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**DISCRIMINATING RATES ON PANAMA CANAL.**

Nothing has been heard from Washington as yet in regard to passing legislation providing for discriminating tonnage rates on vessel passing through the Panama Canal, which was recommended to Congress by President Taft in a special message. It is hoped there will be nothing, nothing more heard of the subject. For it was a mistake and an injustice from every point of view. The canal is being built by the United States, but before starting on the work she sought and obtained the approval of other maritime nations on certain conditions. In defiance of this she starts in to fortify it against every other nation, and now seeks to make this great international highway of commerce a mere short cut for her own commerce, shutting out all other nations by charging them tonnage rates, while no rate is to be charged the United States shipping.

We in Prince Rupert are interested in this question, because before the canal is completed the transcontinental railway will be bringing enormous freight to this port, large quantities of which it would pay to ship by way of the canal to Great Britain and other European ports if only fair tonnage rates were charged all nations alike, the United States included.

The Dominion is interested in the matter because her territory, like that of the United States, extends from ocean to ocean, and when the Canadian government proposed some years ago to discriminate in favor of Canadian shipping in the St. Lawrence Canals, the idea was promptly dropped at the suggestion of the United States government.

Great Britain is also directly interested. Until 1901 the control of the Isthmus of Panama for transportation purposes was by the Clayton-Bulwer Treaty of 1850 vested in the United States and Great Britain jointly, the object being neutrality of the canal, and to prevent the encroachment by either of the two powers on the territory of any Central American state. In that year the treaty was abrogated and was replaced by the Hay-Pauncefote Treaty, which authorized the construction of the canal by the United States but continued the general principle of neutrality as in the former treaty.

No discrimination was ever attempted by Great Britain when she took over the Suez Canal and completed it nor since, so to institute discrimination in regard to the Panama Canal will form an odious comparison not to the credit of the United States in the view of other nations. That is, if Congress should carry out President Taft's recommendation.

If the government does not want to lose a by-election so early in its career the easy way is to let South Renfrew elect Hon. G. P. Graham by acclamation.

Prince Rupert's growth will be rapid, of course. It may soon grow to be as big as Toronto. But let us hope that we may not grow to be as wicked. And ke-ind Providence protect us from growing as goody-goody. Why, last week three thousand citizens assembled there to protest against a bylaw preventing children from sliding in the city parks on Sunday. What a fine bunch of Aldermen Toronto must have.

The Renfrew Journal (Conservative) says: If Dr. Maloney thinks that the Minister of Customs can win for him the election in South Renfrew he will probably discover shortly that he has been "leaning on a broken Reid."

The reference to the "growing navies of the oversea dominions" is applicable to Australia and New Zealand, but in Canada the flag-flapper party who "saved the Empire" have surrendered to Mr. Bourassa, whose policy is "not a dollar, not a ship, not a man."

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BILLY ALLEN.

ated in more than sixty fights, losing but two, and has a long string of knockouts to his credit. During his career to date Allen has twice met Knockout Brown, the New York lightweight. He won the second encounter and fought a draw with Abe Attell, besides fighting such tough boys as Tommy O'Toole, Patsy Kline, Jimmy Walsh, Tommy Kilbane, Billy Ryan and Pal Brown, the Minnesota lightweight, who was one of the two to defeat him. Allen fought some hard battles in 1911, his last being with Grover Hayes, a ten round whirlwind. Allen was a star as a featherweight, and as a lightweight promises to be as much of a sensation.

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