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CITY SELLING SOME LOCAL IMPROVEMENT DEBENTURES — 150,000 POUNDS HALIBUT ARRIVED

OF T. LUNCHEON ON PRINCE GEORGE

Number of Seats Taken— Splendid Spread by Chief Steward Newey

The monthly business men's luncheon under the auspices of the board of trade was held aboard the G. T. P. steamer Prince George. These affairs were very popular and the full complement of the 114 seats were taken out early. The speech was made by Mr. O. H. Nelson on "The New Prince Rupert and Its Demands." A synopsis of the same will be published Monday. Chief Steward Newey provided a very attractive spread for the luncheon and every one agreed that the modest price of the tickets was extraordinary. The menu was:

- Roast Caviar
- Sardines
- Omelette
- Celery
- Consomme, Imperatrice
- Souffle Halibut
- Mayonnaise of Salmon
- Tomatoes
- Roast ribs of beef
- Roast Turkey Ox Tongue
- Baked Ashcroft Potatoes
- Gold Asparagus, Vinaigrette
- Deep Apple Pie
- Roast Sage Custard Pudding
- Spiced Loganberries with Cream
- Cheese, Assorted
- Dessert
- Tea
- Coffee

13 FISHING PACK LARGEST IN HISTORY

Salmon Taken from Annual Report of British Columbia Fisheries

The fishing industry in British Columbia is in excellent condition. The salmon pack in 1913 amounted to 1,353,901 fish, which is the largest pack in any year in the history of the industry. The Fraser river produced during 1913 one-quarter of the whole pack of the province, while during 1912 its proportion of supply was but one-fifth of that of the province.

The herring catch was much larger in 1913 than in any previous year, having increased in value by more than \$600,000. A similar increase is shown in the value of the halibut fishery. In 1913 the value of the halibut catch in four years increased from \$1,000,000 to \$2,000,000. The number of persons employed on British Columbia sea and shore in connection with the fisheries last year was 15,028.

Where Shannon Flows

Carriack-on-Shannon, Ireland. A quaking mass of bog several miles square in area is the result of the move in the neighborhood of Carriack, and the panic-stricken inhabitants of the countryside are fleeing before the threatening disaster. The bog slide has been brought about by abnormal rains. Many thousands of acres of the counties of Leitrim and Donegal are submerged. The people in many instances have been isolated from communication with their neighbors owing to the Shannon breaking its banks.

Mr. D. S. Patterson, who has been considerable service on the Seattle and Portland papers, is in on today's boat and is considering taking advantage of the opportunities in a new country. Mr. Patterson says that the newspapers in the southern states have made their cities so important, and that Prince Rupert will become great in proportion to the standard of its newspapers. It is hardly necessary to say that the papers are as progressive as the citizens who support them will allow them to

SELLING CITY BONDS FOUR YEAR FIVES AT 95

\$50,000 Worth Being Issued for Some Much-needed Local Improvements

The city finance committee has decided to accept the offer of the Toledo firm for local improvement debentures and are arranging to dispose of \$50,000 worth of four year debentures bearing five per cent at a price of 95 cents on the dollar. This will give the council a fund to accomplish some of the much-needed local improvements. The bonds are being purchased by the Toledo firm whose representative was here two months ago.

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FINE MOVING PICTURES AT WESTHOLME TONIGHT

Tonight's picture program at the Westholme opera house opens as usual with a new and very interesting Weekly Gazette. Next there is a comedy with a fine moral entitled "The Social Secretary." After that a two-reel Thanhouser feature, "The Blight of Wealth," and finally a ripping Keystone comedy, "The Gipsy Queen," with "Fatty," "Mabel" and the heavy villain in the cast, and loaded with fun and excitement. There will be no advance in prices.

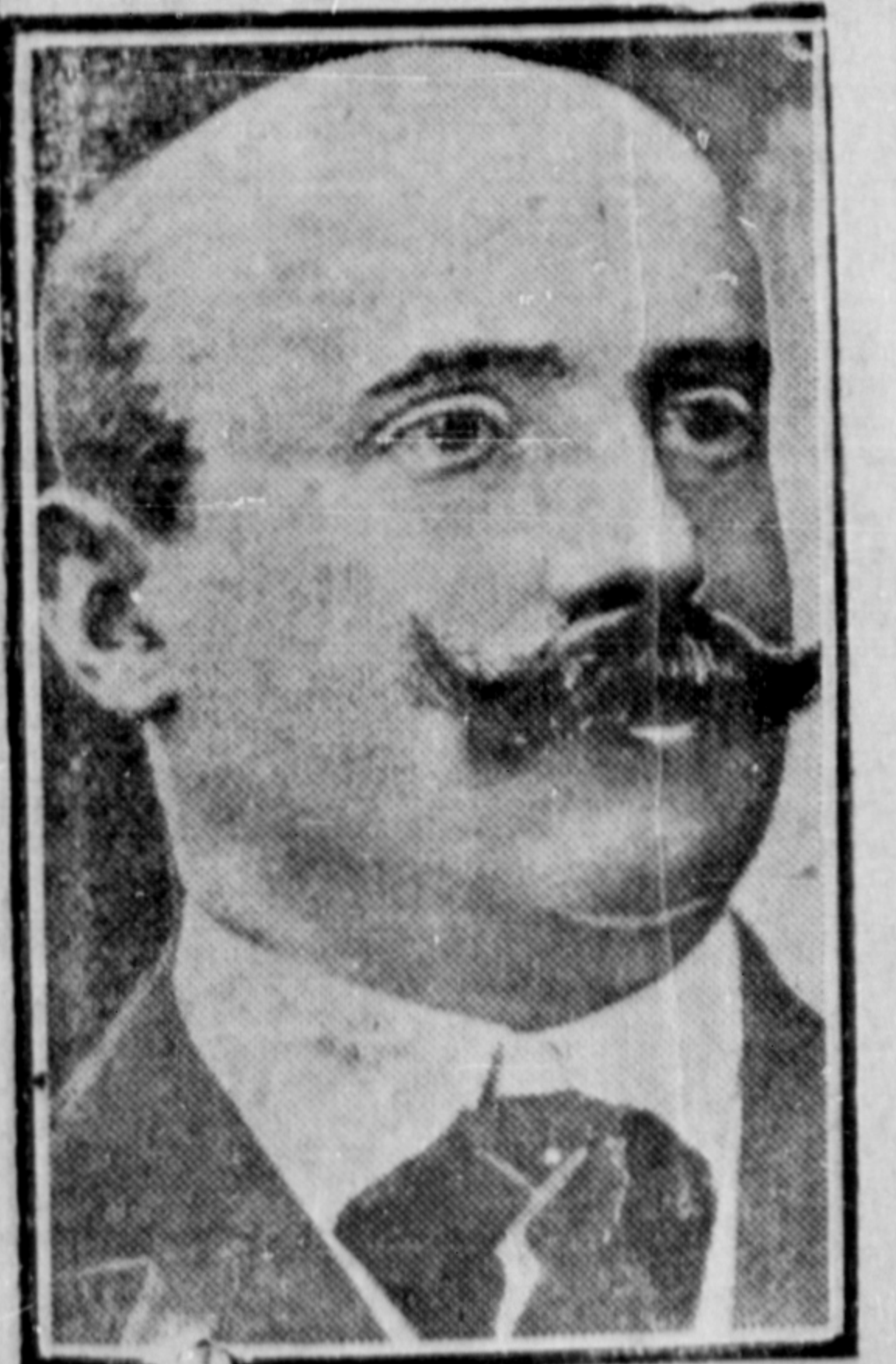
TORONTO WOMEN TAKE THE CIGARETTE CURE

Toronto, April 3.—A dozen or more Toronto ladies are taking the cigarette cure, which is being administered by doctors who are associated with the boys' Dominion club. All the lady patients are reported as good, self-respecting women, although they smoke and they sincerely desire to get rid of the habit. Only a small degree of the patients are girls, most of the number being wives and mothers.

Baptist Services

At morning worship the subject for consideration will be "The Great Shepherd." In the evening the pastor will speak on "The Transformed Life." Young People's meeting at 7. Bible class at 2:30. You are always welcome.

Hamilton Douglass, one of Rupert's old-timers, is back from a visit to Seattle. He has been absent some time but expects to remain here now. He found everybody in Seattle boosting for their own city and advocates a little publicity work for Prince Rupert. "I beg to state that I am not dead yet," was the characteristic remark of the ex-alderman.



JOSEPH CAILLAUX
Minister of Finance and former Premier of France, whose wife shot dead Gaston Calmette, editor of Le Figaro.

SEVERAL BIG HALIBUT CATCHES IN TODAY

Three of the Rupert Fleet Totalled 150,000 Pounds of Fish

The Carruthers of the Canadian Fish & Cold Storage Co. brought in 130,000 pounds, and the Cox of the same company has 90,000 pounds. The Borealis of the Atlin Fisheries came in with 30,000 pounds. There are also some small independent craft in with small catches. Fishing in the past week has been very good. The weather is more favorable than for some time past.

FOUND DEAD IN BOAT SUFFOCATED GASOLINE

Charles Thompson of Porpoise Island Discovered Dead in Own Motor Boat

Last evening the motor boat Shamrock, belonging to Charles Thompson, was brought to the city with the body of her owner on board. It was brought in by Charles Doolittle of the provincial police, who had gone there to take charge of the remains. The man had been found in the cabin of the motor boat, apparently having gone to sleep and been suffocated with escaping gasoline. He was well known on the island, making his home at Porpoise island.

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MAKE ANNOUNCEMENT IN MONTH'S TIME

W. P. Hinton Says There Will Be Something to Say About New Hotel for Rupert Soon

W. P. Hinton, general traffic manager of the G. T. P., and Geo. A. McNicholl, industrial commissioner, came in on the Prince George today. They left Los Angeles on Monday, making a rather quick journey. At ten o'clock they took the train for the interior to be at the temporary linking up of the railway. Mr. Hinton said the passenger traffic through to Fort George would not be open until about August, and it will be next year before any transcontinental trains are put on. "What about the new Prince Rupert hotel?" "There will be an announcement concerning this in about a month's time. The plans are all ready for the contractor." Mr. Hinton will go through to Fort George. Several local business men were on the wharf to meet him.

GANG OF POLITICAL ADVENTURERS DENUNCIATION M'BRIDE GOVERNMENT

Liberal Leaders Brewster and Oliver Illustrated Unhealthy Political Condition of Province and Aptly Described Men in Control--Splendid Reception

Prince Rupert citizens enjoyed a new experience last night when they heard two of the big men of the provincial Liberal party discuss provincial affairs. It was the occasion of the first visit of the provincial Liberal leader and his worthy lieutenant to this city. The Westholme theatre was filled to the doors and the reception tendered the visitors was a splendid one. The audience was of mixed political complexion, but it was sympathetic in its attitude to the speakers, and enthusiastically applauded the many good points made in the addresses.

While the time at the disposal of the speakers did not permit them to go into more than one or two of the chief issues in provincial politics, they made a vigorous and effective denunciation of the administration of "a gang of political adventurers" who were not Conservatives because they have never attempted to carry out the planks of the Conservative platform.

Mr. Brewster won the confidence of the audience by his business manner and logical arguments of the public issues. His speech was free from bitterness, but his criticism was most effective.

Mr. Oliver demonstrated in his manner the origin of his nickname "Honest John." He has a strong personality; he is a born fighter, and wins his audience by ready wit and repartee.

The chairman of the meeting was Mr. T. D. Pattullo, president of the local Liberal association, who introduced Mr. Brewster, the next premier of British Columbia.

H. C. Brewster
Mr. Brewster opened with a brief mention of the fact that he had visited Prince Rupert 17 years ago and that he now found well graded streets and progress being made toward a great city where towering trees and rocky hills then existed. Evidently the people here were not frightened by trifles. He was glad to welcome the ladies because his advocacy of woman suffrage was everywhere received with enthusiasm. He found in his tour of the province that on every hand the people are demanding arguments and reasons where they formerly accepted McBride's word. They have become human interrogation points. The purpose of this visit made at a time when there was no political excitement was for the purpose of explaining the Liberal platform and showing the political drift that is detri-

mental to the welfare of the province. He had no bitter attack to make, but had a right to criticize the public actions of those with whom he did not agree. The present administration had never put one of the planks of the Conservative party of 11 years ago into operation. He asked for the people to put on the treasury benches men who would give the province honest administration. The Conservative press laud the ministers of the government and he asked a scrutiny of the other side of the glowing picture.

The speaker dealt at some length on the land question. The land is what the country must build on. It must be started producing. If our cities were living living off the production of our land instead of off speculation a money stringency in Europe would not bring stagnation to our cities.

Year after year twenty millions of our money, taken from the industries of this province, is sent out of the province to buy farm produce which ought to be raised in the province. When McBride came into power he had unprecedented opportunities. There were the wealth of lands, timber, minerals and fisheries. After 14 years of office what has become of this wealth? The lands have been alienated.

Along the lines of the G. T. P. and the P. G. E. 144 syndicates have secured 1,284,720 acres of the best agricultural lands. These lands are held by specu-

WESTHOLME OPERA HOUSE

Tonight Only! SPECIAL PROGRAMME

1. Weekly Gazette.
2. "The Social Secretary."
- 3-4. "The Blight of Wealth"—Two-reel feature.
5. Keystone Comedy—"The Gipsy Queen."

Admission -- 10c & 15c
"And worth the money"

lators who will make the settler pay him unearned profits before the soil can be broken. Sixty-seven of these syndicates average 15,000 acres each. The government has altogether alienated six million acres. It was claimed necessary to sell these lands as when they came into power the treasury was broke. They had been in power 14 years and the treasury is broke again.

Under the spirit of the land act one person can only purchase one section, or 640 acres of crown land until such time as they have made certain improvements on the purchase. But with 11 or 12 lawyers in the house, aided and abetted by hundreds out of it, the speculator had found a way to beat the act. They get powers of attorney from waitresses and pick and shovel men all over America. He had seen one in this riding secured in Liverpool. The government claimed they had to sell the lands to get money to build public works and transportation to get people on to the land. When transportation came in the way of the G. T. P., the government sold all the lands along the railway to speculators. They had received from all the alienated lands \$7,119,998—about enough to run the government five months. That is the mess of pottage your lands have been sold for by Premier Esau McBride. They claim the amount still owing on these lands bears interest at six per cent and a wild land tax of four per cent. Well, perhaps it does bear it, but it never pays it. We get \$450,000 taxes on this land, whereas at four per cent it ought to bring over a million dollars a year.

Premier McBride says we have 103 million acres of land for the settlers. Again he said it was 107 million. Hon. Mr. Ross says it is 93 million, and R. E. Gosnell, who knows, says it is only 20 million. The provincial treasury has received only half of the amount owing on these alienated lands.

The Conservative platform promised a reserve of coal areas for state-owned mines. Where are they? It promised diminishing taxes. The taxes are increasing.

The judgment of the Supreme Court of Canada states that the lands taken up by these syndicates under powers of attorney, while professing compliance with the law, are a fraud upon the land act. The whole transaction is tainted by the character of the scheme resorted to. W. A. Macdonald, a supreme court judge of

British Columbia, says the scheme is tainted with fraud and no land staker need bring those kind of cases to him for he will throw them out. With rulings like this in the courts, what will become of the 13 millions owing on such lands? The land holders will get uneasy about their titles. Will they pay up?

The government say they have no official knowledge of this fraud. "It is time you voters gave them official notice."

The chairman of the agricultural commission went over to Europe to find how to improve agricultural conditions in the mountains of British Columbia. "I can imagine him walking down Piccadilly conjuring his brain on how to grow more potatoes in the Skeena river valley." Other members had gone to other parts of the world, spent a lot of time and a lot of money and then brought in a report recommending the same thing as the platform the Liberals adopted three years ago.

The speaker dealt at some length with the amendments to the elections act and showed how it affected naturalized men within the province and how difficult it would be for them and their children to get on the voters' list. He suggested the motive was largely an attempt to keep a lot of voters off the list in districts where there was great discontent with the administration. Throughout the province he finds there is a growing feeling of dissatisfaction and lack of confidence in the administration. It was not a party feeling or a political movement, but a patriotic movement.

Honest John Oliver

John Oliver was greeted with hearty applause. He is one of the oldest and best informed politicians in the province. He opened his speech by inviting Wm. Manson, the member for Skeena to come forward; he wanted to talk to him.

The transcontinental railway and the city of Prince Rupert owe their existence to the Liberal party and Premier McBride used his influence to try and defeat the Laurier administration when the were inaugurating the railway. The speaker said he had fought to give Prince Rupert a square deal when the provincial government and the G. T. P. were making a deal for Prince Rupert. "Did you get it?" "A voice—"No."

"Well, who deprived you of it but the men whom you supported at the last elections?"

You have only four street ends going to the waterfront in the whole city. The reason you did not get more was because McBride refused the request of the Liberals to give you more. Within the lifetime of some of

WOMAN DISAPPEARS BELIEVED MURDERED

Vancouver, April 3.—A mystery which the police department believes includes the murder of Mrs. C. J. Millard is baffling the detective force of the city. Mrs. Millard, wife of the chief ticket agent of the Canadian Pacific railway, has disappeared and not a clue of what became of her can be found.

The police has arrested a Chinese servant employed at the Millard residence, whom they believe can solve the mystery. Mr. Millard went to Victoria to meet the steamer Makura. Mrs. Millard remained in town, apparently intending to visit at the home of her sisters. When Mr. Millard returned he found that his wife was away.

After telephoning Mrs. Millard's friends and relatives without success, he became alarmed and called the police. The detectives worked all night to solve the mystery without success.

No signs of any struggle can be found around the house. The Chinaman refused to say anything when questioned. The house and grounds have been searched, but no trace of the body has been found.

From the South

D. S. Patterson, M. Sprag, S. Haslam, J. McNeill, S. Snow, Miss M. Knott, Mr. McBain, Mr. Hamilton, J. T. Moore, Mr. Nickerson, Mrs. London, E. L. Laundry, Mr. McEachern, J. P. Graham, J. Davies, E. Philips, H. Bishop, Mr. Livingston, Mr. Young, Mr. Bryant and wife, David Critchley, Mrs. Sproat, Mrs. Mulhan, Mrs. Clark, Mr. Carlson, Mr. Lindsay, Mrs. Given, Mr. Bramwell and wife, Mr. Epstein, Mr. McIntosh, Mr. Hatherley, H. Douglas, Mr. Mackenzie, Mr. Osmundsen, Miss A. Lefieux, Miss G. Lefieux, M. Beir, Mr. Leinster, G. A. Macdonald, W. P. Hinton, G. A. McNicholl, Mr. Vinchberg, Mr. Swarthout and wife, Mr. Muldoon, Mr. Norrie, T. C. Duncan, Mr. McGee, Mr. Walton, M. W. Bacon, C. S. Murray, and Mr. Hall and wife.

Two Men Killed

The provincial police are in receipt of particulars of the death of two employees who met their death at Granby Bay. Gus Carlson, a miner, was suffocated by gas in the mine on March 26. On the following day John McEachern was killed at the smelter. The inquest resulted in a verdict of accidental death in both cases. Dr. Hyde is coroner.

To Be Called to the Bar

Adair Carss, son of Police Magistrate Carss, has successfully passed his final examinations in law at Victoria. He stood second in the list. He will be called to the bar on Monday.

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