

OPTIMISTIC OVER RUPERT

Kenneth Ferguson of Victoria
Tells About This Place in
South

"I was never more optimistic about Prince Rupert's future than I am today," declared Kenneth Ferguson, the well-known Victoria manager of the Imperial Life Assurance Company, according to the Victoria Colonist.

The people of Prince Rupert display a highly creditable and highly encouraging spirit of optimism, stated Mr. Ferguson. While they were not making any large capital outlays at the present time, they were quite evidently prepared to move ahead with the Northern development which was due in the not far distant future.

The shipyard is employing in the neighborhood of six hundred men at the present time, said Mr. Ferguson, who pointed out that in a few months the work on the Government ships would be concluded and added that it would be a great pity if the line plant could not be kept busy.

Plans are going ahead for a sulphite mill at Prince Rupert. The fishing industry was hampered at the present time by lack of proper cars.

There is an acute shortage of housing accommodation at the present time in the Northern city, and there is an extensive travel between the South and Prince Rupert. The high price of material has held back building activities, but this work will go ahead just as soon as costs come down, he declared.

Mr. Ferguson claimed that the spirit prevailing in Prince Rupert was the same as existed elsewhere throughout the Province. He believed the worst of conditions to be past, and that British Columbia is upon the threshold of a new forward movement.

WINNIPEG TRYING TO POPULARIZE BONSPIEL BY SHORTENING TIME

WINNIPEG, Man., May 7.—The Manitoba Curling Association has under consideration a plan to curtail the annual bonspiel to one week in an effort to revive the popularity of the big event and ensure a greater yearly attendance from outside points. At the recent annual meeting of the association here it was pointed out that whereas the association was steadily increasing in size, no commensurate increase was being recorded in the attendance at the bonspiel.

Various speakers, particularly from country points, indicated that the paucity of entries from outside was immediately traceable to the fact that the bonspiel was too long. Under the plan now being considered play would commence on a Monday, with city links only involved in the first two draws in order to permit outsiders to reach the city. With four draws a day, it is believed the "spiel" could easily be finished by the following Saturday.

ALICE ARM

Walter McDonald has opened up his cigar store and bar in the large building he erected last summer near the Government telegraph office.

A. J. Bowen and J. Hodson, formerly of Anyox and both prominent mining men, are here getting operations started on the Star mine, which they are to develop this season.

James McAlennan has moved into the Austin Henderson residence. His own house was destroyed in the fire of three weeks ago.

Work on the completion of the road from the wharf to the town will commence at the first of the week by O. M. Watson and his company of sixteen local men who were last week awarded the contract.

Preparations are being made for a field day here on May 21. There will be a number of excursionists up from Anyox.

Without advertisements, this paper would not be as interesting to you, because information about goods for sale in the stores is news—just that.

DELAY EXCURSION TO LATER IN SEASON

Board of Trade Propose Visiting
Bulkley Valley in August;
Pictures for B. C.
House.

A report from H. F. Pullen, chairman of the publicity committee of the Board of Trade, at the meeting of the board last night recommended that the matter of an excursion to the Bulkley Valley be taken up in July with a view to running the excursion in August. It was pointed out that if a rate of a fare and a third could be obtained, the cost of the trip, including sleepers, would be about \$25 for each person, provided fifty made the trip. The report was adopted.

A further report from the same committee recommended that four photographic enlargements of local views be obtained and forwarded to the agent-general in England for display in the showrooms of British Columbia House, the cost not to exceed \$50. This recommendation was adopted and the committee given power to act.

T. H. Johnson offered to provide an enlarged photo of the cold storage plant and E. F. Dohy made a similar offer in regard to the sawmill, each being subject to the wish of the committee. The offers were accepted with thanks.

Think of all the prominent firms whose products you see in the stores and ten chances to one every firm will be a daily newspaper advertiser. They know it pays.

PROSPECTORS' POWDER REBATE

Twenty-five per cent Allowed on
Retail Price if Used for
Mining

The local member, Mr. Pattullo, has received a letter from Hon. William Sloan, minister of mines, enclosing regulations governing rebates to be allowed bona fide mineral prospectors on the cost of powder used in developing mineral claims in British Columbia.

A rebate is to be allowed of 25 per cent on the retail cost of such powder on amounts up to ten cases of powder in one year, and on the written recommendation of a resident engineer of the department the amount on which a rebate is allowed may be increased, under exceptional circumstances.

Applications for rebate must be signed before a mining recorder, justice of the peace, deputy mining recorder, or resident engineer of the department of mines.

YOUNG FOLKS ENJOY DANCE AT DE LUXE

Affair Last Night in Honor of
Miss Caroline Mitchell and
Her Brother James

De Luxe hall was the scene of a very enjoyable dancing party last evening when about thirty couples of young people gathered at an affair given in honor of Miss Caroline Mitchell and James.



"If I Could Only Sleep"

SLEEP is the greatest of nerve restoratives. But unfortunately when the nerves are greatly excited or exhausted you cannot sleep, and nervous energy is wasted at a terrible rate by day and by night.

Dr. Chase's Nerve Food does not produce sleep in a narcotic way, but it does overcome sleeplessness by restoring the vigor and vitality of the nervous system.

For this reason it is Nature's greatest aid in restoring health and vigor to a worn-out, nervous system, no matter whether this condition is the result of overwork, worry or disease.

This well-known nerve restorative has made more

friends through its ability to overcome sleeplessness than perhaps for any one reason. There is no keener misery than inability to sleep and the added worry of knowing that you are fast becoming a bankrupt so far as physical and nervous energy is concerned.

Should you be so unfortunate as to suffer from sleeplessness and other symptoms of nervous exhaustion you will appreciate to the full the gentle and potent power of Dr. Chase's Nerve Food as a means of building up the nervous system to health and vigor.

Dr. Chase's Nerve Food, 50c a box, all dealers or Edmanson, Bates & Co., Ltd., Toronto.

LAND ACT.

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO APPLY TO
PURCHASE LAND.
In Prince Rupert Land District, according to District of Coast Range 5, and situated on an island lying off the north coast of Graham Island.

Take notice that I, Julius Hadland, of Prince Rupert, B. C., occupation carpenter, intend to apply for permission to purchase the following described lands:

Commencing at a post planted on an island about 1,500 feet north-westerly from lot 1927, thence S. 80° E. 80 chains, thence around the island to the point of commencement, and containing 14 acres, more or less.

CLAIR D. DEUTCHER, locator.
A. J. Gordon, agent.

SKENA LAND DISTRICT—DISTRICT OF QUEEN CHARLOTTE ISLANDS.

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Commencing at a post planted three miles north of the north east corner of lot 2435, Graham Island, thence west 80 chains, north 80 chains, east 80 chains, south 80 chains, to point of commencement.

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Commencing at a post planted at the south east corner of lot 2772, west coast of Graham Island, B. C., thence north 80 chains, west 80 chains, south 80 chains, east 80 chains, to point of commencement.

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