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FEDERAL PARTY IS HERE MINISTERS OF PUBLIC WORKS AND COLONIZATION REACH CITY

DOMINION MINISTERS ARE HERE FOR INFORMATION REGARDING POSSIBILITIES

**HON. J. A. CALDER SAYS THEY HAVE HEARD MUCH OF
PRINCE RUPERT AND NOW ARE HERE TO
SEE FOR THEMSELVES**

"We have heard a lot of Prince Rupert and we have come to see for ourselves of the possibilities and needs of the place," said Hon. J. A. Calder, Minister of Colonization, when he stepped from the train this morning and was met by a representative of the News. "All sorts of representations have been made to us in Ottawa at different times in regard to this port, but the only way to judge of a place is to see it. That is why we are here."

Included in the party which arrived this morning were Hon. A. Calder, Hon. F. B. Carvell, Minister of Public Works; W. W. Porter, Deputy Minister of the Interior; Hon. Walter Scott, of Saskatchewan; J. M. Douglas, M. C. H. Ireland, W. P. Hinton, General Manager of the G. T. P.; P. Porter, Executive Agent for G. T. P.; H. McCall, Western Representative of the G. T. P.; and Hulatt, Manager of G. T. P. telegraphs. They were met by A. McNicholl and at 1 p.m. were entertained at luncheon by the Canadian Club at the Central Hotel, where addresses were given by Messrs. Carvell and Calder.

Discussing his trip Mr. Calder said that they had been into the Skeena River country and had been struck by the vastness of the country and the possibilities of development. Unfortunately, on account of the heavy rain and creek weather, they had been unable to see anything of the Skeena valley as they came through.

Mr. Calder is very anxious to know and he at once got in touch with some of the leading citizens of the place with that in view.

Tonight a public meeting will be held at which both ministers will give addresses.



HON. F. B. CARVELL
Minister of Public Works.



HON. J. A. CALDER
Minister of Colonization.

**"DODGING A MILLION"
AT THE WESTHOLME**

The unusually good program given at the Westholme Theatre last evening will be repeated tonight. Last evening the house was crowded and the show was one of the best. "Dodging a Million" proved to be all that it was said to be and Mabel Normand as the star proved to be very acceptable. The official British gazette was a fine one, and was most appreciated. The program given last evening was enjoyed to the full by large audiences, many of whom will want to take in the same show this evening.

Mrs. R. Beaumont was among the passengers returning to town this morning by the Prince Rupert. Mrs. Beaumont has been visiting in Vancouver for the past several weeks.

George Hill and E. R. Tabrum are in full charge—Family Shoe Store.

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BRITISH PURSUING RETREATING GERMANS NEAR CITY OF LENS

**Valuable Mining Centre Falls into
Hands of British—Currie's
Men once Failed
There.**

London, October 4.—The British are still pursuing the retreating Germans in the regions of Lens. This is a very valuable country owing to the fact that large coal mines are in the neighborhood. An effort will be made to work the mines immediately where they have not been wholly destroyed by the enemy.

Lens is the city that was invested by the Canadians under General Currie and was pressed so hard that there was fighting in the streets. Many Canadian boys lost their lives there.

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WINNIPEG CANADIAN CLUB TO CO-OPERATE

**Interesting Letter From Secretary
Read at Recent Meeting of
Executive Here.**

At the recent meeting of the Canadian Club executive the following letter from R. H. Smith, Hon. Sec. of the Winnipeg Club, was read:

"I beg to acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 4th inst. and am very pleased indeed to learn that a Canadian Club has been established at Prince Rupert. I can assure you that the Winnipeg Club and the writer will be glad to render any assistance possible to your Club."

"Under another cover I am enclosing Annual Reports and other printed matter in reference to the work the Winnipeg Canadian Club has been doing."

"Prior to the war there was an organization known as the Association of Canadian Clubs which (Continued on Page Six.)"

WILL PRINCE RUPERT GET ORIENTAL STEAMSHIP LINE TRADING FROM THIS PORT?

**PLENTY OF EAST-BOUND FREIGHTS OFFERING ALL THE
TIME AND THIS DISTRICT OFFERS THE
PRODUCTS FOR WEST-BOUND
TRAFFIC**

At the meeting of the Board of Trade last night some interesting remarks were made in regard to the development of the trade of this port. It was said that the Japanese lines found plenty of west-bound freight, but the difficulty was to get the east-bound cargoes to make the business profitable. This could be secured here where there was plenty of lumber for which there was a demand in the Orient. Japan was also the best market there was for wood pulp which is being made on this

FAMOUS CASE AGAINST ROSS IS DISMISSED

**C. Heckar Claims He sold Wrong
Barrel When Flooroil was
Ordered by Hotel.**

**NO GUILTY KNOWLEDGE,
DECIDES MAGISTRATE**

There was a long session at the police court this morning, when several cases came up for trial. The adjourned case against Elsie Carr, charged with having liquor in possession for sale, came up again and was further adjourned. For the defence it was contended that the police constables had exceeded their powers in entering a private dwelling house and removing the four cases of whisky.

A charge was read against H. E. Ross of the Empress Hotel for permitting drunkenness on his premises. This charge arises out of convictions obtained on October 4 against two men of being drunk.

Mr. Peters, the city prosecutor, and H. E. Ross had several little spats which interested the spectators mightily. From the evidence it was shown that the barmaid had supplied these two men with near beer when they were already under the influence of liquor.

"Women are employed in the bars to attract trade," said Mr. Peters, "and women can't keep order. It takes a man for that." "Just you say the word then," replied Mr. Ross, "and I'll have a man there in half an hour. And then what would you do?" You'd apply the Idlers Act at once and take him away—and yet you say we ought not to employ women. How do you think I can run my business?"

Mr. Peters, however, did not give his opinion in court, but indicated that the Idlers Act would be enforced. After reading the statute again carefully the court found the accused guilty and imposed a fine of \$50.

The Floor Oil.
A further charge against H. E. Ross was for having liquor in possession in a place other than a private dwelling. This was the famous floor oil case, in which a barrel of claret passed through the hands of several people, who all thought it was oil.

A. T. Cross, of the customs department, testified as to the contents of the barrel containing 24.2 per cent. proof spirit.

Constable Bailey told of the search of the Empress Hotel and the finding of this barrel. He mentioned how the accused had said the barrel contained oil, and

coast at two points contiguous to Prince Rupert. Other pulp concerns would also be started if it was assured that there would be direct and rapid transportation to the markets of the East.

What was true of the steamship lines was also true of the railway. There was a good paying business in shipping east-bound cargo, but there was not enough freight routed in the opposite direction for the back haul. With a line of steamships running out of this port the back haul would be provided for.

Then there was a great business to be done with Siberia. That country would develop and this port was the natural one for freights coming and going. A great development here could be looked for.

It was understood that the Grand Trunk Pacific had plans for the development of the docking facilities here and, with the co-operation of the Dominion Government, very soon there would be ocean liners plying between this port and the Orient. As a matter of conservation alone there would be economy in taking the shorter haul both on land and sea in reaching the Orient.

if they took it away they would have to bring the barrel of oil back.

"Bluff," remarked Mr. Peters. "I would like to get some of that oil back myself."

Constable Adams also deposed to seeing the barrel "camouflaged" with furniture in the bowling alley, which was used as a store room.

"What explanation have you, Mr. Ross, of this happening?" asked Magistrate Cars.

"There's the best I know," remarked the witness as he handed the magistrate a receipt for the barrel, showing it to be for a barrel of oil. "I bought it from (Continued on Page Six.)"

MINISTER OF PUBLIC WORKS SPEAKS AT CLUB LUNCHEON

**SAYS HE EXPECTS TO SEE PRINCE RUPERT WELL IN LEAD
WHEN VICTORY LOAN IS FLOATED — IN
OPTIMISTIC MOOD**

You can afford to subscribe and subscribe liberally and I shall look to see Prince Rupert well in the lead when it comes to raising the half billion dollar Victory Loan." That was one of the messages which was brought by Hon. F. B. Carvell, Minister of Public Works, before one hundred members of the Canadian Club at the luncheon at the Central Hotel this afternoon.

"No doubt we shall win the war and win it right, and that probably quicker than many people realize." That was another message.

The minister also spoke of the like to see the land made available for actual settlers.

Mr. Carvell spoke hopefully of conditions out here and said he found the city much more prosperous than he expected.

Hon. J. A. Calder also spoke and Judge Young, who arrived

Mr. Carvell also spoke of the home this morning, presided land which was held up by speculators and he said that, while it charge of all the arrangements was no business of his, he would be excellent.

BLOW AT CONSTANTINOPLE WILL THROW TURKS BACK INTO ASIA

London, October 5.—General Desperely declares the next blow at Constantinople will throw the Turks once and for all into Asia.

Saloniki, October 4.—Burning villages marked the trail of the retreating Bulgarian army in Macedonia. Bodies of slain civilians were found in the smoking ruins of many places by the advancing Allies. Advices state that this work of destruction surpassed even that which has been reported from the districts in France and Belgium, from which the Germans had been driven.

Catholic Bazaar

The Annual Bazaar, under the auspices of the Catholics of Prince Rupert, will take place next

**Wednesday and Thursday, Oct. 9 and 10
In St. Andrew's Hall.**

This year besides the sale of Fancy Work, it will feature a Country Store, when ladies from each of the Allied Nations will entertain. Refreshments and light lunches will be served by capable people.

There will be an entertainment by school children on Wednesday, and a dance for the Red Cross on Thursday night. The Victory Bonds donated by P. Burns & Co., Ltd., and J. C. Gavigan are going strong. Tickets for Victory Bonds on sale at different Booths.

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