had got more firmly on its feet, one similar to the system installed in the early years

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HON. T. W. WHITE SPEAKS IN DEBATE ON ADDRESS

Several Important Bills to Be Introduced This Session.

Ottawa, Nov. 27.—Hon. T. W. White's speech was the feature of today's debate on the address. It dealt principally with the Liberal criticisms as to the government's removal of the duty on cement during the summer. He asked the opposition to explain their attitude in fighting the remission of the cement duty, and further why they showed such a lack of unity as regards reciprocity.

Mr. Aitkens, M. P. for Brandon, introduced a bill to amend the banking act. The proposed amendment provides for the loaning of money to farmers on the security of their grain and general farm products.

Currie, representing North Simcoe, introduced a bill to amend the criminal code, with the object of preventing foreigners from taking part in the Dominion elections. He said he understood that it was proposed that some western provinces would allow non-British subjects to vote. This would be prevented by the proposed amendment, inflicting a penalty of \$1,000 fine or six months' imprisonment.

Good Programme

The gold prize drawing takes place tonight at the Majestic Theatre, when the child holder of the lucky number will be given \$10 in gold. In addition to the attraction of the prize, a special programme of interesting and amusing films has been arranged for the entertainment of everyone. The Gaumont Graphic will feature, showing amongst other subjects, the soccer match between the Manchester United and Manchester City for Meridith's benefit; the last St. Ledger race; the grand prize motor race in France, and what is of interest to the ladies, the fall and winter fashions from Paris. A strong educational film will be shown as well as several comedies and an excellent drama.

Men's Own Opening

The official opening of the Mens Own Gymnasium and club rooms takes place tonight. The rooms are well heated, well lighted and equipped with all the necessary appliances to make the gymnasium and club a huge success. Songs, recitations and speeches will be given tonight.

Christmas Trips.

If you are contemplating a trip east, or to the Old Country, we would be pleased to quote you rates by the GREAT NORTHERN RY. Through trains to Chicago without change. We are agents for all the best ATLANTIC OCEAN LINES. Reservations made without extra cost. No trouble to give all information. Tickets good by any boat from Prince Rupert. The Rogers Steamship Agency. 276tf

Suspended Sentence

In the Police Court this morning the man charged with supplying liquor to a minor was let off on suspended sentence, there being no evidence to show that he did so with a wilful intention of contravening the act.

Marriage Tonight

This evening two popular young people of this city will be joined in the holy bonds of matrimony by Rev. F. W. Kerr, at his residence. The contracting parties are Miss M. Keen, of this city and Mr. T. A. Arneil, accountant for Kelly-Douglas & Company.

Harry C. Evans, piano tuner, is in town. Leave orders at Hayner's. 277tf

ENTIRE FAMILY OF B. C. LADY MURDERED MEXICO

Kamloops Girl Receives Terrible News of Death of Twelve Relatives.

Kamloops, Nov. 27.—Twelve relatives murdered, including father, mother, three sisters and three brothers, is the horrifying intelligence conveyed in a telegram this morning to Miss Gertrude Bock, who up until a few days ago conducted the Elite Millinery Shop on Third Avenue. The atrocious affair was committed on October 15th, and the authorities have been endeavoring ever since to locate Miss Bock without success until today. No definite information is contained in the telegram. Her parents and relatives lived in Pleasant Valley, a short distance from Mexico City.

Miss Bock is prostrated over the tragic affair. She has been in poor health for some time and expected to leave shortly on a visit to her people.

Mr. Bock, who is an extensive land holder and rancher there, had just finished a big roundup of cattle. The word was sent by a bookkeeper in Mr. Bock's employ, who is now in the hospital.

It is thought the deed was perpetrated by rebels, against whom the family had been active.

Smallpox in Montreal.

Montreal, Nov. 27.—A thorough inspection of all the schools in Laurier ward, where smallpox has been reported, was begun by the city health officers yesterday. Several unvaccinated children have been found and they will be vaccinated. There are at present twenty-four cases of smallpox in the isolation hospital, but of these three are from outside the city limits.

Basket Ball.

Royals vs. Crescents at Auditorium, Nov. 29th. Game called at 8 o'clock sharp. Skating after the game. Admission 25c. 280-1

Don't Fail

to read the newspapers and see its reports illustrated at the

Majestic Theatre

Third Avenue

BOYS & GIRLS TONIGHT

Gold Prize Drawing

FOOTBALL

Manchester United v. Manchester City, Meridith's benefit

THE RACE FOR THE ST. LEDGER

Run at Doncaster Sept. 11, 1912

MOTOR RACE

for Grand Prix de France

LADIES FASHIONS

BOBBY'S XMAS Cascades Hoyoux

FOR HER FATHER'S SAKE

Champion drama

FOOLSHEAD'S SWEET-HEART

A screaming comic act.

NOTICE

Pathe's Weekly and Gaumont's Graphic Every Wednesday and Thursday

THE GOLD PRIZE DRAWING WILL TAKE PLACE at 9 o'clock

Admission - - - 10c, 15c

BUILDING ON THIRD AVENUE

Four New Stores Almost Completed—Two for Mr. Hyde, Wallace Addition and Hart's

The two new stores being erected by Mr. Hyde at the head of Third Street and Third Avenue are almost completed now, and will soon be ready for occupancy. They are particularly bright, well lighted shops and are a credit to the buildings on the street. The new store built to accommodate the growing business of H. S. Wallace's department store. It is an excellent shop, well lighted with a neat appearing front.

Mr. Hart's structure on Third Avenue is so far completed that he has been able to move some of his large stock into it, and will before long present a changed appearance.

Sangra Brings Dredge

Captain H. B. Babington arrived in port this morning from the Skeena River on his tug boat Sangra, having in tow a heavily laden scow of gravel. Capt. Babington also brought along the dredge which he has been operating on the River, getting out the gravel for the cement foundation for the G.T.P. dry dock. For the last few weeks he has been busy engaged upon this contract, completing it only a few days ago. The recent rough weather has been the occasion of some delay in bringing the last scow load into port.

Getting Back to Normal.

Kingston, Jamaica, Nov. 27.—Normal conditions gradually are being restored in the hurricane swept districts of Western Jamaica. Railway communication has been resumed, but the telephone lines have not yet been repaired. In the absence of detailed reports it is still impossible to state the full damage done by the hurricane and tidal wave.

Author's Sudden Death.

Boston, Nov. 27.—Mr. Samuel Arthur Bent, lawyer, author and editor, dropped dead in the lobby of a hotel here. He was 71 years old. Mr. Bent was American editor of the Swiss Times at Geneva, and the Paris Messenger from 1872 to 1874.

The following late arrivals are registered at the G. T. P. Inn: Carl Hairsine, Alex. Wallace, Jarvis Newbury, W. C. Butler, George Saunders, James Coker, Vancouver; James R. Strirral, Seattle.

SIR EDWARD CLOUSTON DIES AT MONTREAL

Vice-President of the Bank of Montreal Succumbed to Apoplexy

Montreal, Nov. 25.—Sir Edward Clouston was overcome by weakness shortly before noon yesterday, while in the office of the Royal Securities Company, and was removed to the Royal Victoria Hospital in an ambulance. He had just entered the office when he was seen to totter and fall to the floor.

Sir Edward died at 3 o'clock this afternoon. Apoplexy was the cause of death.

Fixing the Fire Auto

It will be some little time before the big combination city fire hose wagon and chemical engine will be in commission again. Driver J. Gibson, who thoroughly understands its many intricacies is devoting every moment of his spare time to making repairs where possible. Several entirely new parts are being procured at the earliest possible opportunity from the factory in the east. For the time being a cart drawn by horses is being used to take its place.

Died at Hospital

The death occurred yesterday at the hospital of Sadie Small, 41 years of age, a pupil of the Metlakatla school. The body has been removed to Hayner Bros., where it is awaiting the arrival of the little one's mother from up the line.

HERE FORTY YEARS

Anglican Missionaries Have Been Here Almost Half a Century

Bishop Du Vernet returned this morning on the Camosun from visiting the Anglican missions of the Naas River. It is over 40 years since the Church of England began work amongst the Nishgas of the Naas. For the last 30 years Archdeacon Collison has been carrying on missionary work on the Lower Naas, the Rev. J. B. McCullagh having done service for a similar length of time on the upper reaches of the river. The high state of civilization reached by the natives of Northern B.C. is due in a great measure to the earliest and devoted work of these pioneer workers of the Church of England.

Strictly fresh eggs, 65 cents a dozen, Stafker and Wells, phones 187 and 430. 280tf

SCOTS TO CELEBRATE ST ANDREW WITH BALL

McIntyre Hall to be the Scene Tomorrow of Good Time Birthday of Patron Saint

That Prince Rupert has a representation second to none, for bringing off successfully, with the fullest amount of eclat anything in the way of a social entertainment it undertakes is a question beyond dispute. Tomorrow evening the grand ball to be given by the St. Andrew's Society in the McIntyre Hall will assuredly equal if not eclipse anything of that sort so far attempted in this line. Great preparations are being made by the members of the Society to ensure its being a success.

The McIntyre Hall which lends itself so excellently to affairs of this nature, will be specially fitted up and decorated for the occasion. Wherever the Scots forgather the occasion of the celebration of the birthday of their patron saint is never let pass without the greatest of rejoicing, general happiness and good fellowship displayed towards all and sundry, who would partake of their hospitality.

There will doubtless be a big

turn out tomorrow evening to join with the merry throng at the McIntyre Hall in celebrating the birthday of St. Andrew, Scotland's great patron saint.

NOTICE

Owing to the price of leather having advanced twenty per cent. during the last few months, we the shoe-makers of Prince Rupert feel compelled to raise the price of all work accordingly, said rise in prices to commence December 1st. 277-3

Fresh Cut Flowers

TODAY

We handle only the best quality of flowers grown on this coast by the largest and most reliable growers. We do not, and never did, sell flowers for too much money, but we do make a fair profit. We do not, and never will, tell you flowers are fresh when they are not.

YOUR CHRISTMAS ORDERS for flowers will be carefully filled and the prices will be right

WARK'S

3rd Ave. Jewellers Box 76 PHONE 122

BOARDING HOUSE BLOWN UP BY A HUMAN FIEND

Attempt to Blow Up Rooming House in Vancouver Has No Fatalities.

Vancouver, Nov. 27.—Considerable excitement was caused in the foreign quarter along Powell street last evening when some person exploded a large charge of dynamite in the front room of the Balkan boarding house, an establishment inhabited by laborers and kept by Frank Roepck. Although the house at the time was crowded and a sick man lay asleep but ten feet from the base of the explosion, no one saw the dynamiter either enter or leave the place.

NOTICE

In the Assigned Estate of W. M. Ward

To be sold by public auction on Saturday next, Nov. 30th, at 2.30 p.m., in the Empress Hotel block, Third Avenue, showcases, roller top desk, candy cooking utensils, chairs, tables, etc., to the highest bidder, Frank A. Ellis, Auctioneer, Phone 44. 281

Best meal in town at Savoy.