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BOARD OF TRADE FAVORS TSIMPSEAN POWER OFFER

WILL ASK COMMISSION TO ALTER FREIGHT RATES

Question of Exorbitant Freight Rates to be Brought Before the Railway Commission by the Board of Trade—Want Charges to be Fixed by Freight

Maintaining that the freight rates between here and Vancouver are not on an equitable basis the Board of Trade last night empowered the council of the Board to acquire all the information on the matter possible with a view to laying it before the Railroad Commission when that body is here on August 11 and endeavor to get redress for what now seems to be wrong in the charges.

The assistance of the Boards of Trade of Vancouver, Victoria and other coast cities will be asked to aid the local Board to point out the necessity of an alteration in the rates and method of classification to the Commission.

The contention is that a rate fixed for the weight of goods, and a charge made by space would be a better system than the one now in vogue.

A letter from the Commission dated that the application of John Y. Rochester, Georgetown Lumber Company, Union Transfer Company, Westenhaver Brothers, Westholme Lumber Company and W. H. Law of Prince Rupert, B. C., for an order under section 233 directing the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway Company

MEAT STRIKE THREATENED

Meat Laborers in London, Eng., Tying up Business.
(Canadian Press Despatch)
London, Aug. 3.—The meat trade of England is seriously threatened by a strike of 12000 dock laborers at the London docks today growing out of a wage dispute. At least twenty vessels with beef cargoes are unable to discharge.

MOVING PICTURE MAN TOOK PICTURES OF "RED DEVIL"

Mr. Harbeck Was on the Job Just as the Motor Fire Engine Was Called to a Fire—Got Good Pictures of the Harbor Too

Just as the fire alarm was rung yesterday afternoon when the union rooms were ablaze Mr. H. Harbeck, the moving picture man who arrived here yesterday to take films of this district, happened to be on Borden street with his machine. He had a fine view of all that was going on and he quickly set up his machine and photographed the approach of the motor fire engine, the running out of the hose, the smoke belching out of the roof of the house and all the interesting incidents of the fire.

Took Picture of Harbor

Earlier in the afternoon he was seen all around the harbor and to Seal Cove. Several hundred feet of film was used on all the best scenery along the waterfront. These pictures when developed will be shown all over the world.

Mr. Harbeck left for Stewart this morning. He will be here tomorrow.

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THEY MADE HIM KEEP HIS WORD

Posse of Prisoners Chased and Beat a Prisoner Who Fleed

(Canadian Press Despatch)
Reno, Aug. 3.—When James Antone, embezzler, escaped from the road gang of convicts near Carson yesterday, three convicts, two murderers and the other a horse thief, headed a posse and captured him in the mountains. Antone, when captured, was soundly abused by murderers, horse thieves, and burglars for breaking his word of honor given to Warden Baker not to escape.

The convicts swore a month ago that they would capture the next man who escaped.

BASEBALL SCORES

Northwestern League
Tacoma 1, Vancouver 3; 13 innings.
Seattle 4, Spokane 2.
Portland 9, Victoria 8.
National League
Chicago 1, Brooklyn 0.
New York 8, Pittsburg 4.
Boston 5, St. Louis 2.
No other games.
Pacific Coast League
Portland 4, San Francisco 5.
Oakland 0, Sacramento 5.
Los Angeles 4, Vernon 2.
American League
St. Louis 0, Philadelphia 3.
Cleveland 10, New York 6.

FLY 40 MILES IN 50 MINUTES

Two Aviators Fly from Toronto to Hamilton—One Flew Across Lake.

(Canadian Press Despatch)
Toronto, Aug. 3.—The first long distance aviation flight ever attempted in Canada took place today between Hamilton and Toronto when J. A. D. McCurdy and Charles Willard flew forty miles in fifteen minutes. Willard followed the line of the railway tracks while McCurdy flew across Lake Ontario. Both were welcomed by thousands of people.

Washington 3, Chicago 1.
Boston 7, Detroit 3.

MOTHER BETRAYS SON FOR OLD TIME MURDER

She Was the Only Witness When W. E. Lonsberry Killed His Wife near Tillsonburg—Confronted With Evidence of His Deed Man Makes Full Confession

(Canadian Press Despatch)
Detroit, Aug. 3.—After concealing the murder of his wife for six long years, W. E. Lonsberry, a Canadian from the village of Mabee near Tillsonburg, is in a cell here, betrayed by his own mother. Since his arrest the dead body of his wife has been unearthed from beneath the floor of his barn and Lonsberry has made a clean breast of the whole affair.

Story of the Crime

Mrs. Lonsberry, the wife, disappeared six years ago on January 5th, 1905, and her husband gave it out that they had quarreled and she had left home. Nothing more was thought about the matter until about two months ago, when Lonsberry's mother, who is eighty-three years old, and who was living with her son, went to her minister and told him that she had seen her son kill his wife six years ago. On the clergyman's advice she went recently to Sheriff Donovan and repeated the story to him.

Dug the Body Up

Mrs. Lonsberry, senior, insisted that her son had buried the body somewhere about the place. Officers dug up the cellar under the house and searched two old wells

on the farm, but without result. Yesterday they pulled up the floor of the sheep shed and began to dig. Three feet down they came upon the body of a dead woman.

There were two gold rings on one of the fingers, which Mrs. Robert Fulton, a neighbor, positively identified as having belonged to Mrs. Lonsberry.

Husband Confesses

When confronted with the facts the husband announced that he was ready to confess.

He said his wife and his mother did not get along well together. The wife had locked the old lady upstairs, and this led to a quarrel. He struck his wife several blows, and she fell. She lay without moving, and though he and his mother tried to revive her their efforts were in vain.

This happened shortly before noon on January 5, 1905. He covered up the body and left it on the floor until midnight, when he carried it out to the sheep shed and buried it under the floor.

Glad to Confess

At the conclusion of his confession Lonsberry said that he felt relieved now that it was all off his mind.

BOARD OF TRADE FAVORS TSIMPSEAN CO.'S OFFER

Thinks That the Terms Offered Are Very Fair, and That It Would Be to the Best Interests of the City to Make a Long Term Agreement--Suggest to Council to Get the Opinion of an Electrical Expert and a Franchise Lawyer Before Closing Agreements

By a unanimous vote the Board of Trade endorsed the Tentative Agreement of the Tsimpsean Light and Power Company at a meeting last night. Here is the resolution moved by H. F. McRae and seconded by W. P. Lynch:

"That inasmuch as the Tsimpsean Light and Power Company are asking for no exclusive rights in this agreement, thus leaving the city in a position to develop their own power at any time they wish, that the Board of Trade put itself on record in favor of this Tentative Agreement subject to the minor changes recommended by the committee and that a copy of this resolution be sent to the City Council."

Report was Read

The report of the special committee of the board was read by J. H. Pillsbury. It first commented on the prices and measurement suggested by the company: "There is no explanation in the company's proposals as to how the prices of power delivered are to be based," it said. A price of so much per horse power per year is set forth varying in accordance with the amount of power used within certain limits. It is the

custom when selling electrical power to base the measurements by what is known as the peak load. The Tsimpsean Company has nothing to say on this point.

Continuing the report explained methods of charging for power and compared the prices of the chief cities and towns of Canada.

Favor Long Agreement

Another clause read "We may be obliged to pay more for power in the future if a reasonable price is not fixed upon from the start with a reliable company for a fairly long term of years."

"We expect within the next five years to see numerous industries established here requiring power and if it is true, and it probably is, that the Tsimpsean Company have nearly all the water power in the vicinity corralled such concerns would be in a bad position if only a short agreement were made. They would probably prefer a guaranteed reasonable rate for a long term, for they would then know what to depend upon. The longer the agreement, the cheaper the rates that may be reasonably expected.

Suggestions to Council

Concluding the committee recommended a few other changes and suggested that the city council, in the event of adopting the

agreement with the company, employ an expert electrical engineer and an expert franchise lawyer.

Mr. R. Brutinel, who was present at the meeting was asked several questions, which he explained very satisfactorily. He stated that as at present negotiations were now being held with the city council he did not wish to disclose the plans of the company for fear that it might be construed he was trying to influence things in favor of the company.

Will Spend Money

"We are prepared to commence at once and spend two millions and a half of dollars," said Mr. Brutinel. "We have the money and I am not talking through my hat and when this amount is gone we have more. We will start work this week on the erection of a plant at Khtada Falls and if an agreement with the city is reached we shall be able to supply power here within a year."

Mr. Brutinel intimated that his company would bring other industries of their own here. The supplying of power and light was not the limit of what they would do.

President A. J. Morris was chairman of the meeting.

ARBITRATION TRIUMPHS

(Canadian Press Despatch)
Washington, D. C., Aug. 3.—The general arbitration treaties between the United States and Britain, and France constituting the most advanced step ever taken in family nations for the peaceful settlement of disputes will be signed tomorrow. Paris and Washington will be scenes of the conclusion of the negotiations of worldwide conventions.

AS BIG AS EGGS

Strawberries Grown in Lakelse
Beautiful luscious strawberries, as large, some of them, as a hen's egg with a flavor that cannot be beaten were on sale around the city yesterday. These berries came from the Lakelse Valley and some of the best are grown on the ranch of Arthur C. Little, the well known news agent, and Dan Stewart's ranch in the Lakelse Valley.

MOTOR FIRE ENGINE DID SPLENDID WORK YESTERDAY

It Extinguished a Bad Blaze at the Clinton Rooms Within Half an Hour, Travelling Over Rough Roads in Record Time—Good Work Done

Damage to the extent of \$500 was done by fire yesterday afternoon to the Clinton Rooms, boarding and rooming house on Fraser street near Eighth. The loss is covered by insurance. Nothing but the quick response to the alarm and splendid work of the fire department saved a more serious conflagration.

The alarm was rung in at 3.45. Crowds of people rushed to the burning house. Big tongues of flame were shooting through the roof and residents in neighboring houses made haste to clear everything out to the safety zone.

There was no lack of helpers. Every able bodied man helped run out the hose or lend a hand to get things out of the burning place.

Chief McInnes and his men worked splendidly and in less than half an hour got the fire out in spite of the fact that they were handicapped by lack of ladders, by poor water pressure and a rough and difficult road to get around. The advantage of having a motor fire reel was shown, for

within three minutes after it was known there was a fire Driver Gibson had his engine on the job at Fraser street despite the rough road.

Assistant Chief Macdonald had his eye slightly injured by being hit with the nozzle of a hose.

Mr. and Mrs. Anderson own the Clinton Rooms and the only explanation they can give as the cause is spontaneous combustion in a pile of mattresses in a top room of the house. The fire was confined to the top floor and roof.

The next fire in Prince Rupert may visit your home.

If you want to be protected from the disastrous consequences of a fire at your own home or place of business consult the Mack Realty Co. They are agents for all the leading reliable fire insurance companies. Prompt settlement of fire losses is a feature of their business. Do not defer this important matter. A few hours longer delay may be disastrous for you.

THE FIRST TWIN SCREW LAUNCH IN RUPERT

Handsome New Craft Built at Hays Creek by A. G. McLaren and H. Davidson—Is Double Engine, Lighted with Electric Light and Beautifully Modelled

Today the first twin-screw gasoline launch built in Prince Rupert lies at the Davis boat stage. The new launch is named the "Nimrod" and belongs to its builders Messrs. A. G. McLaren and H. Davidson.

In every respect this boat is fit to rank amongst the finest of Prince Rupert's growing fleet of smart launches. Thirty-two feet long, ten feet in the beam, and drawing four feet of water, the Nimrod is built according to the latest eastern model with overhanging stern. She is built throughout of fir, with white oak frame, and her power consists of

two 5 H. P. "Knox" engines brought specially from her builders' home city, Camden, Maine.

Worth \$2000

When complete the Nimrod will represent an outlay in cash and labor of about \$2000. She took two months to build, and three months more to finish the hull and house, etc. The arrangement of engines makes the boat very roomy inside. Her cabins are built in natural colored fir, and have 6 feet 6 inches headroom. Ample deck room is a feature and the whole appearance of the boat is yacht-like.

Many special features belong

Templeman's Denial

Vancouver, B.C., Aug. 3.—A telegram received in the city today from Hon. Wm. Templeman denies the report that he will not stand for re-election. He may stand in his old constituency of Victoria.

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