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PRICE FIVE CENTS

PROPOSED TO DIVIDE THE CITY INTO THREE WARDS

SUFFERED DEATH WOUND ON THE HUNTING TRAIL

STRENUOUS ATTEMPT TO RUSH MUSIKE, A YOUNG MONTENEGRIN, INTO HOSPITAL BY TRAIN TO SAVE HIS LIFE PROVED OF NO AVAIL—ACCIDENT UP RIVER.

Hurried into the hospital from the afternoon train yesterday with a serious wound in the abdomen caused by the accidental discharge of his rifle, Musike Rajkovich, a young Montenegrin who resided in the Cetinje Hotel, died last night.

He had gone up river to hunt not far from the G. T. P. and was accompanied by a fellow countryman. While going through the brush carrying his rifle the trigger caught and the gun went off, the bullet tearing an ugly wound in the lower part of the hunter's

COUNCIL WANTS THREE WARDS

Proposal is Made to Still Further Carve Up the City Into Artificial Fragments.

Alderman Kirkpatrick last night introduced the Ward bylaw to divide up the city into three wards, each with three aldermen. The proposed boundaries are practically McBride street and Fulton, but in the case of Fulton street the boundaries wind around at the top end so as to include Comox avenue district in Center ward and exclude the other residents, who will vote in West ward.

The bylaw will come up for further consideration next Monday.

St. Andrew's Society.

A meeting of the St. Andrew's Society will be held in the Carpenters' hall tonight at 8 o'clock.

Miles of ribbon with "Merrie Xmas," holly, etc., for tying up your gifts. Gives them the "final dainty touch."—Wallace's.

Mr. M. English was a passenger for Vancouver by the Prince Rupert this morning.

R. H. Corley left for the south by the G.T.P. boat this morning.

HONORED RALPH SMITH

Ex-Member for Nanaimo Was Banquetted by Fellow Townsmen

(Canadian Press Despatch.)
Nanaimo, Dec. 8.—The citizens of Nanaimo irrespective of political creed, gave a grand public banquet last night to Mr. Ralph Smith, Nanaimo's ex-member in the House of Commons who is leaving in the near future to take up his residence in Vancouver.

For the past 20 years Mr. Smith has been one of the most prominent men in the city's public life, and many tributes were paid to the public services he had rendered.

Salegirls wanted—Wallace's.

WITH XMAS MAIL

Prince Rupert Today Was Last Boat Taking Old Country Xmas Letters.

About sixty first class passengers and a hundred second class and deck passengers left for below by the G.T.P. ss. Prince Rupert this morning. The Rupert carried th old country mail.

A gift that always pleases—beautiful chinaware. Many things from the celebrated potteries of Europe.—Wallace's.

Council and City Band.

Mention was made last night of the proposed city contribution to a city band. The matter, says Alderman Clayton, is still under advisement.

Decorate! Garlands, bells, flags, etc.—Wallace's.

A NEW SEWER IS PROPOSED

Mayor and City Engineer to Address Ratepayers in Presbyterian Hall Tonight.

Following the defeat of the late trunk sewer bylaw, the Mayor and the City Engineer are contemplating a new sewer scheme that may be acceptable to the residents of Hays Creek. What the scheme is no one as yet knows.

Tonight in the Presbyterian Hall the Mayor and the City Engineer will address a meeting of the residents of Sections 5, 6, 7 and 8 and outline the new scheme. In addition the question of the purity of Morse Creek water for drinking purposes and the question of how to raise money for building plank roads in the outlying sections will be discussed.

GEORGE BLACK GETS GOOD JOB

Well-Known Vancouver Lawyer, and ex-Yukoner, Is Made Commissioner for the Yukon.

(Canadian Press Despatch.)
Vancouver, Dec. 8.—George Black, a well-known lawyer and a former resident of Dawson 1898, will be the next commissioner for the Yukon when the resignation of Commissioner Henderson comes into effect on December 17th. Black is now in Ottawa and his appointment is certain.

The Indemnity Bylaw.
At last night's Council meeting the Indemnity bylaw, providing for the payment of the indemnity to Mayor and Aldermen for their attendance at Council during the year, went through its first and second readings. It will come up again on Monday night for final consideration.

PANIC-STRICKEN ACTING MAYOR

"For God's Sake, Don't Try to Work," Said Vernon Smith to S. P. McMordie During Strike.

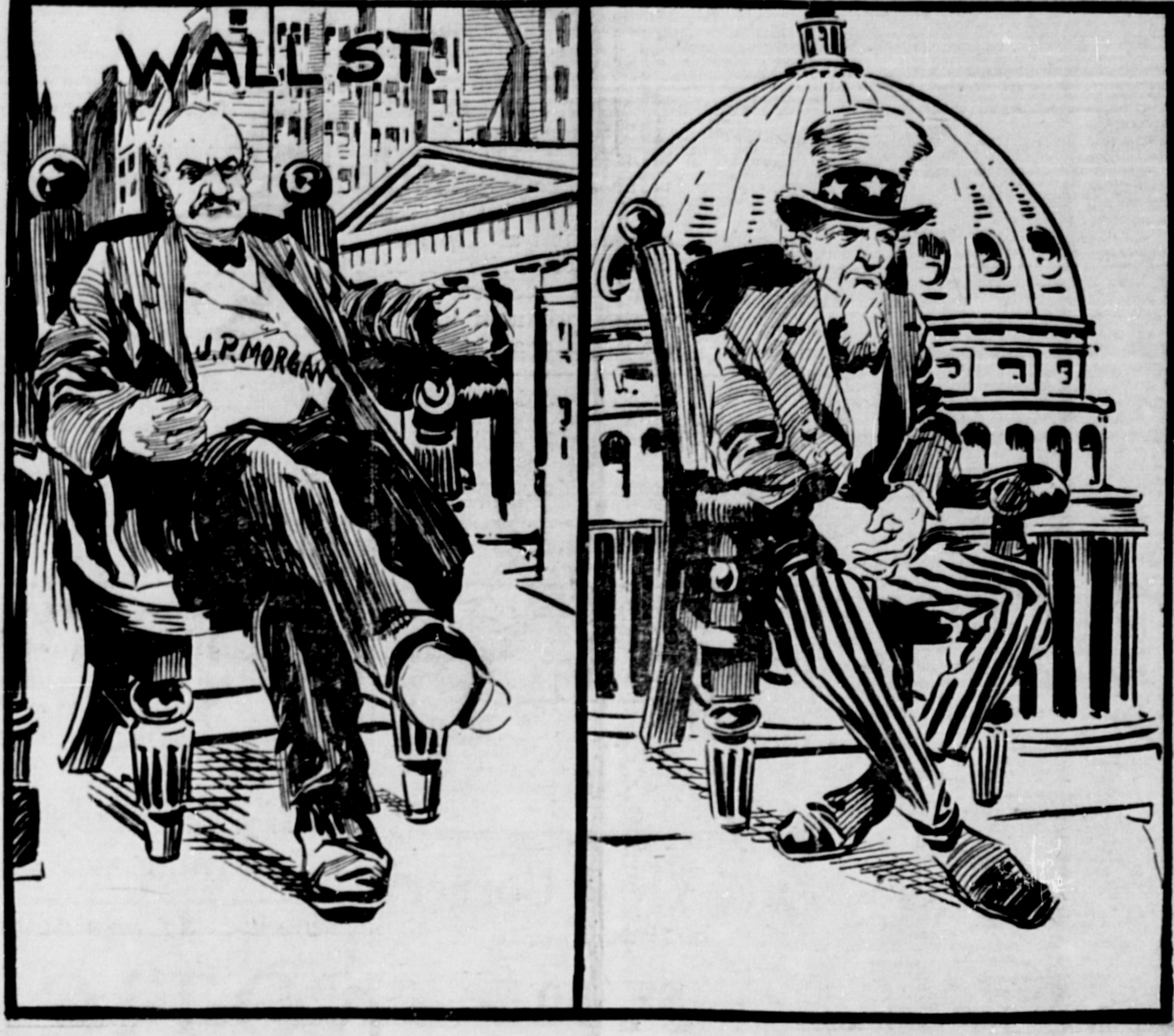
"For God's sake, don't try to work," are the actual words used by Acting Mayor Smith to S. P. McMordie in connection with the contractor's efforts to start up his contract during the strike. This was stated by S. P. McMordie under oath this morning as witness in the case of Watson vs. City, still proceeding.

City Solicitor Peters suggested that the change in police chief had ended the strike by the method of making a determined stand to stop the trouble.

"The war in short was quick and bloody," suggested the City Solicitor.

"Had it been a little quicker it might have been much less bloody," replied the contractor.

WHO RULES THE UNITED STATES?



The recent disclosures in the investigation of the United States Steel Corporation, now being held at Trenton by Justices Bullington, Gray and Lannington, have opened the eyes of the people of America to the fact that a perpetual civil war is in progress between the people of the United States and the trusts.

A clever cartoonist has depicted the question that is in the minds of the people by the accompanying picture, entitled "Who rules the United States?"

AUSTRALIA IS SEEKING RECIPROCITY TREATY WITH THE UNITED STATES

Mr. Neil Neilson, Member of the Federal Parliament of Australia, is Now in America on a Mission to Negotiate a Reciprocity Treaty With our Neighbors

(Special to Daily News.)
San Francisco, Dec. 7.—Neil Neilson, a member of the Federal House of Australia, has arrived here on the liner Sierra on a mission to negotiate a reciprocity treaty with the United States. He is empowered with full authority by his government and will proceed at once to Washington.

REALISE THE ADVANTAGES.
Mr. Neilson states that the people of the Commonwealth realise the great commercial advantages that would follow to them if they could arrange a satisfactory reciprocity treaty with the United States, which is the nearest white neighbor to Australia.

WILL STUDY IRRIGATION.
Mr. Neilson, who is also interested in irrigation problems, will make a study of United States methods of irrigation and attend the National Irrigation conference in Chicago this month. He believes that great areas of land in Australia can be reclaimed for agriculture by scientific irrigation.

CITY OPENS UP ITS DEFENCE IN THE CONTRACTORS' SUIT FOR DAMAGES

Supt. of Works, in His Cross-Examination, Admits That the Dump Was Often Ahead of the Retaining Wall Gangs—Witness Described Police Protection as a Farce

Supt. of Public Works M. J. McNeil was the principal witness for the defense examined in this morning's hearing of the case of Watson vs. City. His evidence principally went to show that in his opinion the construction of retaining walls by the city did not hinder the contractor. He would not swear that lumber taken off the contract by the city had been measured by the city or any city employee, and said that the only time he had had any difference with Watson was when he had threatened to strike him, and then it was witness' fault.

Cross-examined by Mr. W. E. Williams, he admitted that Watson had an end dump some distance ahead of the retaining walls, but this, he maintained did not mean that the retaining wall was hindering the work.

John R. Morgan, contractor, gave clear evidence to show that it was more difficult for a contractor to dump for retaining walls than straight ahead. He described all the evidence of the Superintendent of Public Works as "ridiculous" and said the city's attempt at police protection was a farce.

Salegirls wanted—Wallace's.

JACK BEATTY WENT SOUTH
Rumor Says He Will Be Appointed in Charge of New Govt. Wharf.

Mr. J. R. Beatty was among the passengers who went south by the Prince Rupert for Victoria this morning. It is understood that Mr. Beatty's name has been mentioned in connection with the appointment of a wharfmaster for the new Provincial government wharf. J. R. is expected back in a few days with a No. 9 smile on his genial face.

NINE BIRTHS; ONE DEATH
Last Month Showed How Healthy a Place Prince Rupert Is.

Prince Rupert is in a healthy condition, as usual, reports the Medical Health Officer. Last month there were nine births and five deaths, four of which were cases brought in from outlying places up river.

INDIAN GIRLS WARNED
Five Port Simpson Natives Charged With Being Disorderly

Five Indian girls were this morning arraigned before Magistrate Carss, charged with doubtful conduct. They were warned to leave the city and return to Port Simpson or pay the penalty of fine or imprisonment. One case was withdrawn though the girl was warned against late hours and bad company.

COAL PROBLEM UP AGAIN; CONTRACT TO BE CANCELED

CHEAP COAL DECIDED ON FOR LIGHT PLANT AFTER DISCUSSION RECENTLY REFUSED BY SUPT. LOVE—NEW TENDERS TO BE CALLED FOR.

The Council coal problem is up again. The present light plant coal contract is to be canceled and new tenders called for.

E. Love, superintendent of the light plant, wrote last night to the Council complaining that the coal now being delivered is of too poor quality to serve the purposes of the plant. The coal is full of slack, says Mr. Love, and in wet weather weighs so much more than tons are lost to the city. Love also said that the scales are never in the same place on the wharf where he can get them, and on one occasion he found them off balance.

Mr. Love asked the Mayor to cancel the contract for this coal, and Alderman Hilditch accordingly moved that Mr. Kelly, the contractor for the coal, be notified to stop delivery.

The City Solicitor suggested that the contractor should be ordered to pay the difference in price between the poor quality coal and the right stuff. Tenders will be called for 225 tons of steam coal at once.

'BEST BOOSTER' HAS GONE BACK

T. D. Pattullo Left for Victoria on the Prince Rupert This Morning After Doing Good Business.

Ex-Alderman T. D. Pattullo was on eof the passengers who left for the south on the Prince Rupert this morning. "Duff," who is known as one of Prince Rupert's best boosters, has a thriving business in Victoria that is calling him, but his heart and his best hopes are all for Rupert.

He came north with a big wad of Victoria money—rumors say that it was in the neighborhood of \$100,000—to invest in Prince Rupert. He bought several of the best corners in Section 2 at the sale, and several since, in addition to picking up some nice properties in the other sections for his clients.

LEGISLATURE TO MEET ON JAN. 11

Early Holding of Session Is Taken to Presage an Early Winter Provincial Election.

(Special to Daily News.)
Victoria, Dec. 8.—The Provincial Legislature has been called to meet on January 11th.

The Legislature is being called much earlier than usual this year. This act is in conjunction with statements made by Premier McBride recently, and the general success of Provincial elections lately for the Conservative party is taken to indicate that the Government will announce a railroad policy and at once go to the electors.

Best room in town at Savoy.

M'NAMARA MADE FOOLISH BOAST

Said That He Could Not Be Convicted—This Caused McManigal to Turn Against Him.

(Canadian Press Despatch.)
Los Angeles, Dec. 8.—"I've got hundreds of thousands of dollars and the American Federation of Labor back of me. It took only \$30,000 to clear Vincent Altman at Chicago, and if they could not convict him they cannot convict me."

This boast, attributed today by James McNamara on the train from Detroit to Chicago while under arrest on the night of April 12th, caused Ortie E. McManigal, then also under arrest, to become angered with McNamara for his indiscreet statement and led McManigal to break from his companion, said Detective Malcolm McLaren in his evidence given today before the Grand Jury.

CITY MAKES A BAD ERROR

Discovered That All the Local Improvement Assessment Advertising Will Have to Be Done Over Again—and Paid For.

The discovery of an error in the method of calculating the local improvement assessment schedules that are being advertised in the Journal necessitates the redating and readdressing of the schedules and the postponement of the Court of Revision until January 4th. The error was made at the City Hall, so the re-addressing will have to be paid for. The original contract ran to over \$1,000. The Journal is to be congratulated.

Expert Is Here.
Mr. James Matthews, the newly appointed electrical engineer to take charge of the erection of the light plant, arrived this week and is now engaged actively in the preliminaries of his duties.

Had a Good Trip.
Mr. Solomon Mussallem returned to the city yesterday after a most successful business trip through the railroad camps. Mr. Mussallem is contemplating opening a jewelry business downtown.

Will Wed in South
O. Reitel was a passenger to Vancouver by the Prince Rupert this morning. Mr. Reitel is to become a benedict this trip, his bride being Miss Schott, formerly of the Prince Rupert General Hospital nursing staff.

BLOWN TO PIECES

Pacific City Rancher Fell While Carrying Dynamite

(Canadian Press Despatch.)
Seattle, Dec. 8.—Hy. Thompson a rancher living at Pacific City, stumbled and fell while carrying fifteen sticks of dynamite and was blown to pieces today.

THOMAS CORSAN DEAD

Well-Known Old-Timer of Queen Charlottes Died at Victoria.

(Canadian Press Despatch.)
Victoria, Dec. 7.—Thomas Corsan, a well-known old-timer and holder of valuable properties on the Queen Charlotte islands, is dead, following an operation for appendicitis.

WILL REVISE FISH LAWS

Hon. J. D. Hazen Made Statement Before the House Adjourned Last Night.

(Canadian Press Despatch.)
Ottawa, Dec. 8.—Before the House adjourned last night for five weeks, a statement was made by Hon. J. D. Hazen that the fishery laws of the B.C. coast had been badly administered, and as soon as possible the protective service will be re-organized.

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