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## Planning to Colonize Queen Charlotte Islands with Hardy Fisherfolk from Old Country

Moreton Frewen, Economist and Financier, Enthusiastic over Prince Rupert and its Future and Especially over the Development of the Fisheries.

(Special to The News via G. T. P. Telegraphs.)  
 A plan to colonize the Queen Charlotte Islands with fishermen and soldiers from the Old Country is one of the interesting schemes that Moreton Frewen, economist and financial expert, has in view. The plans are not worked out but Mr. Frewen has the ear of the public and a great deal of influence with the authorities both at Ottawa and at Victoria, as well as in England. He is now making investigations with a view to forwarding the scheme. He arrived here last night and will be in the city some days.

"It is a few months too early to expect much capital from England, but I am here looking into conditions and making plans," Mr. Frewen to a Daily News representative this morning. "I have been in Prince Rupert, however, and am going to have a great deal to say. From everything I hear you are now in a healthy, improving condition and I look for a steady growth with development."

Mr. Frewen is interested in a great deal of land across the harbor which has already been laid out for a townsite. It includes the property of which the salt lakes are a part. Naturally he is interested in the city and its future, and he is also an enthusiast on money and food production and sees in Prince Rupert one of the food stores of the Empire. He says that Prince Rupert is being talked of everywhere.

Noting from Sir John Lawes, Moreton Frewen mentioned a statement in which that eminent man said that one acre of water off the harbor would produce more food than one hundred acres of pastureland in one of the fertile fish counties. The same was true here. Enough interest was taken in the fisheries nor was the wonderful wealth conserved. He expected to see a great development of these in the near future and Prince Rupert would benefit therefrom.

Mr. Frewen went on to quote serious authorities on the use of fish which showed that at present there was seven pounds of meat used to one of fish. This portion should be changed. It would be much less tubercular and the general health of the nation would be better if less meat and more fish were used.

Mr. Frewen has done much to draw public attention to Prince Rupert. He has written many magazine articles. One on Canada's Fertile Northland recently appeared in "The Nineteenth Century and After."

Mr. Frewen said that he had been much interested in the railroads. He had been to Ottawa and talked with the minister and as a result he felt sure that Prince Rupert had everything in its hands and nothing to lose from the Government taking over the railroads. The Government realized its responsibilities to this place and the value of the port to the country and the result would be beneficial to the country. He felt that the Government was determined to go ahead with the plan and Prince Rupert would benefit.

E. Bissell, tax commissioner of the Grand Trunk Pacific Railroad, arrived in the city last evening. He is accompanied on his trip by Mrs. Bissell.

Book for Atkins' Sausages.  
**Notice to Launch and Boatmen**  
 Cables span Shawatlans Passage during repairs to Water Main. Slow down when crossing pipe and locate cables before proceeding.  
 F. S. CLEMENTS, City Engineer.

## NEW ENGLAND BRINGS FISH

Number of Boats in Port Sell Catches at Fish Exchange This Morning.

The big trawler New England is unloading 75,000 lbs. of halibut at the Atlin Fisheries' plant today. This is her first call here this season. This morning's fish sale was larger than for some time, but the price was down to 49¢ for first class fish, after having sold for 20¢ at the last two sales.

Following are the catches and prices:  
 Speculator, 5,000 lbs.; Vienna, 9,000; Venus, 11,000; Marguerite, 1,500, and June, 1,000 lbs., sold to the Cold Storage at 18.9c. and 13.4c.

Lancing, 8,000 lbs.; Cayceon, 2,000; D. C. F. No. 1, 7,000; Maghnel, 3,000; Dorreen, 6,000 lbs., sold to Royal Fisheries for 19c. and 13.4c.

Viola sold 2,000 lbs. to the Cold Storage at 18.6c and 13.4c. The Helena was in with 17,000 lbs., but her men were not satisfied with the price bid, so she went to Seattle.

## FIRE ABOARD PRINCE RUPERT

Boat Returned to Vancouver and Discharged Damaged Cargo.

(Special via G. T. P. Telegraphs.)  
 VANCOUVER, October 24.—The Prince Rupert will not arrive at Prince Rupert on time tomorrow. Shortly after leaving Vancouver last night fire was discovered aboard the boat and she returned to port. Her hold was flooded and the damaged cargo removed after which the vessel proceeded for Prince Rupert.

## GOOD OFFERINGS AT BOTH THE THEATRES

"A Very Good Young Man" at the Westholme and Humor at the Empress."

Bryant Washburn in "A Very Good Young Man" is the offering tonight at the Westholme Theatre. It is a story of a man being refused by a girl and then going off and making a fool of himself. He tries to be a bad man but fails and gives up the job in disgust. At the Empress "Johnny on the Spot" is said to be a picture with a laugh in every crank of the camera. It is a story filled with spontaneous and infectious humor, which centres around the deeper theme of a beautiful romance.

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## EX-EMPEROR IS CONCERNED IN INTRIGUES

Political Correspondent of Daily Mail Says He is in Constant Communication With Royalists.

(Special via G. T. P. Telegraphs.)  
 LONDON, Oct. 24.—The former Emperor and the former Crown Prince are concerned in intrigues of the German Royalists, the political correspondent of the Daily Mail asserts. The ex-emperor is far from leading a life of detachment from German affairs. He recently has seen a number of mysterious visitors from Germany and is receiving many telegrams. He is constantly in communication with some place in Germany by telephone, a private line having been attached to his residence across the frontier. These communications are with German Royalists.

## FRACTURED ARM

Dan McKenzie, ten years old, son of Duncan McKenzie, of Ambrose Avenue, was admitted to the General Hospital last evening with a fractured arm. The little fellow had been playing around the King Edward School, where he fell off a ladder, breaking his arm near the wrist. He is getting along this morning as well as can be expected.

## SUGAR SUPPLY IS ARRIVING

Several Shiploads on Way to Vancouver, the First Being Due on Monday.

VANCOUVER, October 24.—The sugar shortage in British Columbia will be materially relieved within the next two months, is the statement made today by D. S. Rogers of the B. C. Sugar Refinery, who said that starting next month a larger quantity would be available.

Two vessels from Fiji are on the way, the first carrying 74 tons due next Monday, and the second with 2,300 tons coming a week later. Then will follow several cargoes of Peruvian sugar. As to the future, sufficient raw material is in sight to assure to western Canada an ample supply for the first half of next year.

## British Government May Have to Resign

Defeated on Amendment to Alien Labor Law and House Adjourned until Monday to Consider Position.

(Special to The News via G. T. P. Telegraphs.)  
 LONDON, October 24.—The country is suddenly faced with the possibility of the resignation of the Government, owing to unexpected developments in the House of Commons by a majority of members. Only about half the members were present and voted with the result that the Government was defeated by 185 to 113.

It is the general belief in political circles that the Government will not resign but it is not unlikely that Home Secretary Short who is in charge of the Alien Bill, may tender his resignation.

The Alien Bill, the earlier stages of which were disposed of during the summer session, was in its report stage. The committee had previously inserted an amendment withholding pilotage certificates from all aliens and today the Government sought by an amendment to modify this resolution in favor mainly of French pilots for whom special provision had been made in the existing pilotage act.

The amendment was defeated although in charge of Government whips. Andrew Bonar Law at once moved the adjournment of the House until Monday to enable the Government to consider what course it would adopt. He admitted that the defeat of the amendment with Government whips was a serious matter, requiring considerable consideration, but he declined to admit that it necessarily implied the resignation of the ministry.

## KETCHIKAN MURDER WAS COLD-BLOODED

District Attorney Shot down on Street Last Evening by Patsy Shannahan

(Special to The News via G. T. P. Telegraphs.)  
 KETCHIKAN, October 24.—One of the foulest and most cold-blooded murders ever perpetrated in the North occurred here last evening at 5:30 when District Attorney Steve Ragar was shot in the head on one of the main streets in the presence of many people passing on the street. The shooting, it is said by eye-witnesses, was done by a logger, "Patsy" Shannahan, who has been acting strangely of late and had threatened Ragar after he had ordered him off the wharf. Immediately after the death, which was instantaneous, search parties were sent in all directions to locate Shannahan and he was placed under arrest coming out of his room in the hotel. Mr. Ragar was a married man with a family and had been district attorney in Ketchikan for a number of years. He was just returning home from his office, carrying a package of documents which he was taking home for his family. He was a respected citizen of Ketchikan and the ire of the people has been aroused by the terrible atrocity.

## Thirty Majority for Government over Grand Trunk Ry.

W. L. Mackenzie King makes first speech in house following re-election to Parliament; Bill read second time last night

(Special to The News via G. T. P. Telegraphs.)  
 OTTAWA, October 24.—Shortly after midnight the Liberal amendment to the motion for the second reading of the Grand Trunk bill calling for the postponement of consideration of the railway measure until next session was defeated by a vote of 91 to 61. The second reading was then declared carried on the same division. Three Government supporters voted with the opposition, Major Gen. McLean, J. E. Johnston and Major Andrews. The House then went into committee on the bill, but progress was soon reported and the House rose at 12.20.

The bill is being considered in committee again today and it is expected to give it a third reading not later than Monday, when it will go to the Senate, where a debate of some duration is expected.

In the first speech of Hon. W. L. Mackenzie King, the new Liberal Leader, since his re-election to Parliament it was announced that D. D. McKenzie would continue to be House leader for the remainder of the session. Mr. King declared that the Government's proposal in the matter of the railway was not public ownership at all. Guaranteed and debenture stocks were left in the hands of the present possessors, to whom the Government guaranteed four per cent interest annually for thirty years.

H. H. Stevens of Vancouver interjected the statement that ownership of the road was vested in the voting stock and not in that which the Grand Trunk stockholders will keep. Mr. King, however, reiterated that so long as the stock remained in the hands of the present shareholders, the Government would not own the road. These stockholders will reap the benefit of the Government guarantee, which would increase the value of the stocks to par.

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## TWO WEEKS OF VAUDEVILLE

Arrangements Made for a Large Musical Comedy Company to Give Series of Shows Here.  
 For two weeks, commencing tomorrow night, there will be a feast of musical comedy at the Westholme Theatre. Paul Aivazoff who arrived back from Seattle yesterday says that the Fisher's Folly Girls are a strictly high-class company of seventeen. There are six principals, a beauty chorus of eight and three comedians. They come here directly from the Orpheum circuit and played to crowded houses in Seattle.

The Folly Girls have a varied repertoire and will keep the local people well entertained for the next two weeks.

## POLICE COURT CASES ADJOURNED ONE DAY

In this morning's police court Al. McKay was fined ten dollars for being drunk. Ada Douglas was charged with the theft of a \$900 diamond ring from Jack Miller. Her case was adjourned till Monday morning and she is out on bail. The charge against E. J. Butler of supplying under the Indian Act was dismissed and he is now charged under the B. C. Prohibition Act of having liquor in his possession other than in a private place. The case was adjourned until tomorrow morning. The charge against Minnie Johnson of being drunk was also adjourned till tomorrow morning.

Frank Dowling, Jr., returned from Vancouver on the Princess Mary yesterday afternoon. He is leaving for the Yukon Telegraph Trail on Saturday and has made arrangements to take his college course by correspondence.

J. L. Mullen, president of the Prince Rupert Drydock & Engineering Co., returned yesterday from a rather lengthy visit to his home town, Pittsburg. He says he expects to stay the winter here in connection with the local ship-building operations.

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## CLAIMANT FOR DERBY HONORS

Lieut. Alex. Pearson, Jr., says He Made Actual Lowest Time in Flying Across Country.

WASHINGTON, October 24.—A claimant to first honors in the transcontinental airplane derby appeared today when the Air Service announced that Lieut. Alexander Pearson, Jr., established the lowest actual flying time between San Francisco and New York and return yet reported.

Pearson's time was 48 hours and 16 minutes for the round trip, practically ten hours less than Capt. Lowell Smith or J. O. Donaldson, and better than Lieut. Maynard's record, even after subtracting the eighteen hours Maynard spent in replacing his motor.

## COL. PECK ASKED TO ADDRESS SOLDIERS

According to a telegram received from Walter Drinnan, the secretary of the Great War Veterans' Association of British Columbia, the report to be brought in by commission on Soldiers' Civil Re-establishment at Ottawa will be unsatisfactory to the G. W. V. A. One of the most important matters is that there will be no bonus for keeping men through the winter and assisting them in getting established again. The representatives of the organization in Ottawa confirm that the report will be unsatisfactory. As a result of this the G. W. V. A. in each constituency is asking the member for the district to address them on the matter of civil re-establishment and a wire has been sent to Col. Peck, V. C., member for this district, to address the local organization.

## LOCAL NEWS ITEMS

Musical comedy and vaudeville at the Westholme tomorrow night. It is a year ago today since the Princess Sophia struck Vanderbilt reef in Lynn Canal, the result of which was the terrible disaster which will long be remembered the world over.