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## DAILY EDITION



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## Energy and Optimism Shown.

The Prince Rupert Board of Trade is taking a new lease of life and the opening of the year 1922 finds the organization full of energy and optimism. That is a happy combination and its application should bring immediate results. The idea of sending a strong delegation to Ottawa at this time is a splendid one. It should meet with favor there. It is to go with many requests, the most of which are well founded, and the putting into effect of which may be reasonably expected by Prince Rupert and Skeena district. In the main, they bear out what was originally planned for this port and the vicinity when the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway was built under the auspices of the Laurier Government some eleven or more years ago. Now that there is a restoration of the Laurier policies with several of the same statesmen on hand to execute them, it would seem that the optimism of the Board of Trade is well founded with a feeling of confidence as to the ultimate success of its efforts. All political factions seem to be joining in the energetic demand for an immediate start on the continuation of the old policies.

## Are the Requests Fair Ones?

The question arises as to whether the requests that are to be made are too extensive and too far reaching. This should not be the question, however. It should really be, "Are the requests reasonable and fair ones which the people of Prince Rupert and Skeena should have any right to expect to be carried out?" If this question is put in place of the other, there should be no difficulty in answering it as it applies to the various questions on hand. We venture to state that most of the requests that are being made are fair ones and ones the execution of which might well be expected. The majority of the reforms, changes and concrete results which are asked for are either the avowed intentions of the Liberal party or are the natural consequences of a policy of fair treatment to this part of the country. Being such, it seems not too much to ask that they be carried out.

## What the Big Task Really Is.

The difficulty, as was pointed out by Hon. A. M. Manson at the Board of Trade meeting on Monday night, is that the conservative and careful East will perhaps not see the point when extensive expenditures are asked for with a view to formulating a railway policy that will make the Canadian National Railway pay and at the same time bring to Prince Rupert its just due in the form of business and growth consequent upon the inauguration of such a development policy. It is easy for us here to see that dollars spent would mean dollars earned and eventually dollars made. Not so with the East. The people there do not understand our conditions and they do not realize the potential possibilities of Central British Columbia. The only thing they can think of is the outgo, for that is all most of them can see. They realize that the Canadian National Railways are not paying, and some of them think they will forever be a "white elephant." They must be shown that further development of the public facilities of this country is good business—business that eventually will save them money. When they realize that, the hardest part of the job will be done and Prince Rupert will soon come into its own. To bring this about a strong delegation may be of great assistance. It will back up our member and, at the same time, will be backed up by him. Therefore, send these men to Ottawa to tell Mr. King, Mr. Lapointe, Mr. Kennedy and other cabinet ministers, the members of both the government and the people of the entire East. In the selection of men to do such a task only the ablest and most informed and the most energetic should be sent.

## District Will Doubtless Co-operate.

The Board of Trade is asking that the entire district get behind its efforts and back up its requests. All public organizations are to be asked for their support and, at the same time, they are to be given the opportunity of inserting their own requirements in the memorandum. There is no doubt but that this backing which is requested will be freely given, for all the people of Skeena district must realize that what means development for one part means benefit to the other. Their co-operation with the Board of Trade in the present big effort may well be expected, for the appeal is to be a powerful one and one that will bring this whole district in no mean manner before the attention of the powers that be at Ottawa.

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## LETTER FROM BOND HOUSE

Mayor Rochester has received from Spitzer, Rorick & Co., the Toledo bond house which has bought all city bond issues except those sold locally, the following letter dated January 1, 1922:  
H. B. Rochester, Mayor,  
Prince Rupert, B. C.,  
Canada.

Dear Sir:

We have just noticed in the Prince Rupert paper that you have again consented to become a candidate for mayor.

We are very glad to learn that you have come to this decision as we believe it important that Prince Rupert elect as mayor a man of experience and sound business judgment.

We have great faith in the future of your city and have shown this faith in the past by our purchase of your indebtedness, however, we know that the future success of your city depends to a large extent on the character of its officials. The taxpayers should see to it that only such men are elected to office as merit the confidence of the voter as well as outside investors; your experience on the council and as mayor and the earnest efforts you have put forth in the interest of the city we believe merit your return to office by acclamation.

Very truly yours,  
SPITZER, RORICK & CO.,  
Per J. R. Easton.  
Advt.

## In the Letter Box

## WHERE HAS THE MONEY GONE

Editor Daily News:

Here's Where, and How—The following figures are amounts raised in excess of 1918 which the Council were forced to take care of:  
Exchange on New York funds..... \$12,601.60  
Hospital donations..... 7,000.00  
Relief work unemployed..... 18,000.00  
Amount due Prov. Govt. on property purchased 1911..... 4,101.67  
School expenditures..... 30,477.00  
Police department..... 13,891.66  
Fire department..... 9,979.40  
Health department..... 8,365.00  
Public works..... 13,675.00  
Total levy 1921..... \$270,422.82  
Total levy 1918..... 154,594.61  
\$115,829.21

The above clearly shows that the 1921 general administration was conducted for less money than it was in 1918, regardless of the fact that the value of the dollar was approximately 25% less. The increase in Fire, Health, and Public Works Departments were due principally to an increase of approximately 20% of the rate of pay, which was brought about by a sharp advance in the cost of living; and also to the natural increase in population, from 5000 in 1918 to 7500 in 1921. The Police administration was less in 1921 than it was in 1920. I did NOT have \$340,000.00 to spend, as misrepresented by Mc-Mordie, but simply the amount as stated above, namely \$270,422.82, of which amount \$86,071.27 was due to previous liabilities and causes, before I came into office, and over which the Council had no control.

H. B. ROCHESTER,  
(Advt.)

## UNJUST ASSESSMENT.

Editor Daily News:  
About one year ago I had a letter in the paper about the unjust assessment in this city. I compared my property with that of Mr. McClymont, then mayor. I protested to the Court of Revision, but was absolutely ignored. Now, I am here with another proposition. This year, you all know, Mayor Rochester thought fit to hand Mr. McClymont \$1000.00 of our money for a few weeks work on the assess-



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Rubberized back—a coat that makes a good substitute for the overcoat in this climate. Regular \$20, \$25, \$30, \$35 to clear at

\$16.50, \$19, \$22.50, \$25

## MEN'S DRESS SHIRTS

All our cotton, gingham, wool taffeta and silk shirts. Regular values \$2, \$2.50, \$3.50, \$6, \$10, to clear at

\$1.20, 1.90, \$2.25, \$3.90, \$6

## MEN'S CASHMERE, LISLE THREAD AND SILK SOCKS

Regular values 50c, 85c, \$1.25, \$1.50, all to clear at

35c, 65c, 90c

## MEN'S PRESIDENT SUSPENDERS

5 dozen to clear at 45c A PAIR

Space will not permit us to quote you prices on the many other lines such as Shirts, Sweaters, Sweater Vests

Caps, Gloves, Pyjamas, Neckwear—ALL REDUCED

## MARTIN O'REILLY

Our entire stock of  
MEN'S SUITS

in four lots

Lot 1, sold regularly at \$30.00 and \$35.00....

Lot 2, sold regularly at \$35.00 and \$40.00....

Lot 3, Leishman tailored, sold at \$50.00....

Lot 4, Leishman tailored, sold for \$60 and \$65....

## MEN'S MACKINAW COATS

Good heavy all-wool garments, sold regular for \$12.50 and \$18, to clear at

\$9.59 AND \$13.50

## MEN'S KING AND BORSALINO HATS

Regular values \$5 and \$9, to clear at

\$3.75 AND \$7.50

## MEN'S UNDERWEAR

Three odd lines of light, medium and heavy weight combination suits. Regular values \$5 and \$6, to clear at

\$3.90

## OVERCOATS

in three lots.

Lot 1, sold regularly for \$37.50....

Lot 2, sold regularly for \$50.00 and \$60.00....

Lot 3, the Toga, English manufacture, sold for \$65.00 and \$70.00....

\$26.50

\$38.50

\$47.50

## MEN'S ALL-WOOL HEAVY WORKING SOCKS

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Our plant is equipped to handle all kinds of

MARINE AND COMMERCIAL WORK  
PHONES 48 AND 325Ten Years Ago  
in Prince Rupert

January 11, 1922.

At 2 o'clock Saturday afternoon the members of the present City Council will meet at the city hall for the purposes of having a photograph taken in group.

With only three steamers left of the famous Skeena River fleet upon which for years the whole development of the Hazelton and Interior districts has depended, shippers and those interested in the interior begin to fear that there may be serious congestion of traffic and freight in Rupert this spring. Promises that the steel will be through to Hazelton in March have been made, but May is considered a more likely date. The strike at Skeena Crossing has occasioned some delay already. Unless the G.T.P. can about double the transportation facilities provided by the river boats last year, there is sure to be congestion of freight, as 1912 will see the biggest rush yet witnessed in the interior.

Mayor Rochester attempts to show a reduction in taxes by picking out a few favored lots, but the taxes on my lots are higher and the entire tax levy is increased \$24,000. It should be the Mayor's duty to give us the truth, and not try to mis-

lead by giving half truths. The extra money was probably wasted in much the same manner as the \$100,000 instance above, and you and I and the other rate-payers have got to pay for it all. JAMES HAMPTON,

**20** per cent. discount on All Wool Mackinaw Coats **25** per cent. off All Raincoats Have received reduced prices on "ART CLOTHES" to measure STEVE KING - - - - - HART BLOCK THIRD AVENUE