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Fierce Gale Sweeps South Coasts

PREMIER MEIGHEN APPEALED TO REGARDING REFRIGERATOR CAR SHORTAGE

terrific Wind Storm Rages Down Coast Saturday Night

Vancouver, Victoria, Seattle and San Francisco Suffer Damage from Gale; Few Deaths result but Telegraph Wires Seriously Disarranged.

Tree Falls Across Car Killing One of Occupants

Victoria Street Cars Held Up and Light Off for an hour; Chimneys suffer at Seattle and One Man Killed; In immense Velocity

VANCOUVER, January 31.—One of the worst storms in years Saturday dislocated traffic, smashed windows, blew down the telegraph wires and generally played havoc with everything. No loss of life here has been reported as a result.

Victoria, January 31.—Frank Smith, an employee of the San River Logging Company, was instantly killed and the home of Vancouver Island was isolated as a result of the wind which commenced about 6 p. m. on Saturday and continued Sunday evening. Telephone and telegraph wires were blown down, and the street cars were out of commission for several hours, while the lighting system closed down for an hour. Trees everywhere were blown down.

Frank Smith, who was killed, was returning home from the city with friends in an auto, when at Cole Creek a tree was blown down by the gale, smashing across the automobile and crushing Smith to death and injuring the other occupants of the car.

The velocity of the wind is given officially as sixty miles an hour. At Taboosh, near Cape Flattery, it is reported as blowing 110 miles an hour. So far as can be ascertained there was no serious damage on the grounds of over age to shipping.

Seattle Also Suffered. SEATTLE, January 31.—A. A. Brown, engineer, was instantly killed and Jesse McMann, his assistant, was badly injured in the storm on Saturday evening when he was notified some time a sudden gale blew down four smoke stacks at the Anderson & Middleton lumber mill, plunging them through the engine-room roof.

The storm was the most violent in years, all wire communication being cut off and much damage done.

SEIZED LIQUOR FROM STEAMER

American Craft Fined and Captain Charged with Failing to Report.

NANAIMO, Jan. 31.—Canadian customs officers at Ladysmith made a seizure of whiskey on Saturday. The liquor was stowed away on the American steamer Latouche from Seattle.

The vessel was fined and the master was charged with failing to report the presence of liquor aboard. The captain denied any knowledge of the liquor being there.

NGSTON, Jan. 30.—Patrick, aged 55, and two young were burned to death here their home was destroyed fire at Port Simpson.

\$1,000,000 OF WHISKEY

That is Amount Being Smuggled into San Francisco Every Month.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 31. Customs officials are watching for the launch Marie, which it is stated left Victoria for this port with 500 cases of whiskey aboard. It is estimated by the customs department that over a million dollars' worth of whiskey is being smuggled into San Francisco monthly from the northern point.



CAPT. IAN MACKENZIE Soldier member of the Legislature who was elected as a Liberal for Vancouver City.

YACHT RACE ON ATLANTIC LLOYD GEORGE RETURNS HOME

King Albert of Belgium Offers Prize from Sandy Hook to Ostend.

LONDON, January 31.—Lloyd George returned last night from Paris where he participated in the work of the Supreme Council of the Allies. He was accompanied by Sir Auckland Geddes, British ambassador to the United States, who was recently called home to confer with Lloyd George and Earl Curzon, foreign minister.

NEW YORK, Jan. 31.—King Albert of Belgium offered a cup as a prize for an ocean race from Sandy Hook, New York, to Ostend, Belgium, for open-sailing yachts. The race is to start on July 4.

There will be no handicaps in this event as the king wishes to make it an open event for championship of the high seas.

Premier Meighen Urged to Provide Fish Cars for Port

Joint Committee of the City Council, Board of Trade and Fisheries Association Sends Urgent Message Asking for Relief from Present Situation

Following the reading of telegrams from Hon. J. D. Reid, minister of railways; John Pullen, head of the Canadian Express Co., and D. B. Hanna, of the Canadian National Railways, the following night lettergram was despatched to Premier Meighen by a joint committee of the City Council, Board of Trade, and Fisheries Association on Saturday:

"The express refrigerator car shortage situation reported to government and railway officials is so acute that immediate steps must be taken by the Government to relieve it. The deep sea fishing season is now open with a fishing fleet twenty per cent larger than in former years. A tremendous demand is now on for Lent. This traffic will be diverted to Seattle for shipment to eastern markets of the United States and Canada."

"We appeal to you for cars. Conserve our fishing industry by immediately securing express refrigerator cars. Millions of pounds of fish that would be shipped by rail from this port has been compelled to go to Seattle. Schooner Commonwealth called yesterday with 90,000 lbs. halibut but no cars here so forced to go to Seattle. This is a daily occurrence."

"We need eighty additional express refrigerator cars. Thirty were promised for last August, but are not manufactured yet, we are advised. They will not commence to deliver them until March 15. This means ruin. Can you not help?"

Principles Board of Trade Corporation of the City of Prince Rupert.

Prince Rupert Branch Canadian Fisheries Association.

A wire from John Pullen of the Canadian Express Co. says: "Latest advice cars expected in March."

The most definite and important of the telegrams was that from A. E. Warren, general manager of western lines of the C. N. R., as follows:

"Your wire 28th, latest information from builders of thirty will support same fully."

Chinaman Burned to Death at Hazelton

Fire Destroys Ingenica Hotel and Residence of J. C. K. Sealy; Three Chinese Have Narrow Escape

HAZELTON, January 31.—Sam Lee, a Chinaman, was burned to death and three other Chinese had narrow escapes when fire destroyed the old Ingenica Hotel at Hazelton and the residence of J. C. K. Sealy which adjoined it. The fire broke out about four o'clock Sunday morning and had made such headway before being discovered that everything was destroyed. Sam Lee was proprietor of the Royal Cafe in the hotel building and everything in it was destroyed but part of the furniture in Sealy's house was saved. It is estimated that the total loss will be not less than \$8,000.

This is the second fire at Hazelton within the month. Both buildings and furniture were partly covered by insurance.

Two Fish Boats Cleared For Seattle Last Night

Car Shortage Continues and General Feeling of Disgust Prevails in Waterfront Fishing Circles

Four fish boats are waiting till tomorrow for sale and two with 33,000 pounds cleared for Seattle last night on account of the continuing car shortage. There was but one car available for the week-end arrivals and this was despatched east by the Canadian Fish and Cold Storage Co. Fifteen cars are reported to have left for the west but there are none this side of Prince George. It is likely some days before the fifteen will reach here. In the meantime fish is being turned away.

The following are the arrivals and sales for the week-end:

Carolyn, 16,000 pounds, and Yellowstone, 8,000 pounds, sold to the Cold Storage yesterday morning for shipment east at 18.1c and 7c.

Lincoln sold to the Cold Storage for freezing at 14c and 7c.

Defence, 14,000 pounds; Spencer, 15,000; Athlone, 7,000, and Tramp, 10,000, are awaiting sale.

Agnes, 16,000 pounds, and Pelican, 17,000 pounds, cleared for Seattle.

A general feeling of disgust among both fish companies and fishermen prevails along the waterfront. One fisherman remarked this morning: "This is a court by Police Magistrate McLeod for making remarks concerning the dignity of the bench."

In the case of Rex vs. Rulland the member for Quidnessie had been cross-examining a witness at some length and apologized to the magistrate for taking so much time. He said the peculiar case demanded it. The magistrate interjected "and the size of the gallery."

Mr. Manson resented the remark and said: "Your Worship, a man of your brains and education should not be guilty of making an insinuation that my cross-examination was dictated by the size of the gallery. It is quite immaterial to me if your worship clears the court room."

Magistrate McLeod requested Mr. Manson to apologize, which the latter refused to do.

The magistrate then requested Mr. Manson to leave the court room.

Mr. Manson did not do so but said that he had sent for his partner to take over the brief and without waiting further the magistrate adjourned the court.

FIRE IN HOLDS

LOS ANGELES, Jan. 30.—Fire in two holds of the Dutch steamer Finik, did fifty thousand dollars worth of damage.