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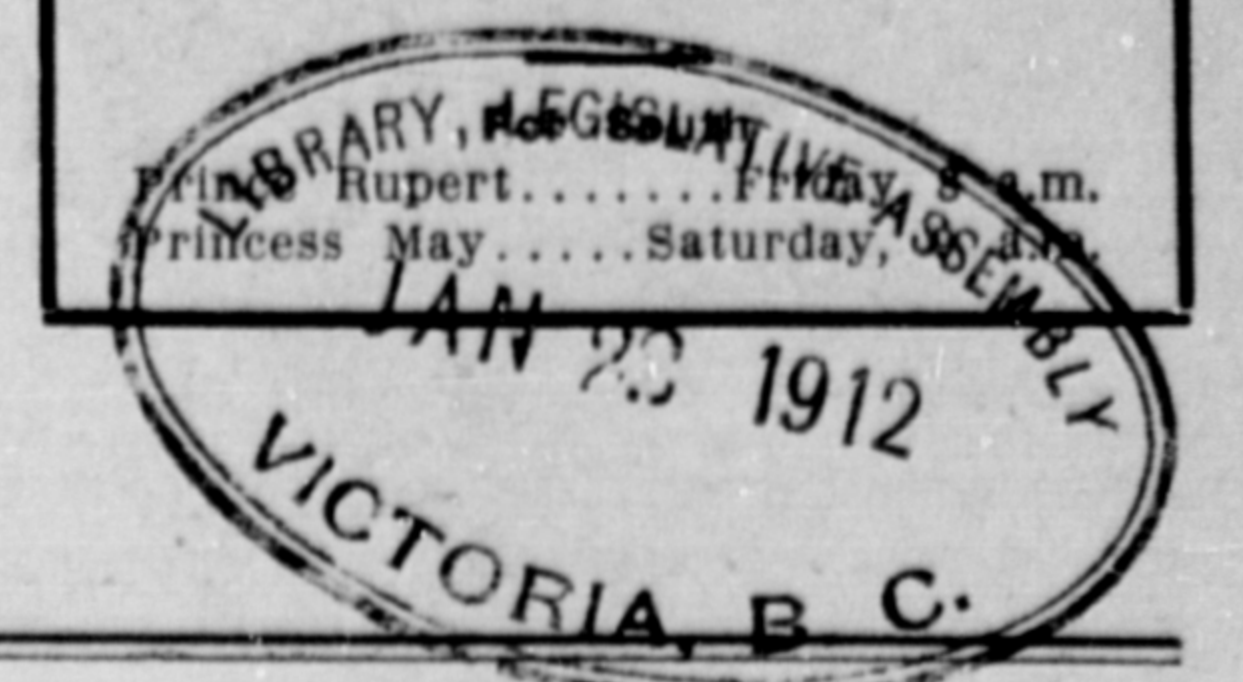
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HIS MAJESTY WILL PROBABABLY COME TO RUPERT

KAIAEN ISLAND'S CHARMS ARE AN ASSET OF OUR CITY

WM. MANSON, M. P., HAS PROMISED TO USE HIS INFLUENCE AT VICTORIA TO GET ROADS MADE AROUND THE ISLAND AND UP TO MOUNT OLDFIELD.

With characteristic non-comittal precautions Mr. Manson, M.P., for the riding has replied to the committee of the Progressive Conservative Association of Prince Rupert in regard to their request that he bring his influence to bear towards securing from the Provincial Government certain improvements to Kaien Island, in its relation to Prince Rupert as a natural pleasure ground for the community. Mr. Manson according to a report presented at the Progressive meeting last night by Mr. A. J. Audhomme, "regards favorably" the scheme for having a road made right around Kaien Island, and a good trail cut to the summit of Mt. Oldfield, behind the house.

Mr. Manson has promised that his influence shall be used towards the securing of these advantages for Prince Rupert. Regarding the sale of the government owned lots in Prince Rupert, Mr. Manson's view is also favorable. He will on behalf of the Progressive Conservatives, as well as on behalf of the City Council, represent the position of the community in this regard to powers that be at Victoria. Beyond that there is no more to be said. The report was received with satisfaction last night.

For row boats and launches telephone 320 green. Davis boat house.

READY MADE FARMS FOR B. C.

English Settlers Will Be Assisted Similar to Alberta Plan.

(Special to Daily News.) Victoria, Jan. 18.—Mr. D. G. Dennis of the C. P. R. land department has announced the intention of his company to prepare ready-made farms in British Columbia, similar to the Alberta plan. This year a number will be prepared for English settlers in the Columbia River valley, near South Golden. A half million dollars have been set aside for this purpose to be used this year.

Nearly Finished.

Rapid progress has been made with the erection of the Registry office destroyed by fire. The new temporary building is almost ready for occupancy.

FRANK MOBLEY PRAISES WOMEN OF THE NORTH

WITH HIS WIFE'S SPLENDID RECORD AS COMRADE OF THE TRAIL BESIDE HIM, HE PAYS HIGH TRIBUTE TO THE FAIR SEX AS PIONEERS.

Throughout his lecture last night Mr. Frank Mobley made reference of the highest possible compliment to Mrs. Mobley as companion of his adventures, as a shot and pioneer of splendid endurance kept cropping up. Mrs. Mobley was not present, but many at night felt that they would have liked much to see and identify her beside her husband in the light of the magnificent accounts her character as his comrade of the wild.

"The women of the north," said Mr. Mobley, summing up at the end of his lecture, "by their straightforward fearlessness, uncomplaining endurance, strength of character, tenderness, goodness and helpfulness have earned the very highest respect of the men whom they accompanied in these outlying parts." His stories of Mrs. Mobley well bore out his statement.

For a good hunter to admit that his wife killed three moose

LONDON JOURNALS PROTEST

Attempt of Unionists to Prevent Meeting Protested Against.

(Special to Daily News.) London, Jan. 18.—The action of the Ulster Unionists in declaring their intention to prevent the Home Rule meeting in Belfast on February 8th, when Winston Churchill and John Redmond will debate, has been adversely commented upon by the papers here, including many Conservative journals. Several of these latter condemn the attempt thus to stifle free speech as calculated to do the loyalist cause more harm than it can do good.

Belfast, Jan. 18.—The arrangements made by the Unionists to freeze out Winston Churchill, First Lord Admiralty, at his intended demonstration in favor of Home Rule, which takes place here February 8th, include the bivouacing of five thousand stalwarts inside Ulster Hall some days in advance of the meeting. They will have orders to hold the hall against all comers. It is anticipated that 75,000 men would be available for picket duty in order to block all approaches to Ulster Hall, or any other possible meeting place.

For Sale. Five draft horses, from 1,400 to 1,600 pounds, cheap. At Prince Rupert Dairy. 6t.

OLD AGE PENSIONS

Subject Introduced in House by Eurnham—Investigation Asked.

(Special to Daily News.) Ottawa, Jan. 18.—The subject of old age pensions was debated here in the House today. Burnham of East Peterboro introduced the subject and asked for a committee to investigate.

DUKE GOES TO NEW YORK

Instead of Going to Washington Will Visit Metropolis Only.

(Special to Daily News.) Ottawa, Jan. 18.—The Duke of Connaught will make a visit to New York next week, but will not go to Washington to see Taft as at first reported.

Warm, clean rooms at Savoy.

B. C.'S PROVINCIAL LAND POLICY

Prince Rupert Progressive Conservatives Criticise the Present Government Administration

UNITED STEP TO BETTER SYSTEM

Conditions Retarding Queen Charlotte Islands and Other Districts Mentioned by Various Speakers—Progressives' Executive to Outline Proposed New Policy

Comment and criticism of the Provincial Government's land policy proved the principal matter for consideration by the Prince Rupert Progressive Conservative Association last night. An address by C. M. Wilson, representing the Progressive Conservative Association of Massett, furnished food for discussion regarding the application of the present Government's land policy on the Queen Charlotte Islands. "Over there," said Mr. Wilson, "sums are drawn from land by the Government to the extent of \$200,000, and \$280,000 paid into the treasury for land, \$160,000 for timber limits and \$150,000 for coal claims. In return for these sums only \$35,000 has been expended on the Islands for development by the Government."

Criticism of Mr. Manson's representation to the Islands as Member for the district was made

strongly. In fact, there had even been talk of a hostile demonstration against Mr. Manson on his last visit. During his representation of them the Island community had received nothing at all in return for their support at the polls, which had gone entirely to him at last election. Unless there was a change things would look different next election. Many of the settlers on the Queen Charlotte group had had experience of Australian land administration, and contrasted it strongly with the British Columbia system, adversely for British Columbia. Mr. Wilson favored a provision of the land policy which will give the settlers a chance to come in and make good. He instanced cases of at least twenty-five settlers who had come to the Islands, spent upward of \$1,000 each on land claims and left in disgust because they found it impossible to secure records.

Strong support was accorded

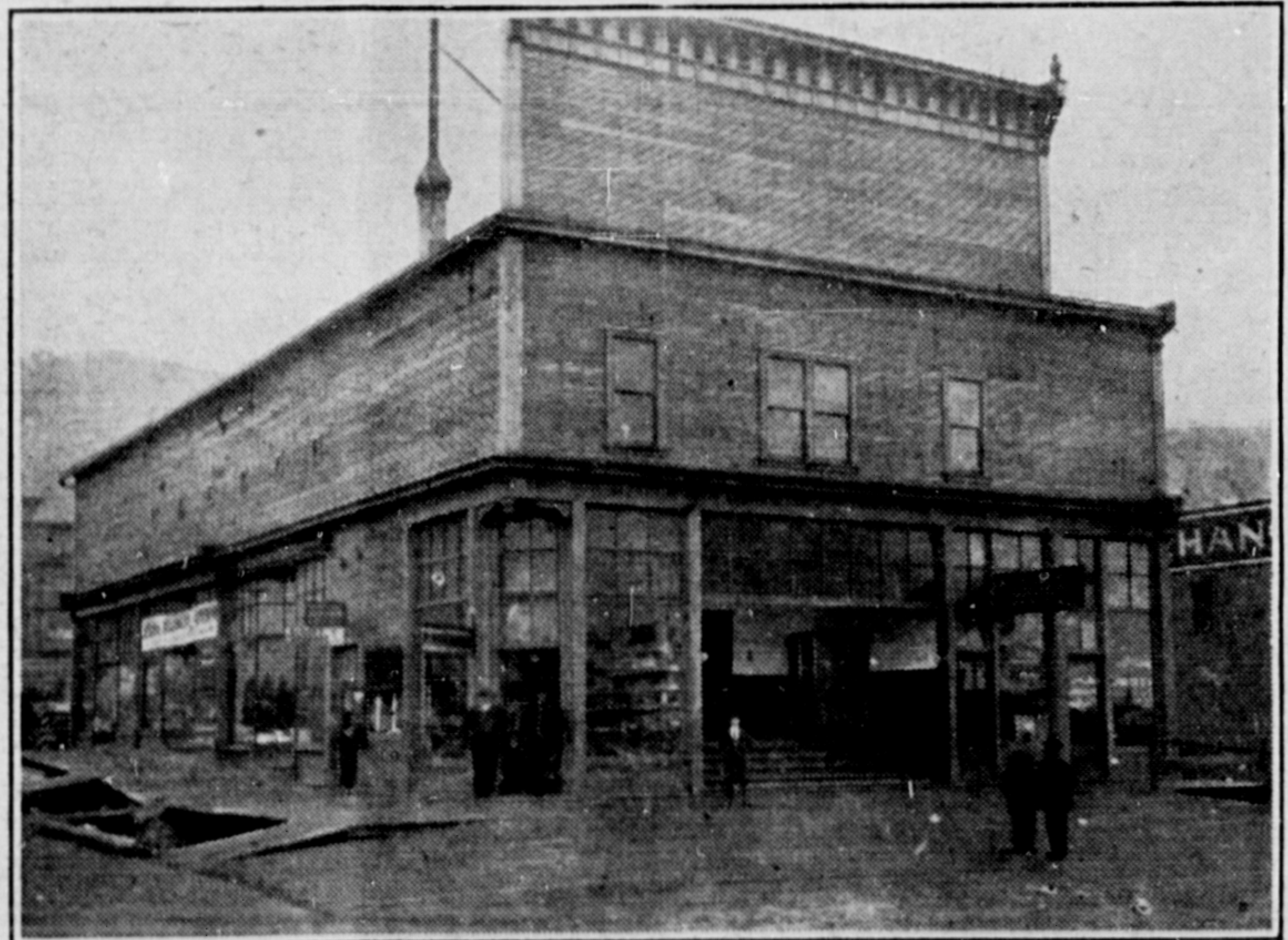
the views of Mr. Wilson by other speakers, including the chairman of the meeting, H. H. Clark; Dr. Clayton, F. M. Lannic, F. Shaw and others. It was pointed out that the land policy was, after all, the principal point of divergence between the Liberal and the Conservative parties in B. C. and the Dominion. If the Progressive Conservative Association could bring about a spirit of union between the parties toward securing a better land administration it would be for their common good, and the good of the province. Mutual co-operation for the enactment of progressive legislation on the land issues was the keynote of the meeting. The executive of the Progressives will get busy on the drafting of an outline land policy such as in the view of the majority will be much more desirable than the present one.

Best meal in town at Savoy.

BUSY SIXTH STREET BOMBARDED BY ROCK

Shot Fired on Lane Grading a Whole Block Away, Shatters Plate Glass Wholesale, Wrecks Offices and Stores, Inflicts Injury and Endangers Life

EMPRESS THEATRE BLOCK.



Showing the corner cigar store, where C. H. Keithly was hurt by today's blast.

KING GEORGE COMING TO PRINCE RUPERT

Probably in the Year 1914 When the National Transcontinental Railway Will be Complete and Ready for Opening—May Travel Direct by Rail

Ottawa, Jan. 18.—There is reason to believe that His Majesty the King may visit Canada in the summer of 1914 to formally open for traffic the National Transcontinental Railway between Halifax and Prince Rupert.

Officials of the Grand Trunk declare there is no foundation for the rumor that the G. T. P. may repudiate its contract with the Government respecting the lease of the road between Moncton and Winnipeg. They say, on the contrary, that the Grand Trunk Pacific will be ready to operate the entire transcontinental line as soon as completed, and the opening ceremonies are already being planned upon a scale of unusual magnificence.

It is well known that His Majesty intends to visit the Dominion in the near future, and it is hoped that his visit may be so timed as to enable him to cross the continent upon the first through train from Halifax to Prince Rupert.

section of the N. T. R. is already completed, the Grand Trunk Pacific is operating that part of the line between Winnipeg and Superior Junction, thus enabling trains to be run between Fort William and Winnipeg. A number of the contractors are also giving a train service on other parts of the line between Quebec and Superior Junction.

It may be possible that the

G. T. P. will build a cutoff across the state of Maine, which will reduce its mileage between Levis and Moncton for passenger and fast freight trains by from 75 to 100 miles. The royal train, of course, will follow the all-Canadian route.

Ready by July of 1914.

The western section of the road, which is being built by the G. T. P. Railway, is completed to a considerable distance west from Edmonton and east from Prince Rupert. The gap still to be bridged is mainly mountain work and necessarily tedious, but there is every reason to believe that the line between Winnipeg and Prince Rupert will be completed by July 1, 1914.

The remainder of the road from Winnipeg to Moncton will be finished, with the exception of the Quebec bridge, before this time, and a car ferry service between Levis and Quebec will permit the running of trains from ocean to ocean, the I. C. R. being used from Halifax to Moncton.

WHEN FRANK MOBLEY WAS WRECKED OFF WRANGELL

THRILLING STORY OF A DESPERATE EXPERIENCE BY SEA IS INCLUDED IN MR. MOBLEY'S LECTURE, "MUSHING IT," GIVEN IN PRESBYTERIAN HALL LAST NIGHT.

To stand up quietly before his large audience and in the simple manner of everyday speech tell them how his life had been in peril such as few even in the Great West have survived was the role assumed by Frank Mobley in the Presbyterian Church Hall last night. Mr. Mobley's address, "Mushing It," attracted crowds. In it he touched on his experiences in the gold rush to the Klondike, and of great hunting experiences thereafter in the Atlin district.

Mr. Mobley's hunting experiences are mostly wrapped up with his stories of Mrs. Mobley, but one terrible adventure in a boat built by himself Mrs. Mobley did not share. Had she done so her chances of being alive today were few. With a companion Mr. Mobley set out from Wrangell in his new boat, which at first behaved well, but later began to meet bad weather and the heavy seas stove in her side, flung her on her beam ends and rendered her sails and gear useless so that she was driven steadily out onto the broad Pacific.

For long they drifted and, frozen to the marrow, Mr. Mobley's companion beseeched him many times to let go that they might end it together. "But," said Mr. Mobley, "somehow I couldn't see it." He encouraged his comrade to cling on still, and at last by a sheer miracle the boat brought up against the only

rock between it and Japan. "I thought that the nicest rock I had ever seen," remarked Mr. Mobley. Gaining it with difficulty the pair remained there in the cold for a couple of days. Not a bite had they to eat but a rotten crab which Mr. Mobley found. "I looked at that crab many a time," he said with a queer expression, "but nothing doing!" Meanwhile his comrade got pretty sick, almost all in, in fact. He could do nothing but lie still and groan.

Disappointed by the passing of a steamer without sign of help for them, the men had all but given it up when Mr. Mobley saw a sail. It approached to within half a mile. He yelled all he could and waved frantically. It passed, sailing on a mile distant. Bitterly disappointed, still Frank Mobley shouted and waved despairingly. By good chance the steersman of the craft, who had never noticed the figure on the rock before, looked back and, turning, landed at the rock.

"What do you want?" the boatman asked Mr. Mobley.

"If there is anything in the world that I don't want," was the characteristic reply, "I wish you'd tell me about it."

The incident ended with the successful rescue of both Mr. Mobley and his companion, who were taken back to Wrangell, but it was weeks before Mr. Mobley's companion recovered from the effects of his exposure.

WILLIAMS CONTINUES DEBATE

Policy of Government Attacked—Spoke for Over an Hour.

Victoria, Jan. 18.—Parker Williams continued the debate in the House yesterday. He spoke for an hour and twenty minutes and sarcastically criticised the Government policy.

RACING ASSOCIATIONS

Will Be Obligated to Incorporate—Curial Gambling at Meets

Ottawa, Jan. 18.—An amendment to the Criminal Code will be introduced by the Minister of Justice compelling racing associations to incorporate by an act of Federal Parliament as well as by the Provincial Legislature. The object is to lessen gambling at race meets.

EXPLOSION IN CINCINNATI

Police Report That Thirty Persons Are in Wreckage.

(Special to Daily News.) Cincinnati, Jan. 18.—An explosion of gas wrecked and set fire to a tenement on McLean avenue here tonight. Of seven families in the house only two are accounted for. The police report that thirty persons are in the wreckage.

For Rupert's Harbor.

Amongst the aids to navigation needed for Prince Rupert harbor and promised by the Marine department in the near future is a bell buoy for Charles Point on Digby Island. This buoy is being brought here now on the Quadra and will be put in place shortly.

PURITAN SUPPER PLEASES PRINCE RUPERT PEOPLE

NOVEL ENTERTAINMENT GIVEN BY LADIES OF THE BAPTIST CHURCH IN M'INTYRE HALL LAST NIGHT DELIGHTED HUNDREDS OF WELL-KNOWN CITIZENS.

In McIntyre Hall last night one of the most novel and successful entertainments ever organized under church auspices in Prince Rupert took place. The occasion was the holding of an old-time Puritan supper by the ladies of the Baptist Church. On long tables delicately decorated and lighted with hundreds of wax candles the supper was spread. Beside the board, on each side, there sat rows of well-known people of Prince Rupert, and the candle glow gave the McIntyre Hall quite an unwonted appearance. Flitting to and fro around the tables, daintily attired and becoming, modest Puritan maids waited on the guests. Each Puritan maid was a veritable Priscilla and the whole scene revived charmingly the mind picture of scenes in the old colony days in Plymouth, the land of the pilgrims.

That the fare provided—the beans, the bacon, the beets, the brown and white bread, the Johnny cake, the cookies, the pickles,

the pumpkin and the apple pies, just as in the Puritan days—delighted the patrons of the board goes without saying. Relay after relay of citizens came and went during the two hours the spread was offered. Probably the attractions of the Puritan maidens had something to do with the popularity of the feast amongst Prince Rupert's young men, who thronged the tables, though there were present as guests many of Prince Rupert's prettiest girls. Following are the ladies who took part in this success as Puritan maids. Mrs. E. A. Woods, Mrs. F. Derry, Mrs. and Miss Alder, Mrs. Swindell, Mrs. W. T. Robinson, Mrs. Laux, Mrs. J. Hampton, Mrs. J. R. Morgan, Mrs. Muse, Miss Wark, Miss Brame and Miss Halton. To these ladies with other kind helpers of the Baptist Church the success of the novel entertainment is due.

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