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PUBLIC BUILDINGS ARE BURNED AT CITY OF CORK

STREET SURFACING SCHEME IS READY FOR THE CITY COUNCIL TONIGHT

Cork Devastated by Fire on Saturday and Sunday, while Terrorism Held Sway in City

City Hall, Carnegie Library and Corn Exchange Burned as well as Private Residences; Men Shot by Police

DUBLIN, December 13.—Several large sections of Cork were devastated on Saturday night and Sunday after shooting from ambush at the military party was reported. The fire was under control last night but the damage is estimated at between ten and fifteen million dollars, the costliest destruction of property since the reprisals began in Ireland.

A group of public buildings on Albert Quay including the city hall, Carnegie library, and a portion of the corn exchange were burned as well as private residences.

Newly arrived parties of auxiliary cadets marched through the streets holding up and searching pedestrians and firing into the air, following the ambush of auxiliaries within half a mile of the barracks, twelve of them being wounded by a bomb thrown from a lorry.

The conflagration followed the ambush of the military at Pilton Cross, when four persons were killed and many wounded.

Three civilians were taken from houses and shot dead. Then the fires started and there were bomb explosions. Firing was heard and the populace were panic-stricken.

In the Summerhill district, shortly after curfew, two brothers named Delaney were reported taken from their homes and shot, one subsequently dying. During the hour before curfew terrorism held sway.

TENDERS ARE TOO HIGH FOR COURT HOUSE

Delay in Letting Contract Made Necessary by Excessive Cost of Building.

VICTORIA, Dec. 13.—There is some delay in the awarding of the contract for the new court house at Prince Rupert. The bids were opened on Monday last and it was found that they were higher than the \$400,000 estimate which was passed by the Legislature for the structure. As a result the Government cannot go ahead but will probably call for new tenders in the near future. No official statement in regard to the matter has yet been made.

DREDGES HAVE TO COME ACROSS ON ACCOUNT OF WIND

Shaft of One is also Broken—Everything on This Side of Harbor Today.

There is no work going on at McNicholl Creek today by the Grant & McDonald dredging outfit and the two dredges and the boarding house float are on this side of the harbor. The shaft on one of the dredges is broken and the other had to come across on account of the storm that has been sweeping straight up the harbor towards McNicholl Creek for the last twenty-four hours.

In the meantime the work is going on as usual for the one dredge is being repaired and the other is busy casting up the gravel at the wharf site.



Chief R. S. Knight, of the Mounted Police of Manitoba, announces a definite campaign to round up the bootleggers of that province.

RED CROSS FUND IS MOUNTING UP

Tag Day Netted \$116; Subscription From Masset, \$20; Port Essington, \$52.

The sum of \$116 was realized from the Red Cross tag on Saturday morning. The fund will be left open for another week and it is expected that private subscriptions will be forthcoming to further swell the result of the campaign. Yesterday a subscription of \$20 was received from Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Deasy of Masset and Port Essington sent in \$52.

The churches of the city are also taking up special collections for the campaign. The Church of England leads with a collection of \$60.

Wm. Mannel, travelling auditor, came in on the train last night and left this morning for Ontario where his mother is ill.

CITY ACCOUNTS.
NOTICE TO MERCHANTS AND OTHERS.
The city will close its books on Dec. 15th. Please render all accounts up to date and promptly on Dec. 15th.
W. D. VANCE, Treasurer.

CASH HERE FOR MEN AT SHIPYARD

Captain Saunders Expects to Pay Out Money Tomorrow Morning.

Capt. Saunders, superintendent of marine, who is in charge of the shipyard on behalf of the Dominion Government, today received the money with which to pay the employees with full instructions how to proceed. He expects to arrange for the men to get their money tomorrow morning, probably at the dry dock offices.

INDEPENDENT ASSOCIATION REORGANIZED

Officers Elected and Constitution Adopted on Saturday Evening.

The following officers were elected at the meeting of the Independent Political Association on Saturday night:

President, A. W. Edge.
Vice-president, C. O. Rowe.
Treasurer, D. McD. Hunter.
Secretary, F. S. Wright.

A constitution was adopted as follows:

1. To take a stand for clean political life.
2. To counteract undue influence working to the detriment of the district and citizens.
3. To combine, if necessary, with other associations, local or district, aiming at similar ends.
4. The evolution to a higher political life in so far as the same accords with the constitutional law.
5. The endorsement and support at will of any candidate or candidates who stand for similar ends, are independent in their attitude on public affairs, and who are opposed to the present system of party discipline and control in so far as that discipline and control is a menace to the public welfare.
6. To conduct a campaign of education along sound political lines.
7. To endeavor to protect communities and citizens in the district from discrimination at the hands of those in power and at the same time strive for the elimination of party patronage and its evils.

The Granby steamer Amur was at the Imperial Oil wharf on Sunday loading a scow with fuel oil for Anyox. She returned north this morning.

G. R. Osborn, of Seattle, representing the Dodge Sales and Engineering Co. is in the city and leaves tomorrow for Ketchikan.



HOW THEY WENT TO THE POLLS!

Labor and the Methodist Church are Discussed at Open Forum by Local Men

Rev. T. H. Nuttall States Case for Church and is Criticized by Speakers; Socialism is Religion

In closing an address on the social program of the Methodist Church at the open forum last night, Rev. T. H. Nuttall in answering criticism said it was an antiquated idea that the church runs after the capitalist class. The Methodist church was very practical and had done more to make British Columbia safe for white people to live in than any other organized body. In China, where men were working for ten cents a day, the church was working to get them more. The church was not a class organization. He was in the church just because it was not a class organization.

A class organization was an out of date thing. The church included all classes.

"If there has been a friend of the poor throughout the ages it has been the church," declared the speaker. The Methodist church was formed because they believed the church had got away from the gospel. It had been largely the church of the laboring classes, at first in England.

EIGHT CARLOADS OF HALIBUT SENT EAST

Several Schooners Come in and Sell Catches Over the Week-end.

A seven-car special fish train left here on Saturday evening with fresh halibut for the eastern market, the shipment being the catches of several schooners that were in at the end of the week. This morning the Booth Fisheries sent one carload out, the arrivals yesterday. There are now seven refrigerator cars left in the yards. Following are the sales over the week-end:

Pioneer sold 45,000 pounds to the Royal Fish Co. at 16.4c and 6c.
Skandia sold 65,000 pounds to the Pacific Fisheries at 15c and 6c.
Norma sold 4,000 pounds to the Royal Fish Co. at 15.1c and 6c.
Malamute sold 5,000 pounds to the cold storage at 15c and 6c.
D. C. F. No. 1 sold 6,000 pounds to the cold storage at 15c and 6c.

Sunday.
Senator, 20,000 pounds and President, 4,000 pounds sold to the Booth Canadian Fisheries at 17.3c and 8c.

Not Satisfied.
In opening, the preacher said he was not there in support of the church at large but of the Methodist church. He believed

Board of Works to Submit Street Plan

Council will Consider Report Tonight; Tax on Surfacing will Cost \$55,000; Life Five Years

The recommendation of the Board of Works and the city engineer for the tarvia surfacing of Second and Third Avenues and by-streets will be submitted at tonight's council meeting.

The report places the cost of the work at \$55,000 and divides it 65 per cent on the city as a whole and 35 per cent on the property abutting and no bylaw will have to come before the people. This scheme will make a tax of .2978915c per front foot on property abutting for a term of five years with interest at 7 per cent. Many property owners, it is expected, will pay the tax in one year. The work will have a life of five years.

COLONEL PRIOR FISHING BOAT DIED YESTERDAY TETON GROUNDS

Passed Away at Hospital, Victoria—Had Long Record of Useful Work.

Went on Frederick Island in the Storm Wednesday Morning But is Now Safe.

LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR FOR NEARLY A YEAR

Represented Victoria in House of Commons Three Terms—Premier Seven Months.

VICTORIA, Dec. 13.—Lieutenant-Governor E. G. Prior died last night following an operation on Saturday for intestinal trouble. This old complaint recurred several weeks ago, necessitating his entering the Jubilee Hospital where he died. Had he lived until next Saturday he would have completed a year as Lieut.-Governor. During his regime he has proved to be a genial and popular host. He entertained, among others, the Duke and Duchess of Devonshire, the members of the Imperial Press Conference and the Northwest Rotarians.

The late Colonel Prior was born near Ripon, Yorkshire, on May 31, 1853. He was educated at Leeds and became a mining engineer. In 1873 he came to Canada, settling at Nanaimo, where he was mine manager and later mine inspector. He founded the big hardware firm E. G. Prior & Co., Ltd., which is still a successful business.

As Politician.

In politics Colonel Prior was a prominent figure. He was a strong Conservative and in 1886 was elected to the Legislature at Victoria. Two years later he was chosen as the representative of the B. C. Capital at Ottawa representing Victoria for three consecutive terms in the House of Commons. He was Premier of B. C. for seven months from November, 1902 to June, 1903.

The Colonel was a famous marksman. He commanded the Bisley team in 1890 and two years after he was appointed commander of the Fifth Regiment Canadian Artillery. He was twice married and leaves one son and three daughters.

NURSE WAS KILLED

VANCOUVER, Dec. 13.—The woman killed at Vancouver by an automobile when she stepped off the sidewalk was Mrs. A. Draper, of this city, a nurse.

The fishing schooner Teton, Capt. Bert Hanson, went aground on Wednesday morning on Frederick Island on the west coast of Graham Island in a raging storm and is now lying in a sheltered position on a sandy beach at Pearl Bay near Morgan Point. This is the news that was brought to the city by F. Fryer, one of the crew, who reached the city on the Prince Albert yesterday from Masset, after having made a tramp of some four miles through the bush to that point. Captain Hanson is now standing by the vessel and the insurance people will shortly investigate the accident. It is understood the boat is not badly damaged.

The Teton is a 46-foot gasoline boat of 25 gross tonnage and 17 registered. Her home port is New Westminster and James W. Fryer of that city is the managing owner.

SILVER TAKES ANOTHER DROP

Goes Below Sixty Cents in New York Following Break in London

NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—Bar silver continued to decline in the local market yesterday, selling at 59 1/2 an ounce, a new low record after London reported to 38 1/2 pence, which is now the minimum at that centre.

London, which controls the silver market, attributed the steady shrinkage of prices to the lack of demand from China, the largest consumer.

Many silver mines in Canada and the United States, especially those producing low grade ore, have suspended production during the last month or two.

PLAN RAISE HOGS ON CEMETERY SITE NEAR VANCOUVER

VANCOUVER, Dec. 12.—The city council here has decided to dispose of the garbage collection system and turn over the garbage to a private company which plans to raise up to 10,000 hogs on 200 acres of the unused cemetery site owned by the city at Burnaby.