

## WAR OFFICE SENDS MEN TO PROFESSIONAL RUIN

### NIGHTS OF PYTHIAS CELEBRATE GOLDEN ANNIVERSARY--GRANITE CO. BRINGS IN SAMPLES

#### D. PATTULLO IS PRESIDENT PRINCE RUPERT LIBERAL ASSN.

ANNUAL MEETING DREW BIG CROWD OF REPRESENTATIVE MEN--OFFICERS ELECTED AND DELEGATES TO PROVINCIAL CONVENTION--GOOD SPEECHES DELIVERED

The annual meeting of the Prince Rupert Liberal association drew a good crowd to St. Andrew's hall last evening. The meeting included many of the most prominent citizens represented all the professional, commercial businesses and trades of the city. When

The streets of Prince Rupert reek with road superintendents and government officials. The qualifications necessary for a road boss seems to be a good drinker and vote-getter. The woods are infested with inefficient road bosses. On Rhys at the Liberal meeting.

of the speakers suggested a victorious Liberalism would come from Prince Rupert throughout the whole province, put into words the spirit of the meeting.

The principal items of business were the annual election of officers and the appointment of delegates to the provincial Liberal convention at Victoria next month.

President A. M. Manson was in the chair. In his opening address he reviewed briefly the work of the association during

the past year. The cancellation of the old voters' list by the government had been looked upon as a probable attempt to disfranchise many Liberals. As a result more Liberals than ever had been put on. He had been greatly surprised at the good work of the party men in outlying districts. Of the 3,000 names put on he estimates the Liberals had over 50 per cent. The actions of the provincial government had caused a feeling of unrest throughout the district. There are now three or four Liberal papers in the riding and the people have means of expressing their indignation over the manner of expending public monies. The tour of Messrs. Brewster, Oliver and Macdonald in the southern portion of the province had brought good results which were surprising the Conservatives. Mr. Manson advocated a campaign of education. The people will not rally to a leader until they know his platform, his doctrine and what manner of man he is.

The prospects for Liberalism were good and it was a hopeful sign to see so many out. There was every reason to anticipate a change of government in the province. He regretted that the Conservatives had reintroduced party politics into civic affairs.

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#### COUNTY COURT MONDAY MARCH 2

Seven Cases on the Docket, Two of Which Were Adjudged From Previous Court

The following is the list of cases on the docket of the county court, which opens on Monday, March 2. The first two cases were adjourned from the last sitting:

R. J. McDonnell vs. Nellie E. Vandell in action to recover money advanced and for board. Amount claimed, \$229.

Wm. Czerniawski vs. Wm. Woreberg. Plaintiff claims defendant as interpreter drew \$100 of plaintiff's money from bank.

Broughton & McNeil vs. E. W. Willburn, for \$139 for goods sold.

H. G. Helgeson vs. E. J. Hicks, asked \$25 commission for sale of real estate.

A. J. Prudhomme vs. Kaien Hardware Co., \$304 on contract. Defendants claim contra account.

A. Trainer vs. Queen Charlotte Island Land Co., \$43 for advertising.

A. W. Agnew vs. J. R. Talpey, \$250 for money had and received on purchase of Portland Canal mining stock.

#### BIG HALIBUT CATCH BY COX OF ATLIN CO.

Fishing Boat Borealis Broke Gear--Is Being Towed in From Hecate Straits

Last evening a crew of fishermen working for the Atlin Fisheries came into port rowing a dory. They were off the Borealis, which is a cripple in Hecate straits. The fishing boat broke her intermediate gear three days ago and her big engine is helpless. The crew have continued fishing for the past three days and put up a catch of about 30,000 lbs. She is lying about 25 miles from the harbor and another boat has been sent out to tow her in.

The trawler Cox of the same company came in last evening from the Yakutat fishing banks and left again for Vancouver, taking her whole catch south for shipment. She had 80,000 lbs. aboard, almost a capacity load.

#### MARCONI SHARES AGAIN IN LIMELIGHT

Committee of House of Lords to Make Enquiry Into Dealings in Party Funds

(Special to The Daily News) London, Feb. 20.—The house of lords, on the motion of Lord Lansdowne, the Unionist leader, passed a resolution appointing a committee to enquire into the dealings of Lord Murray of Elibank and his associates, Lloyd George and Lord Reading, with the American Marconi shares when they used the funds of the Liberal party.



PRESIDENT GILMORE

President of the new Federal Baseball league and the most talked of man in baseball.

The local Conservative organ is devoting a lot of space to the forty million dollar waste on the National Transcontinental railway, which has been constructed under both Liberal and Conservative governments. It is tremendously shocked at this long distance scandal. The newspapers' nose seems to be so high in the air scenting the ammunition from afar that it cannot smell the scandal at home. Why is it the morning apologist does not expose the wasteful extravagance of the excavation work being done on the city postoffice site? That would make interesting reading in Prince Rupert.

#### BANISH BULLY BOWSER.

#### 45 STATION GANGS WANT WORK ON HYDRO

There Will Be Five or Six Stations of 1,100 to 1,500 Yards Rock

The city engineer received some 45 requests for work from station gangs wanting a section of the hydro-electric pipe trench at Shawatlans lake. The gangs consist of five or six men each. The work will be divided into either five or six sections and will consist of from 1,100 to 1,500 yards of rock.

The board of works committee will meet and fix the price per yard this afternoon.

#### The Gradle

To Mr. and Mrs. Horace Du Vernet, a son, February 18.

Pantorium Pioneer Cleaners. Phone 4.

#### GRANITE INDUSTRY READY FOR BUSINESS

Outlook Appears Excellent and N. J. McLeod Is Very Optimistic

Mr. N. J. McLeod of the Granite Syndicate, located on Smith Island, is in town with samples of his crushed rock and sand. Mr. McLeod has the machinery all set up and will be ready to take orders in a few days.

Samples have been delivered to the engineers of the dry dock and a test is being made of the material. It is believed by many competent authorities that crushed granite is far superior to ordinary sand and gravel and can be produced just as cheaply.

Mr. McLeod is very enthusiastic about the future of the concern. On this trip he has bought outright the holdings of one of the most heavily interested members of the syndicate, and is thus willing to stake both time and money on what he believes to be the best proposition in northern British Columbia.

It is his intention almost immediately to put in a set of bunkers on leases secured at Cow bay, together with a clamshell outfit for handling. In the meantime he is in a position to deliver by hand labor.

#### NAVY QUESTION BEFORE LOCAL DEBATING CLUB

Favor Granting Immediate Aid by Building Ships Across the Seas

The Canadian naval question was under discussion at the weekly meeting of the Progressive Debating society last night. The subject was introduced by Mr. J. Munro in a paper full of carefully prepared statistical facts.

The essayist maintained that in view of the efforts being put forth by other members of the empire, it was clearly Canada's duty to assist in relieving some measure the crushing burden of taxation now being almost wholly borne by the taxpayers of the mother country. The cost of a dock yard for the construction of ships on this side of the Atlantic was not a solution of the problem unless it was Canada's intention to come with belated aid six or seven years hence. Obviously the only reasonable course open was to place orders for the building of ships in the old country, where they could be more economically and efficiently constructed.

In the discussion which followed the majority favored Mr. Munro's solution, though they looked wistfully towards the "mountain tops of stately wisdom" and to the time when such questions as the present one will have ceased to exist.

#### Redistribution Committee

Ottawa, Feb. 19.—After the redistribution bill has been given its second reading this afternoon it was referred to the following committee of nine members: Hon. Robert Rogers, Hon. J. D. Reid, Hon. L. P. Pelletier, R. B. Bennett and E. N. Rhodes, representing the government side; and Dr. Beland, F. F. Pardee, W. A. Buchanan and E. M. McDonald for the Liberals. The work of the committee is to cut the boundaries of the constituencies.

#### Unionists Won

London, Feb. 19.—The by-election yesterday in the Wycombe division of Buckinghamshire resulted as follows: Dupre, Unionist, 9,044; Tennan Mosley, Liberal, 6,713. The seat has usually been Liberal. It was won in the general election by over 1,200 of a Liberal majority.

Port Edward's taxation will be very low. 391f

#### PYTHIAN KNIGHTS CELEBRATE THEIR GOLDEN JUBILEE

GUESTS CROWDED THE LODGE ROOM TO SEE PUBLIC RITUALISTIC WORK--MUSICAL PROGRAM AND DANCE FOLLOWED--PYTHIAN KNIGHTS AS A FRATERNITY

The golden jubilee of Pythian has grown into a magnificent organization of twelve million souls and is spread over almost every town and city on the continent of America—both North and South.

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#### CONDEMN ARMY OFFICERS TO PROFESSIONAL RUIN

SYSTEM OF WAR OFFICE CONFIDENTIAL REPORTS IS VERY SEVERELY CRITICIZED--MEN NOT HEARD IN THEIR OWN DEFENCE

(Special to The Daily News) London, Feb. 20.—The British war office has a system of confidential reports in which it is stated that officers of the army are condemned or sentenced to professional ruin without being heard in their own defence. This system was severely censured by the judge of the king's bench court and the jury who awarded to Major W. A. Adam \$1,000 damages against Sir Edward Ward. In the capacity of a permanent secretary of war Major

Adam distinguished himself at the siege of Ladysmith. After that he was employed on a special service to Japan. He brought suit for libel against Sir Edward because of a letter written and published by him stating that Adam had retired from the army because of adverse reports. The letter was written in consequence of an attack made by Adams when he was a member of the house of commons on the late General Scobell, who made adverse reports.

#### MANY EXPLANATIONS MADE UNIONIST VICTORY IN ENGLAND

EACH PARTY CLAIMING THEIR OWN POLICY WAS THE CAUSE OF THE DEFEAT IN BETHNAL GREEN

(Special to The Daily News) London, Feb. 20.—The Unionists in both parliament and the press are naturally making the most capital out of the result of the elections in South Bucks and Bethnal Green, though the reduction of the Unionist majority was a feature in Buckingham, while the new member for Bethnal Green represents the minority. The Socialist candidate openly rejoices that he brought about the defeat of a member of the cabinet, taking votes that would otherwise go to the Liberals. Mr. Masterman himself attributes his defeat to the dissatisfaction against the working of the insurance act, the majority of the voters being casual rather than steady workers, and the misrepresentation of his opponents. It is announced that in order to

find a seat for Mr. Masterman, Sir Thomas Roe, the Liberal member for Derby, will resign his seat.

Visitors—Go to the Royal Cafe for your meals. It is the best service and best selected menu in the city. It is the popular restaurant.

#### GRAND BALL

under the auspices of

Fire : Department  
in St. Andrew's Hall  
Second Avenue

TONIGHT

Tickets: Gentlemen \$2.00,  
ladies free.

#### HIGH RATES OF OCEAN TRAVEL CRITICIZED HOUSE OF COMMONS

SUGGESTION TO REFER IT TO IMPERIAL COMMISSION NOT WELL RECEIVED--LIBERAL WANTS GUILTY PARTY BROUGHT BEFORE PARLIAMENT

(Special to The Daily News) Ottawa, Feb. 20.—Apart from the second reading of the Redistribution Bill the announcement of the personnel of the committee was the feature of today's session. The question of the rate and lake steamship rates was introduced as a way of introduction in considering the estimates by Hon. George E. Foster, who explained that as the result of a trip taken to Great Britain by Chairman Layton of the railway board, it had been decided on the suggestion

tion of the British government that they do not name a joint commission, but leave the enquiry into ocean freight rates in the hands of the Dominion's trade commissioner.

A. K. McLean of Halifax took exception to this plan. He asserted that the railways and inland water combine was responsible for the increase in rates; that all should be under the jurisdiction of parliament. He said nothing would be accomplished in ten years if it was left to an imperial commission, and suggested that those responsible for the increased rates should be brought to Ottawa and examined by a parliamentary committee.

Mr. Foster replied that the rates were going up in 1910 and the late government did nothing. There had been a delay in naming the joint commission for a period of six months, and a letter from the colonial secretary was unanswered.

#### Firemen's Ball Tonight

The Prince Rupert firemen hold their first annual ball this evening. The boys have completed all the arrangements for the affair and it promises to be a very brilliant function. The fire boys are all popular and the ladies will find them gallant hosts, and good dancers, too. This being the first ball the boys have given, they should receive generous public support. The dance will be in St. Andrew's hall.

#### The Cradle

To Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Martin, a daughter, on February 19.

Rogers' cutlery and brass goods going at half price at Cameron's sale. 391f

#### EMPRESS THEATRE ...TO-NIGHT...

6--ANOTHER BIG SIX-PART SHOW--6

PART 1--PATHE'S WEEKLY REVIEW OF WORLD EVENTS.

PART 2--STRANGE PLACES AND PEOPLE IN NEW YORK--A Kalem educational. "THE MUMMY COW PUNCHER"--A Kalem comedy.

PART 3--"THE LEADING LADY"--A fine drama from the Vitagraph Studios.

PART 4--CHATEAU BLOIS--Scenic from the Pathe Studios. THE ANT LION--An educational from the Pathe Studios.

PART 5--"A GAME OF CARDS"--A strong picture from the Vitagraph Studios.

PART 6--"BILLY McGRATH'S LOVE LETTERS"--An Aikiki like comedy from the Essanay Studios.

Splendid 5 Reel Program

#### TO-NIGHT

and Tomorrow Night at

the

WESTHOLME

OPERA HOUSE

Fine 2 Reel Irish Feature

#### "THE FILLY"

Showing exciting horse races at Donneybrook Fair

#### KEYSTONE COMEDY

"A Healthy Neighborhood"

#### WEEKLY GAZETTE

Reliance Comedy

"THE FLIRT

and the Westholme Orchestra

Admission 10 and 15c.