

QUICKSANDS MAY DELAY COMPLETION RAILWAY

OVER TWO HUNDRED SIERRA LEONE NATIVES DROWNED--REBELS RAID BRITISH CONSULATE

BRITISH VICE CONSULATE AT CHIHUAHUA FORCED BY REBELS

VIOLENTLY CARRIED AWAY TO JAIL SON OF WEALTHY MEXICAN TAKING REFUGE THERE--HUERTA TAKING CONDITIONS COOLLY.

(Special to The Daily News) Juarez, Dec. 12.—Americans who arrived here last night from Chihuahua report that the rebels since their occupation of the city have entered the British vice consulate forcibly, seized Luis Terrazas, the son of a wealthy landowner, and after dragging him through the streets threw him into jail.

Mexico City, Dec. 12.—The knowledge that Tampico is in danger of falling into rebel hands did not appear to disturb Provisional President Huerta yesterday, for he attended a banquet given in his honor in a neighboring suburb to celebrate the inauguration of an interurban railway. Yet Tampico is the strongest fortress in Southern Mexico and is the only obstruction to the triumphal march of the rebels upon the capital city.

GAMPP'S MEETING TO TENDER NOMINATION TO S. M. NEWTON

DISCUSSED POWER QUESTION BUT DID NOT MAKE VERY MUCH HEADWAY--NO ALDERMEN NOMINATED.

Gamp's public meeting for the nomination of aldermen and the discussion of the hydro-electric scheme drew sixty-five persons, including members of the press to the Swedish church last evening. The meeting divided its honors between H. Gamp, Neil McKay, Hamilton Douglas and S. M. Newton. The first named was appointed permanent chairman, the second secretary, Mr. Douglas got the treasurership and S. M. Newton is to have a committee call upon him and offer him the nomination for the mayoralty.

Mr. Arthur Cuthbert bent himself into an interrogation mark and asked ex-Alderman Douglas a number of questions which the latter gentleman found annoying because he could not make out whether he was being "kidded" by a friend or worried by a foe. Mr. Cuthbert then asked himself a number of questions which he answered promptly and pleasantly. The effect was all that could be desired. Later on Mr. Cuthbert put Mr. Agnew through a catechism on bonds and capital and profits in electric power. Still later the same gentleman summed up everything;

IRELAND MAY YET SEE A CIVIL WAR

Bonar Law Repeats His Prediction Unless Evils Ulster Dreads Are Avoided.

(Special to The Daily News) Carnarvon, Wales, Dec. 12.—Andrew Bonar Law, in speaking here last night, repeated his prediction that the imposition of home rule upon Ulster would result in civil war. "If the government has any proposal to make which holds out even a prospect of avoiding the evils we dread, we shall consider it without any regard to party prejudice or disadvantage, but with a sole regard to the welfare of the nation," he said.

BENSON NOT GUILTY

Murder Case Now on Trial—Grand Jury Makes Presentment.

The sitting of the assizes court was continued yesterday afternoon with the case of Rex vs. Benson. The evidence of the crown was to the effect that the accused had been employed by the plaintiff in repairing a scow and was paid 70c an hour with materials supplied. More material was ordered than was required and this was stored away in several places. Under cross examination it came out that a good deal of personal animus had been developed between the parties. The complaint was that these building materials were stored away in those several places for safe keeping and that the plaintiff had been alarmed thereof. The complaint was laid a long time after the affair took place and then as a result of malice. The jury found the accused not guilty. At the assizes this morning the grand jury brought in their list of recommendations. Reference was made to the lack of playgrounds at the public schools and the need of more accommodations for outhouses. The hospital was reported to be in a first class condition, but it was urged that an X-ray instrument be installed for general use. The city gaol had been visited and conditions found satisfactory. A fire vault was recommended for the fire recorder's office. A true bill was brought in in the case of Rex vs. Wicklund. The court then proceeded with the case of Rex vs. Wicklund. The jury selected was R. J. Burrows, H. C. Breckenridge, F. J. Coleman, R. W. Cameron, D. C. Stuart, H. O. Crew, H. Douglas, D. W. Morrissey, T. R. Maitland, H. G. Hellman, F. Button, Geo. Ambrose, R. W. Cameron was elected foreman. The first witness called was Ande J. Barlow. He testified that he and the murdered man, Clarence Howell, were in the bar of the Telkwa Hotel on Nov. 4th. Prisoner entered and after some conversation with deceased called him an insulting epithet. This epithet was again repeated and deceased struck prisoner who backed away, only to receive another such a blow. Then witness saw a flash and heard a shot. Deceased was wounded and retired to the hotel office. Prisoner left the building and proceeded down the road in an excited manner.

Basket Ball. Brotherhood vs. Bankers, at the Auditorium tonight. Game called at 8:15 sharp. Admission 25 cts.

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RAILROAD MEN HOSTS DELIGHTFUL FUNCTION

Grand Trunk First Annual Ball a Great Success.

The G. T. P. Railway employees' first annual ball, held last evening in the St. Andrew's Society Hall, was an unqualified success and the largest function of its kind ever given in the city.

Mr. and Mrs. Mehan, Mr. and Mrs. Davidson gave their patronage. Mr. L. S. Bell was chairman of committee on arrangements, Mr. W. H. Tobey of floor committee and Mr. A. Watt of committee on decorations. The committee on decorations are greatly indebted to Mr. George Frizzell for the valuable assistance he rendered them.

The following members of the various committees were present: Messrs. L. S. Bell, F. A. Warren, W. H. Tobey, Walter McLeod, J. Austin, P. V. Crocker, R. Hudspeth, S. Douglas, Walter Thompson and Lionel Holby.

The hall was finely decorated with streamers of red, white and blue train men's signal lanterns being a conspicuous feature of the illuminations. Werner's orchestra was responsible for most bewitching music, the excellent time and well kept floor adding much to the enjoyment of the dancers.

The programmes were most tastefully and wittily got up—opposite each dance the place of a tune being taken by a "toast" No. 16 "To a Raise in Pay" we are sure was most heartily echoed by all employees present and absent.

Light refreshments were served during the evening and supper at midnight—the catering for which Mr. Knott was responsible was all that could be desired. Mr. W. H. Tobey after his strenuous labors on the decoration and other committees acted as M. C. during the evening—dancing was kept up till the small hours.

The number of guests present was so large that it is impossible to give a complete list. The dresses were most tasteful and in many cases exceptionally handsome but space forbids full justice being done to them. A few are inadequately described below.

- Mrs. Voge, black and white silk.
- Mrs. Williams, white crepe de chine over satin, relieved by dark red posy pink.
- Mrs. Sweder, pale pink.
- Mrs. Geo. Frizzell, pale blue with lace overdress and handsome embroidery.
- Mrs. Bryant, green silk veiled with royal blue.
- Miss Rovic, soft blue satin with swansdown trimmings.
- Miss C. Mackenzie, flowered ninon over white satin.
- Miss Davies, shell pink satin veiled with black fringed net and handsomely embroidered with turquoise.
- Mrs. Handasyde, blush rose and floral embroidery.
- Mrs. McCaffery, green with overdress black and gold net.
- Mrs. Vaughan, accordion pleated gown of green pink.
- Mrs. Moxley, gold and brown.
- Mrs. (Doctor) Evans, cream marquisee handsomely embroidered.
- Mrs. Frank Landes, white satin overdress pale blue.
- Mrs. Hayner, vieux rose over blue satin underskirt.
- Mrs. Morton, Delft blue chiffon.
- Mrs. Fulmer, white satin draped overdress of ninon and rosebud wreaths.
- Mrs. Casley, black and white satin.
- Mrs. D. Campbell, mauve chiffon velvet.
- Mrs. Vaughan, pale grey and pink.

NO CHRISTMAS STRIKE BY THE POSTAL CLERKS

Postmaster General Fixes Matters Up with Commission of Postal Workers.

(Special to The Daily News.) London, Dec. 12.—There will be no general strike of the 97,500 government employees in the post, telegraph and telephone service during the Christmas holiday season, as expected. The National commission of Postal Workers' Unions announced last night that action is deferred. The announcement was made after a long conference between a delegation of workers and Postmaster General Samuel, who reiterated his refusal to consider the demands for increased pay but suggested other concessions.

FOR FREE WHEAT NOW

Minister of the Interior Seems to Be Switching Some.

(Special to The Daily News.) Winnipeg, Dec. 12.—Hon. Robert Roberts, speaking last night in favor of Alexander Morrison, the Conservative candidate for Macdonald, declared that if free wheat was found to be in the interests of Canada the government would take the necessary steps to give Canadian wheat free entry into the United States.

Latest Despatches

(Special to The Daily News) Portland, Ore., Dec. 12.—On charges of gambling twelve members of the local police were yesterday dismissed.

Regina, Dec. 12.—The wariest December in thirty years has put a stop to curling, hockey and allied games in this province.

Victoria, Dec. 12.—Announcement was made yesterday that the Provincial legislature would reopen for business January fifteenth.

Ottawa, Dec. 12.—The Western freight rates case will in all probability be concluded today or perhaps at tomorrow morning's session of the Railway Board.

Houston, Tex., Dec. 12.—One hundred and sixty-five dead and twenty thousand homeless is the toll of the recent floods. In the Brazos district the property damages amount to \$6,000,000.

Paris, Dec. 12.—The ministry of Gaston Doumergue came out of its first ordeal in the Chamber of Deputies last night better than expected. The new Premier had no difficulty in securing a working majority.

PERISHED IN TORNADO

Two Hundred and Fifty Natives of Sierra Leone.

(Special to The Daily News) Freetown, Sierra Leone, Dec. 12.—Over two hundred and fifty natives were swept away yesterday during a terrific tornado. Twenty canoes containing four hundred natives were caught in the wild storm and dashed to pieces. The sea cable ship Sentinel stood by and managed to rescue 136 of the natives.

Mrs. LaVelle was accompanied by her little daughter, who wore a pretty brown velvet frock.

Mrs. Embleton, white satin with handsome embroidered tunic.

QUICKSANDS ARE MET WITH IN TUNNEL SECTION OF RAILROAD

WORD COMES FROM EDMONTON THAT THIS UNFORTUNATE CIRCUMSTANCE MAY DELAY COMPLETION OF ROAD FOR SEVERAL MONTHS.

(Special to The Daily News) Edmonton, Dec. 12.—Quicksands are likely to impede the construction of the Grand Trunk Pacific for several months to come. Word has been brought here that at Mile 186, B. C., where a tunnel two thousand feet in length is to be built, quicksands were encountered

after penetrating the rock a distance of eight hundred feet. Two thousand men are at work on the line this side of Fort George. Although a few snowfalls have been experienced the weather so far has been ideal for railway work and steel is being laid at the rate of a mile a day. The rails have now reached Mile 195, B. C.

ALDERMAN M'CAFFERY WILL NOT BE A CANDIDATE

GIVES PUBLIC STATEMENT TO ELECTORS—FAVORS BUYING POWER AS BETTER BUSINESS PROPOSITION

To the Electors of Prince Rupert: Having had the honor of serving our aldermanic board during the present year and as it is my intention not to accept a nomination for another term, I desire to make a brief public statement concerning this year's council and an important question which is now before the electors.

we cannot. I have had some experience in seeing water powers developed and can recall a number of instances where eminent engineers, men with big reputations, gave estimates on the cost of development and the amount of power available, only to find that the final expenditure was double the estimate and the amount of power secured was less than the estimate.

Without desiring to take any credit to myself I want to state that I believe the city has been well and truly served by this year's council. Mayor Pattullo has certainly been an energetic worker, bringing efficiency and good judgment into the various civic departments. He has rendered good service which the city cannot too highly appreciate. Mayor Pattullo is the stamp of politician who is making himself felt all over America—the young man who believes in efficiency and honesty; who refuses to pull for any party or be pulled by any party. The only interest considered is the common good of the whole city.

During the past year I have repeatedly urged the mayor to get a proposition from the P. R. Hydro-Electric Co. to submit to the electors as a solution of our power difficulties. I look upon the agreement offered as a reasonable one which it is in the best interests of the city to accept. The prices are fair. When we are using 2500 h.p. which will be within a very few years, we will be paying \$28 per h.p. I know several manufacturing cities back east whose products are shipped all over America that are paying \$30 per h.p.

Ald. Naden and Sutherland and Dybavn and Maitland who were associated with me on the Finance and Public Works committees I found always painstaking and honorable in their work. Though they may have differed with me on some issues their stand was always honest and sincere, placing the city's interests before all others. It is in committee work where one can best judge an alderman's motives and certainly no one can justly question the honesty of purpose in the mayor or any one of these aldermen. I believe the same might be said of the other aldermen as well, though I only met them in open council work.

The only other solution of the power difficulty we have before us is to develop the Woodworth Lake plan and erect an auxiliary deisel oil plant. Both these plants are necessary as an alternative scheme. They are estimated to cost \$300,000. While I strongly favor buying our power until such time as we are able to finance a better power scheme, I do not feel it my duty or privilege to pass upon an important question of this kind. I believe in the referendum and would not vote for any plan whereby the final decision is not left with the electors.

Concerning the power bylaws now before the electors I would like to express an opinion as believing the offer of the Prince Rupert Hydro-Electric Power Co. to be a good proposition for the city to accept. I opposed the Woodworth Lake bylaw two years ago because I had no faith in it, even if we could finance it, which

er but it is for the electors to say. The city must have more power which is the better method of getting it.

M. P. McCAFFERY.

A Social Dance

A regular weekly social dance in Sons of England Hall, 1918 Second Avenue. Good music. 291-292

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adv. **THE Prince Rupert Hydro-Electric Co. PROPOSED RATES**

Comparison in Kilowatt Hours and Horse Power Years

(1) When the maximum demand for the month is 500 horse power or less.			
Load factor	Total charge per h.p. year	Total charge per k.w. hr.	
40 per cent.	\$45.19	1.96 cts.	
50 per cent.	43.05	1.87 cts.	
(2) When the maximum demand for the month exceeds 500 horse power and is less than 1,000 horse power.			
40 per cent.	\$33.69	1.46 cts.	
50 per cent.	31.55	1.37 cts.	
(3) When the maximum demand for the month exceeds 1,000 horse power and is less than 1,500 horse power.			
40 per cent.	\$30.24	1.31 cts.	
50 per cent.	28.11	1.22 cts.	
(4) When the maximum demand for the month exceeds 1,500 horse power and is less than 2,000 horse power.			
40 per cent.	\$26.79	1.16 cts.	
50 per cent.	24.66	1.07 cts.	
(5) When the maximum demand for the month exceeds 2,000 horse power and is less than 2,500 horse power.			
40 per cent.	\$25.64	1.15 cts.	
50 per cent.	23.51	1.02 cts.	
(6) When the maximum demand for the month exceeds 2,500 horse power.			
40 per cent.	\$22.19	0.96 cts.	
50 per cent.	20.06	0.87 cts.	

NOTE
1 cent per kilowatt hour is equal to \$23.00 per horse power year (Hydro-Electric Power Commission of the Province of Ontario 1909 Report, page 127).

:: Grand Kirmess ::

By Prince Rupert Local Talent. To Be Held In
WESTHOLME OPERA HOUSE
Friday, Dec. 12th, 1913

Doors Open 7:30, Commencing at 8 P. M. Sharp. Admission 50c, 75c, \$1.00.

The program will consist of solo and group dancing, also the latest songs by a company of 24 children specially trained by Miss Ethel Gray. Smartest and daintiest costumes ever seen on a Prince Rupert stage. Also songs by some of the most popular local singers.

SPECIAL MUSICAL PROGRAM BY THE ORCHESTRA