

FATHER NEPTUNE HOLDS COURT

Boards Famous Battleship Renowned as Vessel Crosses Equatorial Bound for Australia

PRINCE OF WALES IS PROPERLY INITIATED
Invested with Order of "Equatorial Bath"; Officers are also Given Titles

The Prince of Wales has had one experience which was memorable, for when crossing the line Father Neptune gave him a special drubbing on board the Renown. The Old One hailed on the night of the 16th, writes a correspondent. The captain, after a megaphoned conversation from the bridge, stopped the ship and let him aboard. A shower of rockets flew skyward from the fore'side, jets of water leapt up from the capstan, and a searchlight disclosed the barnacled and hairy king of sharks and whales advancing to meet the Prince of Wales. It was reported that Neptune, with two bears, two guards, and a secretary, came through the hawsepipe, and he has taught everyone on board to disbelieve such reports at their peril.

Holds Court

Neptune was satisfied for that night with a drink of whisky on the bridge, but next morning he appeared with full court to demand the homage of the Prince and of others who had not previously entered his domain. Neptune was ferocious and crusty, but decidedly henpecked by a leggy, rope-skirted Amphitrite, and the aged and rouge-cheeked mermaid who attended her had a backing of 50 stout sailors—otherwise heralds, secretaries, clerks, barbers, police and bears, all dressed with the most spectacular absurdity, due to a happy mixture of paint, old clothes and tow. Here was a judge ready to condemn anybody without a hearing, a doctor with an appalling collection of soapy pills and bitter potions, trumpeters able to blow anyone else dumb, and bears who showed their mood by singing, when they met the Prince:

Shave him and bash him,
Duck him and splash him,
Torture and smash him,
And don't let him go.

In view of the ship's company, which crowded the guns, turrets and superstructure like an amphitheatre, Neptune held an investiture, bestowing on the Prince the Order of the Equatorial Bath, tying a miniature tub round his neck. Admiral Halsey got the Order of the Old Sea Dog, with appropriate verses; Captain Dudley North became a Knight of the Aged Cod; an Australian lieutenant was given the Order of the Crusted Barnacle, in virtue of innumerable crossings of the line; and Commander James Campbell, the navigator, was made a Knight of the Soused Herring in view of his "wonderful brain, which runs the ship like a train with unrivalled punctuality, before which we bow."

Everything in Rhyme

The proceedings were in rhyme and the Prince recited a verse of his own composition, welcoming the King and Queen of the deep. A great stately procession passed along the deck to a platform ending abruptly in a long seawater bath, and here the real business occurred, novices being seized in turn and subjected to the beastly attentions of Neptune's doctors and barbers, who forced on them medicines, lathered their heads with many colored mixtures, shaved them and tipped them backwards into the water, where the bears' seaweedy embraces awaited them.

Prince Initiated

The Prince was the first to be initiated while Neptune spouted an oration over him. He slipped off his uniform, disclosing a bathing costume, and was given a nasty pill which, when the barbers were not looking, he craftily thrust out of his mouth. They lathered him pink, white and black, seizing his nose to shave him, then, amidst the delighted roar of the crew, over he went and was ducked three times three, Captain Dudley North acting as chief bear.

Christened

Neptune then carried out the condign punishment of Lieutenant Colonel Grigg and Sub-Lieutenant Lord Louis Mountbatten on a charge of stirring up



J. S. COWPER
Member of the Legislature for Vancouver, who was one of the speakers at a recent meeting in Vancouver. He was formerly editor of the Prince Rupert News.

strife against him by forging wireless message from the Archbishop of Canterbury suggesting that as he used the Christian calendar he must have been converted to Christianity and should himself be christened and immersed.

The affair was on an unprecedented scale, and the book of words will be published. It was the result of a considerable amount of research into old customs and the use of the clever rhymsters among the ship's company. The sailors took great delight in the ceremonies, everybody, from admiral to cook's boy, paying due deference and homage to his Oceanic Majesty.

BANK OF ENGLAND IS TO BE REBUILT

LONDON, May 18.—The Bank of England, known the world over as "The Old Lady of Threadneedle Street," is to be rebuilt. The new structure, according to expectations, will be many stories high and embrace some wonderful architecture.

Little Grace Brynolson, who fell and broke her arm about a week ago, is recovering rapidly.

WATER NOTICE

TAKE NOTICE that Premier Gold Mining Co., Ltd., whose address is Premier, B. C., via Stewart, B. C., will apply for a license to take and use three cubic feet of water out of Fletcher Creek, which flows westerly and drains into Cascade Creek, about one quarter mile north of the International Boundary in Salmon River Valley.

This notice was posted on the ground on the 29th day of April, 1920.

A copy of this notice and an application pursuant thereto and to the "Water Act, 1914," will be filed in the office of the Water Recorder at Prince Rupert, B. C.

objections to the application may be filed with the said Water Recorder or with the Comptroller of Water Rights, Parliament Buildings, Victoria, B. C., within fifty days after the first appearance of this notice in a local newspaper.

PREMIER GOLD MINING CO., LTD., Applicant.
By Dale L. Pitt, Agent.
The date of the first publication of this notice is May 4, 1920.

GIRL BATTLES WITH THUG AT TORONTO

Refuses to Give up Satchel and Struggles with Assailant.

TORONTO, May 17.—In broad daylight and in full sight of other pedestrians some distance away, an attempt was made to rob Miss Aida Smart of Mimico at the corner of Jane street and the Lake Shore road about six o'clock last night.

Miss Smart was seized from behind by a strange man who had been following her all the way from the city, and an effort was made to snatch her satchel from under her arm. The plucky girl eluded to the satchel and when her assailant tripped her, she dragged him down with her.

The two struggled on the pavement, Miss Smart retaining her hold of the satchel, even after the strap had broken. Her strength was going fast, when a motor car came to her assistance. Just as the automobile approached, the thug, freeing himself from the girl's clasp and forsaking the satchel, escaped up Jane street.

Two men were in the car, and while one came to Miss Smart's assistance, the other made a vain effort to capture the thug.

Miss Smart, although badly shaken by the struggle and bruised by her fall, retained full possession of her faculties. She refused to be taken home until she had first notified the police, and accompanied by the two men she went to County Constable Simpson's residence.

Captain Acland, inspector of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police, left for Swanson Bay last evening.



STENOGRAPHERS.

An Examination for junior and senior stenographers will be held on Saturday, May 29, 1920, in Vancouver, Victoria, New Westminster and such other points as there may be five or more candidates.

Candidates must be British subjects, residents of Canada for at least one year, of full age of seventeen years, and not more than thirty-five years of age.

Applications to write will be received up to noon, Friday, May 21st, 1920. Application forms and full particulars may be obtained from the undersigned or from any Government Agent.

W. H. MACINNIS,
Civil Service Commissioner,
Victoria, B. C.,
April 19th, 1920.



CANCELLATION OF RESERVE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the reserve existing over certain lands formerly held under Timber License Nos. 15403 and 15404, Kitsumkulum Valley, is cancelled.

G. R. NADEN,
Deputy Minister of Lands,
Lands Department,
Victoria, B. C.,
21st April, 1920.

SKENA LAND RECORDING DISTRICT DISTRICT OF QUEEN CHARLOTTE ISLANDS.

TAKE NOTICE that William J. Leary of Skidegate, B. C., settler, intends to apply for a license to prospect for coal and petroleum on and under the following described lands:

Commencing at a post planted at the north-west corner of D.L. 1888; thence south 80 chains; thence east 80 chains; thence north 80 chains; thence west 80 chains, to point of commencement.

WILLIAM J. LEARY, Applicant.
Dated this 6th day of March, 1920.

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This money might have been saved by Mr. Z. D'Muro of 722 Papineau Ave., Montreal, had he only known of Zam-Buk sooner. Writing to the proprietors of Zam-Buk, a short time ago, he said:
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LAND ACT

notice of intention to apply to lease land.

In the Skeena Land District, Recording District of Coast, Range Five District, and thence and known as Zayas Island.

TAKE NOTICE that William A. Noble of Prince Rupert, B. C., occupation Returned Soldier, intends to apply for permission to lease the following described lands:

Commencing at a post planted on the east coast, about 1 1/2 miles distant in a northerly direction from the S. E. extreme point of the Island, thence including the whole of the said Zayas Island, and containing 3,000 acres, more or less.

WILLIAM A. NOBLE,
Per Hoopes K. Freeman, Agent,
Dated March 12th, 1920.

LAND ACT.

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO APPLY TO LEASE LAND.

In the Cassiar Land District, Recording District of Skeena, straddle in the vicinity of Lot 1074A Cassiar.

TAKE NOTICE that we, Allen Falconer and Albert E. Armstrong, of Alice Arm, B. C., occupations, cartage-men, intend to apply for permission to lease the following described lands:

Commencing at a point in the easterly boundary of Lot 1074A, Cassiar, 375.1 feet northerly from the South-East corner of said lot, thence at right angles to said boundary easterly 475 feet more or less to the westerly boundary of the Kitsault Indian reserve; thence southerly along said westerly boundary and the projection thereof 925 feet more or less to the intersection thereof with the projection southerly of the southerly boundary of Lot 3643, Cassiar; thence north 57 deg. 11 min. West along projection of said last mentioned boundary line to the southerly corner of said lot 3643; thence north 26 deg. East 501.3 feet to the north east corner of said lot 3643; thence 375.1 feet northerly along the easterly boundary of said lot 1074A to the point of commencement, and containing ten acres, more or less.

ALBERT E. ARMSTRONG,
ALLEN FALCONER,
By Allen Falconer, Agent,
Dated 12 May, 1920.

IN PROBATE.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF BRITISH COLUMBIA.

IN THE MATTER OF THE ADMINISTRATION ACT and

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF LOUIS DIXON, DECEASED, INTESTATE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN an Order made by His Honour F. McE. Young, in the above matter on the 27th day of April, A.D. 1920, as follows:

IT IS ORDERED that the said John H. McMullin shall be allowed to swear to the death of the said deceased as occurring in or about the month of January, 1918, after the expiration of one month from the date of the first publication of notice of this order, unless in the meantime proof is furnished to the Registrar of this Court at Prince Rupert, B. C., that the said deceased, Louis Dixon, was alive subsequently to the said month of January, 1918.

AND IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the said John H. McMullin do publish notice of this order in the Prince Rupert Daily News, a newspaper published at Prince Rupert, B. C., for a period of one month, DATED at Prince Rupert, B. C., this 29th day of April, A.D. 1920.

JOHN H. McMULLIN,
Official Administrator.

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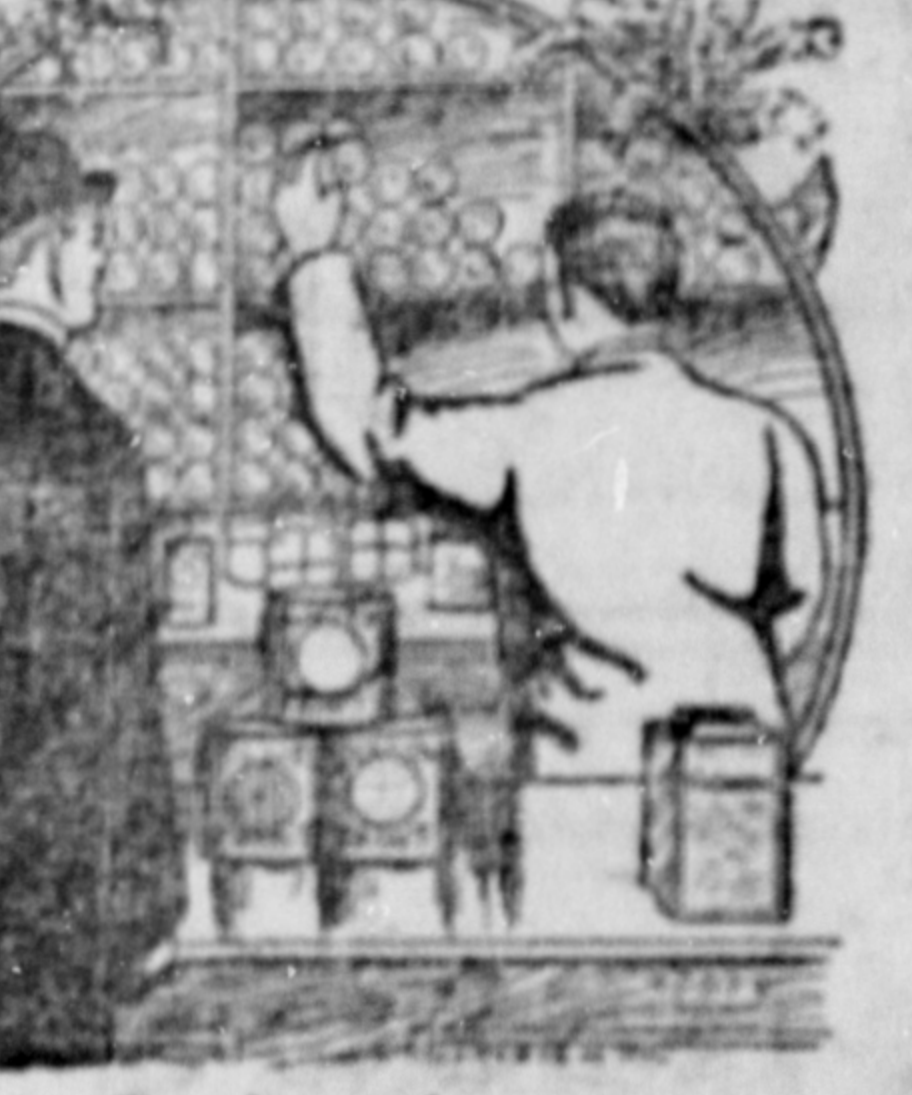
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