

THE DAILY NEWS

CHRISTMAS BRINGS GOOD LUCK AND GOOD CHEER

TO ALL CITIZENS AND ITS MANY DISTANT READERS 'THE NEWS' EXTENDS FESTAL GREETINGS

FEDERAL BANKRUPTCY ACT SUGGESTED FOR CANADA

HON. DOHERTY THINKS A UNIFORM ACT IS NECESSARY TO
MEET REQUIREMENTS OF CANADIAN BUSINESS
HOUSES

(Special to The Daily News.)
Montreal, Dec. 24.—Hon. Mr. Doherty in speaking here said that a federal bankruptcy act would be a desirable innovation for Canada. At present each province does its own legislating and as a result the business men having connections throughout the country have the disadvantage of having to familiarize themselves with several laws. He says that the matter will be considered at the first session of the house.

FIRST PUBLIC MEETING BILLED FOR JANUARY 2

MAYOR PATTULLO HAS ARRANGED FOR OPEN MEETING NEXT
WEEK—ALL CANDIDATES ARE EXPECTED TO BE
PRESENT—NO REAL CRITICISM YET

In conversation this morning the mayor intimated that it is proposed to hold a public meeting on Friday, the 2nd of January, at which the many issues in which the people are interested will be thoroughly discussed. The opposition mayoralty candidate and all aldermanic candidates who are then in the field will be given an opportunity to be heard. The mayor said: "I would have liked to have held a meeting somewhat earlier than January 2nd, but it is not opportune at this time because it breaks both into business and into the holiday spirit. Immediately after the first of the year the campaign will begin in earnest, and whatever number of meetings are necessary will be held in order that the public may be thoroughly informed on the issues. So far I have not seen one single legitimate criticism of the administration. The opposition has resorted to a campaign of personal abuse and misrepresentation. These tactics, while they may have some temporary effect on people who are prejudiced, nevertheless do not wear well. I am satisfied that with the people understanding the issues the verdict on election day will be more than a substantial support for the present administration. I believe that the people like a clear, independent and non-partisan administration, and that is what we have given them this year."

"To you, delightful newspaper men, I wish a very merry Christmas, as I do also to all the citizens of Prince Rupert."

THROWN ON STOVE FOR SPLITTING WOOD

Thoughtful Work of Landlord
Not Appreciated by Roomer

Silas Rea runs a rooming house and like a good thoughtful landlord he gets up soon after six each morning to light the fires and warm the house. A Hemple is a roomer in this house, or was, as he sometimes wakes up with a groan, and he objects to being disturbed too early. This morning when Silas started chopping kindling it woke Hemple and the latter ordered the noise stopped. Silas could not see how he was going to make a fire without kindling, so he had to keep on chopping. Finally the roomer got up and he threw the landlord on the stove. Fortunately it was not hot, but the assault made Silas hot and he took his troubles to the police.

Magistrate Carss informed Hemple that his early morning exercise would cost him \$5 and if he did not like his room there were lots more in the city and there was nothing to prevent him moving.

With every \$10 cash purchase, one ticket on a piano drawing free. Warks. 300

Panorium Pioneer Cleaners. Phone 4.

HAD STRANGE DREAM LED TO HIS SUICIDE

Vancouver Man Pictured His Wife
Coming Home With Twelve
Children

(Special to The Daily News.)
Vancouver, Dec. 24.—George Newfield of South Vancouver had a strange dream. In his sleep he thought his wife had just returned from a trip to Winnipeg bringing with her twelve brand new children. George knew he couldn't support a family of that size and he decided it would be manly to kill himself and he made the attempt. The police believe him insane.

"In the Secret Service"

A four act comedy drama bearing the above title will be the offering at the Westholme theatre by the Josephine Deffry Company for tonight and to-morrow night. The story is laid in Washington, D.C., and the principal characters are connected with the government secret service. Theft of important plans of the Panama Canal fortifications form the basis of the play's plot. There is also a pretty love interest and a wealth of most laughable comedy.

Christmas flowers in Thursday morning. Warks. 360

SPECIAL ATTRACTION—HOLIDAY WEEK

WESTHOLME OPERA HOUSE

WEDNESDAY and THURSDAY, DEC. 24-25
the beautiful 4 act comedy drama

"In the Secret Service"

Popular Prices - - - 25c., 35c., and 50c.

Reserved Seats at Orme's 3rd Ave. Drug Store
Doors Open, 8 p.m. Curtain Rises, 8.30 p.m.

A MERRY CHRISTMAS

A Merry Christmas! Jangling bells and soft laughter greet the ear. People are trying to make each other happy. In the sky of love shines forth the message, "Peace on earth, goodwill toward men," and its blessed effulgence enlightens the human heart. The peace that passeth understanding is the prize of all who wish their neighbor well. No wonder Santa Claus is happy and shouts in glad glee "Merry Christmas to all."

T. D. PATTULLO,
Mayor

ELECTED W. P. LYNCH PRESIDENT SMITHERS

Citizens' Association Formed in
the Divisional Point Town—
First Election

The first election in Smithers was held last week. It was to elect officers for the Citizens' Association, an organization formed to look after municipal affairs in general. There was quite a large vote polled. The officers are:

President—W. P. Lynch.
Vice-president—H. G. Smith.
Secretary—T. T. Dunlop.
G. C. Killam.
Executive—J. Mason - Adams, W. S. Henry, J. W. Turner, Thos. L. Carr, H. P. Jones.

In order to get a vote one man bought a building lot a few minutes before the polls closed.

LOOKS LIKE GOOD TIMES MANY GO TO EUROPE

Christmas Holidays Attract Many
Britishers to Old Home

(Special to The Daily News.)
Ottawa, Dec. 24.—Never before have so many Britishers returned to the old country for Christmas. Every steamship is loaded to its full capacity, with every available accommodation taken.

THE Prince Rupert Hydro- Electric Co. PROPOSED RATES

Comparison in Kilowatt Hours and Horse Power Years

Load factor	Total charge per k.w. hour	Total charge per h.p. year
(1) When the maximum demand for the month is 500 horse power or less.		
40 per cent.	\$45.10	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.	\$22.10	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 Commission of the Province of Ontario 1909 Report, page 127).



Santa Claus at His Work

Stefannsen Party Safe

(Special to The Daily News.)
Ottawa, Dec. 24.—Dr. Anderson, the chief anthropologist with the Stefannsen party, reports to the deputy minister of naval affairs that all the scientists and the members of the crew are well and safe in winter quarters.

After the theatre. Palace Cafe. 284tf

The Daily News regrets to be compelled to inform its many readers that an extra Christmas edition which had been partially prepared had to be cancelled because the mechanical department has been unable to get power after five o'clock in the evening.

For the same reason an official report, representing all sides of the city's power problem, with complete information, which was to have been printed today, has to lay over until after the holiday.

CHANGE REGULATIONS FOR BISLEY MATCHES

King's Prize in Future Will Include Rapid Firing and Sharpshooting

(Special to The Daily News.)
London, Dec. 24.—Important changes have been made in the rules governing the shooting for the King's prize at Bisley. It includes the introduction of rapid firing and sharpshooting.

Great Damage to Shipping

(Special to The Daily News.)
Hamburg, Dec. 24.—The recent storms did great damage to the Elbe shipping. Besides a large amount of property, 25 lives were lost.

George Chip Won in Fifth

(Special to The Daily News.)
Pittsburg, Dec. 24.—Frank Klaus was knocked out in the fifth round here last night by George Chip.

Children's Toys

and DOLLS at cost prices.
Furs and Muffs at 25 per cent. discount.

JABOUR BROS.

NO FREE CANAL TOLLS FOR AMERICAN SHIPS

RESOLUTION INTRODUCED AT WASHINGTON TO Suspend
PROVISION IN PANAMA CANAL ACT—FATHERED
BY COMMERCE COMMITTEE

(Special to The Daily News.)
Washington, Dec. 24.—A joint resolution of great importance has just been introduced into the house by the commerce committee. It aims at suspending the provision whereby the Panama Canal Act granted free passage to American coastwise shipping.

Daughters of the Empire in St. Andrew's Society Hall on Friday, December 26th. Tickets on sale at Orme's. 300-303

GOLD IN DEASE LAKE COUNTRY NEEDS DREDGING

WHEN ROADS ARE BUILT AND STREAMS CLEARED MUCH
WEALTH WILL BE TAKEN OUT OF NORTHERN
BRITISH COLUMBIA

Dan Keen, a pioneer of Prince Rupert and an old-timer in British Columbia, recently returned from a trip into the Dease Lake district, northwest of Telegraph Creek.

"There is going to be a lot of gold taken out of that country some day," said Dan to The Daily News. "A lot has already been taken out, but it is a dredging proposition now, and that means there has to be better transportation before machinery and supplies can be taken in. But it is bound to be a great gold producer soon."

Mr. Keen was up in that country all summer. He was sent out by the Dominion Government public works department under the supervision of Mr. Geo. B. Hull. Mr. Keen took with him a party of six. The primary object of the trip was to clear some obstructions to navigation on the Dease River. But Dan also made a report on the clearing necessary on the upper part of the Stikine and other streams in the district. A lot of ground was covered by this party and the navigation in the district was very much improved by their labors.

From Telegraph Creek to Dease Lake they had a trail of 70 miles which is the greatest obstruction to the development of the country. The freighting on this trail makes transportation almost prohibitive. The government is working on a wagon road and until that is complete very little development can be done.

Dan says the country is for the most part open, with patches of spruce trees about a foot through in the valleys. Other places are alder and willow.

Practically all the creeks over the divide have gold bearing gravel that will pay with dredging operations. On the Stikine side of the divide the lava spread over the country during periods of volcanic eruption has covered up most of the mineral prospects. The Stikine River has quite a number of obstructions and navigation could be very much improved with a little work on these. It is expected some appropriations will be made by the Dominion public works department for this work.

NEXT COUNTY COURT ON JANUARY FIFTH

Only Three New Cases on the
Docket—Judge Young
Will Preside

The next county court will be held after the new year. The date is fixed for January 5. There are only three new cases on the docket, but seven are postponed from previous courts. Five of the cases are against the B. C. Fisheries. The new cases are Ezerniowski vs. Woraboz, an action for recovery of money; Racorich vs. Sweet et al., for the recovery of money under contract; Bain vs. Pearce, involving \$100.

Herring Fishing Starts

Yesterday the Cold Storage company had one of their seine boats out prospecting the harbor for herring. The herring have started coming into the harbor and a small catch was made. It will be a few days yet before any large catches are made.

WILL GET INFORMATION ON HIGH COST OF LIVING

Then Ask House of Commons for
Instructions to Proceed Under

(Special to The Daily News)
Ottawa, Dec. 24.—John McDougall, head of the high cost of living enquiry, says his first intention is to collaborate information from all sources. He will then have the house decide where he should proceed and what form the investigation should take.

Auction Sale

Household goods, new piano, Monarch range, household and kitchen furniture, also a number of fine chickens. Everything goes without reserve. Don't miss a good chance to secure high-class articles at snap prices. Time 2 o'clock Wednesday. Place 103 Hays Cove Circle. 11

Fresh crabs. Palace Cafe, Sixth St. 284tf

EMPRESS THEATRE ...TO-NIGHT...

We take especial pleasure in announcing for tonight. A magnificent three-part feature release from the Vitagraph Studios.

"THE MONEY KINGS"

OR "ON A MISSION OF DIPLOMACY"

This is one of the really great pictures of the day. A splendid plot, superbly acted and of intense interest from beginning to end. The climax is of the most thrilling character. It shows an ocean liner at sea overtaken by an aeroplane, the daring aviator being charged with the delivery of certain important documents.