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Governor General Lays Keel

First Plate of First Steel Ship is Put in Place by the Duke of Devonshire Saturday

In Presence of Large Crowd and under Ideal Weather Conditions, the Shipbuilding Era at This Port is Officially Inaugurated by His Excellency; Description of the Vessels and Something about the Plant and Staff.

The first steel plate of the first big ship to be built in Prince Rupert was laid on Saturday afternoon by the Governor General, His Excellency the Duke of Devonshire.

The slip was all ready, the keel blocks were in place and the plate, number 151, was suspended above its proper position by pulley blocks. A temporary platform had been erected for the occasion with seats for the guests, the whole being decorated with the flags of the Allies and the sun was shining gloriously, enabling the crowds to gather to enjoy the occasion.

On the platform with His Excellency was the Duchess of Devonshire and her daughter, Lady Dorothy Cavendish, Mayor and Mrs. McClymont, H. McCall, general superintendent of the G. T. P., and Mrs. McCall; F. F. Schellenberg, vice-president and general manager of the Prince Rupert Drydock & Engineering Co., and Mrs. Schellenberg; J. H. Pillsbury, superintendent of the drydock; A. R. Jayne, chief engineer, and Mrs. Jayne; Judge Young, Major McMullin, Alex. Manson, M. P. P., and Mrs. Manson, and representatives of the press.

The Mayor's Welcome.

Mayor McClymont in introducing the Governor said that when the railway was built it had been planned to make Prince Rupert a great terminus. It was 500 miles nearer the Orient than any other point on a railway in Canada and there was every reason to be optimistic regarding the future. Matters of great import across the water had, however, interfered somewhat with the ordinary course of development. The shipyard had been idle for over four years.

His worship said that Prince Rupert was designed to become not only a great shipping port but a great shipbuilding port. The representative of His Majesty had consented to perform the keel laying ceremony and he thought it would be the forerunner of many others. If the Governor should come here again it might be possible that he would find several ships in course of construction on the ways here.

Mr. Schellenberg Speaks.

F. F. Schellenberg, on behalf of his company, spoke as follows: As a representative of our company it gives me great pleasure to welcome Your Excellency to our plant and to have you officiate at the laying of our first keel. It is the first steel ship constructed in this northern country and it is eminently fitting that the highest officer of this great Dominion should inaugurate the shipping industry of the port.

"Situated at the most westerly part of Canada, it is truly the gateway to the Orient. This event is indeed a milestone in the development of this wonderful western country, an empire in itself. It is extremely gratifying to our company to have its work initiated under such auspicious circumstances and I want to thank you for your courtesy in honoring us by your presence here."

His Excellency.

His Excellency the Governor, standing beside the steel plate said: I thank you most heartily for being allowed to take part on such an important and interesting occasion, as the laying of the first keel in the first shipyard in the city. I wish you all prosperity and success in the new industry. May it bring further prosperity and greater credit to this northern city. When I return to Ottawa I hope to make a suggestion to the Government of a name for the new ship. Whatever her name, however, I shall look forward to her successful launching and to follow her future career."

His Excellency then dropped the plate into position and asked for three cheers for the new ship which were heartily given and were followed by three cheers and a tiger for the Governor.

Description of Vessel.

The ship, the first plate of which was laid and which a correspondent of the Daily News suggests should be called "The Canadian Fisherman," will be 400 ft. long, 52 ft. beam, approximately 32 ft. height, will be of 8,100 tons and will cost approximately \$1,600,000. She will have five cargo hatches, two fore, two aft and one midships.

Being of the economical cargo type she will not make great speed, ten and a half knots under full load being what is expected of her. She will have a single screw and her engines are of the triple expansion type with three Scotch boilers, two of which will be used at one time. The engines will develop up to 2,800 horsepower.

Staff to be Housed.

The work of construction will continue and the staff will be gradually augmented from time to time, about 500 men being employed in the ordinary course of events. The one fear of the management is that the city will not be able to house that many men this winter unless steps are taken at once to deal with the matter. The big dining-room at the yard is already in operation and the rooming house there will take care of about one hundred. There are two hundred already employed at and about the works so that two hundred more will have to be cared for before long, and many of these will be men with families.

In the furnace building at the shipyard, the new plant is in place, including an oil burning plate and angle furnace, bending slabs, the immense punches and shears electrically driven from the company's own power plant and with compressed air laid throughout the building.

In addition there is the foundry and pattern shop which is in operation, blacksmith shop and pay office all complete and in use. The steel for the big ships is already on hand to the amount of

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NEW CONTROL OF FOODSTUFFS IN GREAT BRITAIN

Latest Order Limits Profits Instead of Fixing Prices for Retailers.

(Special via G. T. P. Telegrams.)

London, Sept. 29.—The Food Controller has issued fresh orders virtually restoring the war measures regarding the distribution of foodstuffs throughout Great Britain. This order comes into effect today. The great new feature of these latest regulations is the local control of the distributing trades, not by fixing prices, but by limiting profits.

Dan Macdonald, who has mingling interests around Morriestown, arrived from the east by last night's train. He has been looking after the development of his properties during the summer months and is now on his way to Anyox.

RUMORS OF PREMIER'S RESIGNATION UNTRUE

(Special by G. T. P. Telegrams.)

Ottawa, Sept. 29.—It is authoritatively stated that Premier Borden, notwithstanding that he is far from well, has no intention of retiring from the premiership. He has contracted rheumatism as the aftermath of an attack of influenza, and has to use crutches.

CANADA TAKES HER PLACE AS A SIGNATORY NATION

Governor General Tells of Importance of Step Taken by this Country in Becoming Party to Treaty; fine Speech of His Excellency at Canadian Club Lunch.

"In the course of the next week a bill will be sent to me for my signature, which declares that Canada approves the Peace Treaty, and other proposals of the greatest conference ever known to history. In passing this measure Canada has formally taken her place among the signatory nations of the world. Canada is recognized by the world as being qualified from the part she took in the war to be acknowledged one of the contracting parties to the great document. This is a great step in the evolution of Empire."

These were the words of the Duke of Devonshire, Governor General of Canada, spoken to the Canadian Club when he addressed them on Saturday afternoon. The luncheon was given in the Prince Rupert Hotel with President Judge Young presiding and a full attendance of members and guests present. It was one of the best luncheons ever held in the city.

Made Mistakes.

The Governor spoke of the warm-hearted welcome he and the Duchess and Lady Dorothy had received and said he was deeply sensible of the spirit of loyalty and unity of purpose that predominated from one end of Canada to the other. As a race the British had made mistakes, but

the most colossal error ever made was that of Germany when she expected the British Empire to fall to pieces. Canada had taken part in the war voluntarily and if ever another occasion should occur he was sure there would be the same instantaneous and spontaneous response. (Applause).

What was the true cause for this feeling of unity and devotion to the common cause? We were living in times of difficulty and uncertainty. Ancient land marks were disappearing and strange theories were floating throughout the world. What enabled them to carry on through such difficult and trying times? The answer was found far back in the pages of history when the foundations of representative government were laid. It began in the Old Country and spread throughout the world. British institutions had stood the test and were capable of meeting the changing conditions which prevailed.

Stood the Test.

Under the present form of government every person had the right of making the best use he could of his brains or muscle. British constitutions and institutions had automatically grown up and had stood the test of time. Now, however, they must recognize the fact that their obligations went beyond the confines of the Dominion.

The same problems confronted the people today that confronted the confederation fathers. They wished to see the Empire bound with closer ties, yet they wished

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Million Men Idle in Big Railway Strike

Tie up is Complete Throughout Great Britain and Leaders Declare it is Fight to Finish.

(Special to The News via G. T. P. Telegrams.)

London, Sept. 29.—Reports from the provinces indicate that the railway strike is practically complete in all parts of the country. It is estimated that more than half a million actual strikers and half a million allied workers, including clerks, are idle and the leaders declare the strike is a fight to a finish. The unions' strike funds are said to exceed \$7,500,000.

A Doncaster message announces that the shopmen at the extensive plant of the Great Northern Railway there have gone on strike.

The British press unanimously condemns the railway strike and predicts its failure.

DAWSON IS ON COUNCIL OF LIBERAL PARTY

One of Seven From This Province to Get Appointment Along With Premier and Members.

Vancouver, Sept. 29.—The Executive of the British Columbia Liberal Association has chosen F. G. Dawson, of Prince Rupert to represent the whole of the northern and central districts of the province on the National Council of the Liberal Party. This council is called together from time to time to confer with the leader on matters of national moment, and the appointment is a most important one.

Other appointments made by the executive were Premier John Oliver, Victoria; M. A. Macdonald, K. C., M. P. P., Vancouver; Henry Hall, M. P. P., Victoria; Charles E. Campbell, Vancouver; C. D. McNab, Waldo, B. C., and A. McRae, Revelstoke, B. C.

FINED \$100 FOR SUPPLYING LIQUOR TO TWO INDIANS

Under the Indian Act, Ed. Bannier, shoemaker of Fifth Street, was found guilty of supplying liquor to two Indians in the police court this morning. As this was his first offense he was dealt with leniently with by Magistrate McMorde and fined \$100 with option of six months' imprisonment.

Evidence was given by Chief Vickers and Dominion Constable Watkinson and the use of money was instrumental in his conviction. The accused put up a rather remarkable story as to his possession of the money which he handed over to Constable Watkinson on his entering the premises immediately after the alleged sale. His story, however, was not accepted by the court.

TRADES CONGRESS REFUSES SUPPORT TO STRIKE LEADERS

(Special via G. T. P. Telegrams.)

Hamilton, Ont., Sept. 29.—The Dominion Trades and Labor Congress yesterday refused to accept a resolution pledging support for the eight men arrested at Winnipeg in connection with the recent strike there, but called for a fair and impartial trial for the accused men.

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EMISSARY OF GOVERNMENT NOW IN FIUME

Received by City Without Demonstration—Alarmist rumors Current in Rome—Civil War Predicted.

(Special via G. T. P. Telegrams.)

London, Sept. 29.—A Fiume dispatch announces the arrival there of Admiral Cagni, the Italian Government's emissary, and says there were no demonstrations by the populace of the city, who have pledged themselves to support Gabrielle D'Annunzio in seizing the city as part of Italian territory, against the decision of the Supreme Council in Paris.

A dispatch received from Rome says that alarmist reports are current, item one being that civil war is eminent with the National and militarist factions on one side and the socialists on the other.

Minister's Declaration.

Rome, Sept. 29.—Foreign minister Tittoni is expected to make a declaration in the Chamber today in reference to the policy of the Government regarding the unauthorized occupation of Fiume by the Italians under Gabrielle D'Annunzio. It is forecasted that if the Chamber gives Premier Nitti a vote of confidence it will be dissolved and an election held.

Did Not Threaten.

Rome, Sept. 29.—An official statement issued yesterday denied that President Wilson's note on the Fiume question contained threats to Italy and declares that on the contrary, it included expressions of great cordiality.

Among local people going south last night were S. Mussallem, Louis Trommer and Mrs. Goldblom.

Repair department in full swing—The Family Shoe Store.

WESTHOLME TONIGHT

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W. D. VANCE,

Treasurer and Collector.