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FUNERAL SERVICE FOR LATE CHARLES BLYTHE BEING HELD

A funeral service for the late Charles Blythe, Sr., is being held this afternoon at the B.C. Undertakers' Chapel, Rev. Dr. H. R. Grant officiating. A large number of friends of deceased and his family gathered to attend the obsequies which commenced at 3 o'clock. W. Vaughan Davies is presiding at the organ.

The remains of the late Mr. Blythe will be shipped on the steamer Prince Rupert tomorrow morning to Vancouver where interment will take place. Accompanying them will be the widow and daughter, Mrs. McGowan, as well as two sons, William and Charles Blythe. The family will locate in the south. Mrs. Blythe taking up her residence with her daughters in Vancouver.

Among those sending flowers were the Presbyterian Ladies' Aid, Prince Rupert Basketball Association, Rupert Bakery, L. J. Marren, Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Johnstone, Roy Barnes, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Judge, Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Nickerson, F. G. Dawson, Ltd., Aid, and Mrs. Theo Gollart, City Transfer, Albert & McCaf-

fery, H. A. Breen, Mr. and Mrs. W. Reid and family and the Sons of England.

PYTHIAN SISTERS ELECT OFFICERS

Mrs. D. McCulloch Chosen to Head Lodge For Forthcoming Term of Office

The local Pythian Sisters' lodge has elected officers for the forthcoming term as follows:

Past Chief—Mrs. H. M. Blake. Most Excellent Chief—Mrs. D. McCulloch.

Excellent Senior—Mrs. Ivarson. Excellent Junior—Mrs. J. Rowatt.

Misses of Records and Correspondence—Mrs. W. N. Hoss. Mistress of Finance—Mrs. E. J. Large.

Professor—Mrs. P. J. Ryan. Outer Guard—Mrs. F. W. Wesch.

Installing Officer—Mrs. Geo. Leek.

Grand Lodge Representative—Mrs. G. W. Johnstone.

Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Martin passed through on the Prince Rupert yesterday afternoon returning to Stewart after a fortnight's trip south.

INQUIRY INTO CASEY CHARGES

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threatened with a beating if he did not hurry. McRae was not efficient and did not know how to handle men or to outline work.

Alderman Casey said he had been driven to make the position he had by the workers. He wanted to know if there was any foundation for the complaints.

Witnesses

J. H. Rogers was the first witness. He had gone to work in the scavenging department believing he was to get \$6.00 a day taking the place of a regular man who was sick. A bald man in the engineer's office had told him that was the rate of wages. He had been let out although he had been told his work was satisfactory.

Alderman Perry said he had told the engineer to get a laborer. He thought four dollars sufficient to pay while they were waiting for the other man to get back.

It was just here that the pass took place between Alderman Casey and Mr. Williams. The latter drew attention to the fact that the chairman had taken the blame to himself for the reduction of wages on the scavenger wagon.

Inquiry a Farce

Alderman Casey said if he had known the inquiry was to be balled up by a legal man he would have got a legal man himself. He thought it was a farce.

Alderman Perry: "It was a farce from the beginning." Mutual recriminations followed in which Mr. Williams charged that Alderman Casey did not know what British fair play was and this was followed by the heated retort: "Neither do you."

The witness named Valpey was difficult to understand. He told of having applied at various times for work and the last time was told to "get out of here."

J. W. Jorgensen claimed he had been unjustly discharged. He had written a letter to the council but this had been discredited or denied by the engineer.

Mayor Newton said he had gone to the engineer and asked

Neilson's Home Made Chocolates advertisement featuring a cartoon illustration of a man and a woman running happily, surrounded by a crowd of people. The text promotes the quality and variety of the chocolates.

Large advertisement for Neilson's Home Made Chocolates, stating '60c per pound' and listing 'Half Pounds', 'Pounds', and 'Two Pounds' as available quantities.

International Dog-Sled Derby For February



In and around Quebec. Top left—Trotting on Exhibition Grounds. Right—Earl Brydges huskies, winners of last year's derby, hearing the post. Left—A fair skiing enthusiast. Below—The Chateau Frontenac dog team with "Mountie," famous north-west husky leader inset.

In a guide to "The City of Quebec" one reads that among other things Quebec is celebrated for its horse races, which for more than a century were organized and kept going by the wealthy officers of the British crack regiments stationed there on garrison duty, and that the organization of the Quebec Turf Club dates back to 1789. Horse racing is still a seasonal attraction to the Ancient City. The Fall meet brings horses and racing enthusiasts from practically all over the continent, and has done for years, but the native Quebecer is inclined to enthuse more over the trotting races that take place when the snow is packed hard on the courses. Then there are horses he knows and really belong to him. Horses from "way back", perhaps.

One has only to attend a trotting meet in Quebec to know just how much of the true sporting spirit is inherent in the French-Canadian. It is not always the one who has placed most money that is the most vociferous as the trotting nags near the post. Racing is in their blood. They excitedly shout their favorites name, and wave their arms for its encouragement, and if it wins,—all right. If not,—all right, it's a darn good horse, anyway. It is perhaps the enthusiasm for the race shown by the people of Quebec that is responsible for the continuance of the Eastern International Dog-Sled Derby,

held annually in that city. The Derby is supported by winter sportsmen from all over the continent, and entries are made from all parts of the continent upon which snow falls to stay for the season; but without the support of the people of Quebec the event could not be the great success it is. On the three days for which the Derby is scheduled, everyone who can declare a holiday and gets as close to the starters' stand as is possible for the crowd, and when the dogs come panting home, it is not so much the visitor at the Chateau as it is Jean Baptiste of Quebec who cheers them in.

This season's Eastern International Dog-Sled Derby has been definitely scheduled to take place February 19, 20 and 21st. As in former years the distance to be covered will be 120 miles, at the rate of 40 miles more or less each day. Earl Brydges, winner of last year's Derby with the Ontario Paper Company's team, will defend his honors in the face of much competition. An American team won the gold trophy in 1922, and it is expected that several teams will try to regain it for the United States. Possibly fifteen or more teams will try to keep it from going across the border, including one of five Alaskan huskies which is being entered by two McGill students. This is headed by "Dan Jo" which led three teams to victory in three sweepstakes in the Yukon district last year.

that Jorgensen be given an opportunity and this was agreed to. What had happened after that? he asked.

Must Hit The Ball

Jorgensen said he had been told he could go to work on condition that he "hit the ball." In other words he was expected to work harder. He was a married man but he did not return to work on those conditions.

In answer to Alderman Casey witness said he had never gone to sleep on the job. He had managed to keep awake most of the time.

McRae said he had given more chances to this man than to any other.

T. Finnigan said he was removed from rock work because he was told he talked too much. He was told to get in a mudhole and this looked to him as good as being fired. He then asked for his time. McRae had said he was doing his work all right. He wanted to know if they were to be treated as convicts in prison.

R. B. Morgan said he had been told by the foreman that he was not using the shovel right. A strawboss named McKenzie had been told to stand over him and watch his work and see that he handled the tools right.

Objects to Casey

A. Coghane took exception to Ald. Casey's remarks on a former occasion about floaters. He said it was the floaters who built the railways. He came here in 1910 and again in 1914 and he had worked on the tar when married men would not do it. Now the married men came into town after making big wages all summer and asked that the single men should quit and let them go to work. If they had depended on the men who were hollering their heads off, the streets here would still be planked. He claimed that Casey was getting hostile and a squabble between them ensued. He said he had worked under McRae for nine months and the foreman had never said anything to him. He had worked for the city for fifty cents an hour when the other men were getting six bits outside.

John Jackson, a powderman;

Dan Lidstone, a teamster; P. Wingham, a shovel man; Thos. Wilson, Alfred Neilson, Alex. McKenzie, straw bosses; James Hadden, a truck driver, all gave evidence favorable to the foreman, whom they said they had nothing against. He did not interfere with a man as long as he did a good day's work.

Foreman Questioned

Jack McRae then was questioned by Alderman Casey and he told in detail about the work. He followed out the policy laid down by the city. Married men with families were hard to get in the summer. He often had to take single men. It was difficult to break in men, especially when

they did not speak English. Most of the men who applied for work said they were married and he had no way of finding out. Now the married men were given a slip by the engineer but they could not all get work. He had always given work to men brought to him by Alderman Casey. He told of having sent a man to George Casey telling him his word went a long way in getting employment. He had to get a fair day's work for a fair day's pay. If the men were loafing on the job the taxpayers complained that he, the foreman, was not doing his work.

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PRINCE ALBERT AGAIN LABELLED

A second libel has been laid by the Commercial Cable Co. of San Francisco against the liquor carrying steamer Prince Albert in the sum of \$91,932. The plaintiff company holds the vessel responsible for a break in the Pacific cable near the Farallone Islands on January 2. The Prince Albert is already under arrest in Victoria on another writ by the same company claiming damages in a similar amount for the first break.

Large advertisement for Peps medicine, featuring the headline 'GOOD NEWS FOR BRONCHITIS SUFFERERS!' and 'PEPS The Great Breatheable Remedy'. It includes an illustration of a woman sitting at a table and text describing the benefits of the medicine for chest troubles.