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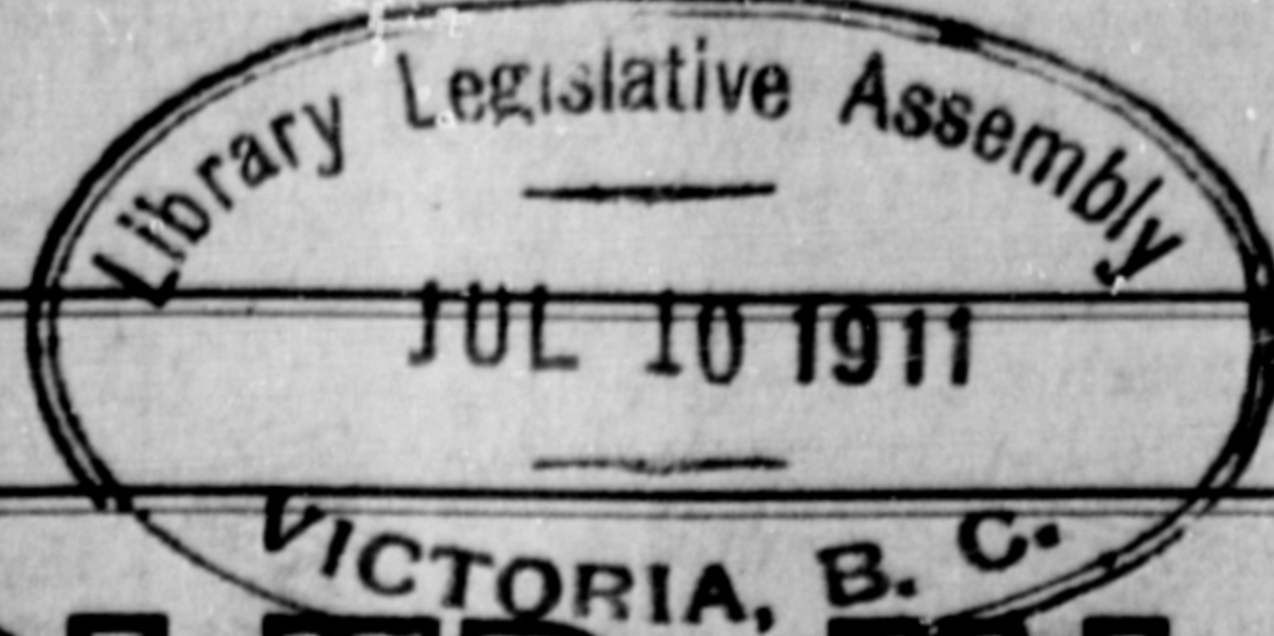
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PRICE FIVE CENTS

CUSTOMS RECEIPTS FOR JUNE TREBLED IN A YEAR

STEAMER SPOKANE LOST NEAR SEYMOUR NARROWS

One Passenger a Woman Name is Unknown is Missing---Feared She Was Drowned by Jumping Into the Water in a Panic When the Vessel Was Beached---Were Two Hundred on Board---Vessel is Probably a Total Wreck

The passenger steamer Spokane of the Pacific Coast excursion fleet, now lying on the rocks near the Seymour Narrows, a total wreck, and one of the passengers, a woman whose name is not yet known, is missing from the roll. By the prompt action of the vessel's captain a dreadful disaster was averted, for the S.S. Spokane is a large wooden steamer nearly as big as the State of California, and she was crowded with over two hundred excursionists making the Alaska trip from Seattle and the South.

In the Dreaded Narrows

Right in the fierce tide-rip that runs through the Seymour Narrows the most ticklish place all along the coast here, the Spokane took a sudden sheer at 11 p.m. Thursday night. She touched rock and it tore along her bottom. Water poured in, and realising that the vessel was in peril, her captain ran her ashore promptly at Plumpers Bay. Here she settled quickly, and there was some danger of a panic amongst the passengers. Lifeboats were swung out, however, and very quickly order was regained by the officers. One or two passengers, thinking the steamer was sinking leapt

for their lives, and when the boats got ashore and the list was gone over the report got out that a number had been drowned. Several were missing but these turned up one by one later.

One Believed Drowned

One woman, however, was not found after the rest of the passengers had been accounted for. A report says that she was the mother of two girls and had two sons on board also. She was seen on deck with her daughters when the boats were being launched, and is thought to have either jumped or fallen overboard in the momentary panic that occurred. This news was brought in by one of the crew of the Prince George which stood by the wreck for an hour until the American boat City of Seattle arrived, and the Admiral Sampson.

Captain Saunders' Story

Shortly after the beaching of the Spokane the Prince George entered the Narrows and was warned by wireless that a wreck had happened. Captain Saunders stood by the wreck for an hour, and the captain and officers of the Spokane boarded the George after their passengers had been safely taken ashore. The wreck

was caused by the strong tide making the vessel sheer suddenly in the Narrows. Captain Saunders was not able to say whether the Spokane can be salvaged or not. Her skipper had not been able to estimate the extent of the damage done. Efforts were being made to find the missing passengers then. There was not the slightest need for them to have jumped. A report announcing the wreck, and stating that two passengers were missing reached Rupert by wireless on Friday evening.

Is Badly Damaged

According to Mr. Duncan McRae of McRae Bros., who was a passenger on the Prince George, the Spokane appeared to have had her back broken on the rocks, as her decks were all wavy, and her stern instead of preserving the contour of the vessel's lines, was hanging down into the water.

Grand Dance

A grand dance will be given by the Young People's Dancing Club, at the Auditorium Tuesday evening, July 4th. Music by Gray's Full Orchestra. Tickets \$1.50. Ladies free. Doors open from 9 p.m. to 2 a.m.

BIG INCREASE IN CUSTOMS

Receipts Almost Treble in June 1911 Compared with Same Month Last Year.

Almost treble is the increase in Customs receipts for June 1911 compared with June 1910: The figures are:

June 1911	\$11,221
June 1910	4,779

Increase..... 6,442

Customs Collector Macdonald looks for a phenomenal month in July. Since he moved into his handsome new office on Centre street, in Piercy Morris' old premises business has increased considerably.

HOUSTON WARD TABLET IS HERE

Brass Plate Bearing Inscription Commemorating the Late John Houston as Founder of the Hospital Will Soon be Placed.

In the John Houston Ward of the Prince Rupert General Hospital in a day or two there will be placed the memorial tablet designating the ward. The engraved brass plate was received the other day from the south by Dr. Reddie, and is now in the hands of Mr. J. Dennis who is making arrangements to have it mounted and put in place. The tablet bears the following inscription:

THIS WARD IS DEDICATED TO THE MEMORY OF THE LATE JOHN HOUSTON, PIONEER. PHILANTHROPIST. THE ORIGINAL FOUNDER OF THIS INSTITUTION

With the placing in position of the plate of the John Houston Houston Ward will be complete. Already the ward has done useful service as part of the efficient General Hospital of Prince Rupert.

For good pure butter and fresh ranch eggs go to Prince Rupert Fish Market

HUNDREDS TOOK PART IN LAND AND WATER SPORTS

Dominion Day Contests Were Keenly Enjoyed---Rover Won Contest for Power Boats and Longshoremen the Six Oared Race ---A. Nicholson Made Magnificent Run in Ten Mile Road Race After Having Carried off the Three Mile--- List of Prize Winners

In spite of rather uncertain weather conditions the celebration of Dominion Day in Prince Rupert was quite a success. Great deeds were done by the city's favorite athletes. The citizens proved themselves keen followers of sport. They stayed with the long program of events to the splendid finish of the ten mile by Nicholson which was in itself "worth all the money." Nicholson, the hero of the day, finished his ten miles in fine shape after maintaining an even pace all through. His time (unofficial) was just under sixty minutes. Watson, the fire department favorite, came in an excellent second. Both Nicholson and Watson were carried shoulder high by the enthusiastic crowd at the tape line, and the ovation the successful runners received as they finished was worth hearing.

Sherman's Clean Up

With three firsts, a second, and a team runner's prize to lift Sherman was, with Nicholson, tremendously popular. Nicholson had two firsts and one second to carry off, and the ovation accorded to him was immense. Another popular winner was Picketts whose two firsts and a second prize

were borne off the stage by him amid cheers, and "What's the matter with Claxton?"

Rupert's Pastor Athlete

First prize winner in the Business Men's race, record holder in his college days, and strenuously energetic Starter throughout the whole of the Land Sports, Rev. W. H. McLeod in reading the roll of honor on the Empress stage on the evening of Dominion Day paid very high tribute to the athletic achievements of Prince Rupert's citizens. He was enthusiastic regarding the stamina and speed displayed by the men who finished the ten mile, and declared that these men would compare well with the athletes of world reputation, when you consider the extremely trying nature of the ten mile track. This, though the best available, was over the plank streets, far from level, and heavy owing to the moisture that gathered on it.

Cinder Track Soon

But the Rev. Mr. McLeod mentioned that a very live movement is on foot to obtain through the city council a proper Sports Park. A likely site is known of, and has even been measured off

roughly by enthusiasts amongst whom without mentioning names, are certain live ones of our city fathers. There is room for a quarter mile track, which may be a cinder track, also a baseball diamond, a tennis courts, and perhaps a football field. "Don't let the defects of today's course discourage you," said Rev. Mr. McLeod to the athletes and audience. "Have just a little patience, and very soon we shall have ground worthy of your energy and enthusiasm for sport."

Popular Events

The Ten Mile was the event of the day of course, but keen excitement was aroused in the three mile, the 880 yards, quarter mile, and hundred yards. The Walking race was a capital event from the spectacular point of view. Some of the contestants showed finished style, but some of the most finished stylists came to a premature finish themselves. Jack Beattie lost his laurels in the Fat Man's race, but then his opponent George Wall who came in first, was really quite a wafer compared with the genial champion of the Victoria Day race. The mile race in which

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DEPUTY-GOVERNOR BULYEA VISITS PRINCE RUPERT

Berta's Official Head Compliments Prince Rupert's Citizens for the Way They Have Overcome Obstacles to Create a City

Official representative of King George over a territory measuring 1,180 square miles, which according to the judges at a grain and oats in the world last year, is the honor claimed by George Hedley Vicars Bulyea, Lieutenant Governor of the Province of Alberta, who was a visitor on Saturday. He came in from Vancouver on the S.S. Prince George with his wife, and left by S.S. State of California for Victoria and Seattle Saturday night. His Honour is taking a holiday rather than go to the Old Pacific Coast. His visit to Prince Rupert was his first visit and right pleased he was with it he saw.

It is all very wonderful," he said. "the great progress made in laying out the city in face of almost insuperable difficulties. It is going to be a big commercial centre on the railroad gets through." The visitor could not be induced to even comment on how prosperity would effect Alberta or whether the ranchers or farmers preferred it. "You understand," said the Lieutenant Governor, "that it would be very unwise for me at this juncture to discuss prosperity or politics. I will, however, talk on crops."

It was then learned that hope was high among the farmers of Alberta about the crops. The fall thus far has been good

and a bumper harvest is positively assured.

By next fall the noble pile of buildings costing over a million and a half dollars, will be ready for the Legislative Assembly to meet in. When the buildings and grounds are completed Alberta will then boast of as fine a House of Parliament as any province or state in the world. In design this new edifice is like the Capitol in Washington.

"No, there is absolutely no significance whatever to my visit," said His Honour. "I am here on pleasure bent with my wife."

Like Lieutenant Governor Brown of Saskatchewan, who was here a short time ago Lieutenant Governor Bulyea predicts great and wonderful things for his own province.

Lieutenant Governor Bulyea is a native of Gagetown Queen's County, New Brunswick. He was born there on February 17, 1859, of N. E. Loyalists parents. After graduating at the University of New Brunswick in 1878 he married Miss Annie Blanche Babbitt, daughter of the Registrar of Queen's Co., N. B.

His Honour was appointed Lieutenant Governor of Alberta in 1905.

One of the best candy makers from Vancouver is now employed by the Palace of Sweets, Third Avenue, who will introduce a special candy every day.

"Watch that B" was quite a special "yell" invented by the boys of the Baptist Brotherhood as their numerous champion athletes romped along to victory. Many laurels came the way of the brotherhood. They proved themselves a bright bunch, good losers, great winners, and do credit to the organization and their athletic pastor.

HERE AND THERE ON CANADA'S BIRTHDAY

Comments of Interest on Persons and Events of Importance in Prince Rupert on Dominion Day 1911

Flew the Flags

In honor of the day the S.S. Prince George steamed into port decorated gaily with flags and streamers.

A Medley

Some of the motor boats barked, some coughed, some wheezed, some panted, some groaned and some couldn't be coaxed into doing anything at all.

Into the Drink

Two dogs got into a scrap on the wharf in the morning and while they had got their teeth in each other the spectators hurled the dogs from the wharf into the drink, where the desire to continue the fight was dampened. The second round was fought by the dogs later and into the drink they were dumped again.

Dumped from Canoe

Melville said the water was fine when his canoe upset while he was trying to win honors in the Crab race. He was picked up by a row boat that went quickly to his aid.

You Did Well, Jack

In spite of the quantity of breath Jack Beattie poured through the megaphone at the sports, he had enough left to win a second prize in the Fat Man's race.

On a String

While the Mayor was holding the tape for the flat races A. O. Morse, the secretary of the P. R. I. A., came along the course. Playfully the Mayor lassoed the representative of labor in Prince Rupert and the rope joyfully curled about his hat. Mr. Morse endeavored to free himself but the rope got round his arm. He took the joke in excellent part in

Where to Go

EMPRESS THEATRE, Second Ave. Pictures and Music, 7.30 p.m.

MAJESTIC THEATRE, Third Ave. Pictures and songs, 7.30 p.m.

PHENIX THEATRE, Second Avenue. Pictures and music, 7.30 p.m.

AUDITORIUM, Sixth Ave., Roller Skating.

CITY HALL, City Council, 8 p.m., tonight.

Mayor a Hard Worker

Mayor Manson worked zealously to make the day a success. He was on hand early and did not withdraw until the curtain went down at the close of the concert.

Birth Notice

To Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Brooks--bank on Sunday evening a son.

PRIZES WERE AWARDED ON THE THEATRE STAGE

The Ordeal of the Footlights Awaited All the Prize Winners---Excellent Concert Marked the Close of an Enjoyable Dominion Day Devoted to Sport

Dominion Day in Prince Rupert was wound up by a most successful concert in the Empress Theatre which was also made the occasion of the awarding of the cups and prizes won by the athletes, and at which the Tug-of-War contest for the Overseas Club Cup was pulled. It was a bright thought to have all the prizes and cups placed in the limelight on the stage for when the curtain rose and disclosed the Mayor seated smilingly beside that shining array of silverware the scene was a brilliant one.

Bright Music

The presence of the Prince Rupert Orchestra contributing musical selections during the intervals was greatly appreciated, and the Skidegate Indian Band more than made good with splendidly rendered selections. The presence of the same band on the wharf during the Aquatic Sports, and at the grand stand during the Land Events was certainly a much appreciated feature of the day's doings. Songs serious, sentimental, and comic by some of the city's favorite artists went splendidly.

the winners of the various races as they came up for their prizes awarded by the Mayor, and the excitement ran high when the tug of war was contested on the stage. The two teams competing in the final were the Digby Island Marine Station Construction Team and the Grand Trunk Pacific Bridgebuilders Team. The result after a fierce tussle was a win for the bridgebuilders. The handsome cup awarded in this contest was presented by the Prince Rupert Overseas Club.

All the prizes for water and land sports were awarded, and cries of admiration and encouragement greeted the winners one and all. Sherman was told gleefully to "Stay on the stage" when he came up for his third time for a prize. He had two more at least to carry off. Nicholson was the darling of the day. The wiry little chap looked fit for another ten miles as he bore off the coveted cup. Popular Claxton prize winners were hailed with delight, and the Longshoremen thundered their approval of their heroes of the six oar race. The lady prize winners in the mixed double skiff races were too modest to face the willing applause of the multitude, but their partners bore off their prizes for them. Not until late was the prize giving over, and Dominion Day was within an hour of its close before the crowd began to disperse from the theatre.

As they came ashore after their triumphant six oar progress to victory, the Longshoremen were met by faithful attendants bearing refreshments adorned with tinsel and ribbons. The cup was not ready at the moment, but the bottles did well enough for the boys. With great good will they got down at once to work unloading the George, fresh as daisies every man of them.

Tremendous enthusiasm greeted