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**RELIEF CAME,
BUT TOO LATE****Ed. Erlich, a Lonely Prospector
at Canyon Creek on Taku River,
Died Before Expedition Reached
Him from Telegraph Creek.**

The relief party sent on December 30th by the Government Agent at Telegraph Creek, B. C., to rescue Ed. Erlich, a 60-year-old Bohemian, who was reported as dying from scurvy in his cabin on Canyon Creek, a tributary of the Taku River, returned last Saturday and reported finding Erlich dead. The old man was in bed with his hand clasping his diary. The last entry, dated December 26th, said that he had spent a very bad night and was very weak; that he hoped help or death would come soon. Erlich's dog was still alive, but unable to stand, and the rescuers shot the poor beast. Erlich was buried on his mining claim.

Erlich and Gus Meyers went from Douglas, Alaska, last June to prospect along the Taku. They located claims on opposite sides of the river, being only a few miles apart, but unable to cross the river. After ice formed in December Meyers visited his neighbor and found him suffering from scurvy and scarcely able to move. After gathering some firewood, Meyers departed for Nahlin, B. C., about fifty miles distant, and telephoned to Telegraph Creek, and the rescue party set out immediately, traveling 150 miles in four days.

PUBLIC GUARANTEE.

That most beautiful picture entitled "Home Again," has brought such an enormous amount of new subscriptions to the Family Herald and Weekly Star that the publishers are finding it impossible to keep up with the filling of orders, but in the columns of that paper this week we notice a positive guarantee from the publishers that every subscriber to that great weekly for 1912 will receive a copy of the picture, "Home Again." Their guarantee is sufficient and subscribers need not feel anxious although the picture may be delayed a few weeks. Those who have not yet subscribed to the Family Herald and Weekly Star should do so at once and make sure of having a copy of the picture, "Home Again." We learn that the publishers are contemplating something for next season that will make this picture even more valuable than at present. One dollar pays for a full year's subscription to the paper, and the picture. It

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Notice is hereby given that an application will be made to the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia at its next session for an act amending Section 3 of the British Columbia & Alaska Railway Act, 1910 (Ch. 56, Statutes of British Columbia, 1910), by striking out all the words after the word "Columbia" in Line 10 of said Section and substituting therefor the following:

"And from Fort George in a north-easterly direction to the valley of the Parsnip River by way of Fort McLeod, thence along the Parsnip River to a junction with the Peace River, thence along the valley of the Finlay River through Sifton Pass thence down the Stikine River to a junction with the main line at Telegraph Creek; also powers to build branch lines either through the Peace River or Peace River passes to the eastern boundary of British Columbia, or by way of the most feasible route, or in the alternative by the most feasible route between Lytton and Teslin Lake, also to build from a point on said line of railway to the City of Vancouver or from the City of Vancouver to a point on said line, by the most feasible route."

And further, for an act extending the time within which the company has to commence construction and expend ten per cent of its capitalization.

Dated at Victoria, B. C., this 5th day of December, 1911.

ROBERTSON & HEISTERMAN,
Solicitors for the Applicants, the British
Columbia & Alaska Railway Company.

LAND PURCHASE NOTICE

Prince Rupert Land District—District of Coast.

Take notice that I, Lemuel Freer, of Vancouver, B. C., occupation broker, intend to apply for permission to purchase the following described lands:

Commencing at a post planted on the shore in a northerly direction from Port Nelson Cannery, marked L. F.'s S.E. corner, thence 20 chains north, thence 20 chains west, thence 20 chains south to shore line, thence east along the shore to point of commencement, containing 40 acres, more or less.

LEMUEL FREER.

Dated Dec. 7, 1911.

Pub. Jan. 5, 1912.

Skeena Land District—District of Coast Range.

Take notice that I, CAROLINE JOHNSON, of Vancouver, B. C., occupation married woman, intend to apply for permission to purchase the following described lands:

Commencing at a post planted at the southwest corner of Lot 3065, thence south 80 chains, thence east 80 chains, thence north 40 chains to the southeast corner of Lot 3062, thence west 40 chains along south line of Lot 3062, thence north 20 chains along west line of Lot 3062, thence west 40 chains along south line of Lot 3065 to point of commencement, containing 560 acres, more or less.

CAROLINE JOHNSON.

R. Carr, Agent.

Dated Dec. 23, 1911.

Pub. Jan. 18, 1912.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF BRITISH COLUMBIA.

IN THE MATTER OF THE ADMINISTRATION ACT, and

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF LUDGER ROY, DECEASED, INTERSTATE.

TAKE NOTICE that by an Order of His Honor, Judge Young, made the 3rd day of November, 1911, I was appointed Administrator of the estate of Ludger Roy, deceased, intestate, and all parties having claims against the said estate are hereby required to forward the same to me at Prince Rupert, B. C., properly verified, on or before the 15th day of March, 1912; and all parties indebted to the said estate are required to pay the amount of their indebtedness to me forthwith.

Dated this 5th day of January, A. D. 1912.

THOMAS A. ROY, Administrator.
Feb. 3. Prince Rupert, B. C.

**RUPERT AND INTERIOR TO
FT. GEORGE PUBLICITY CLUB**

Citizens: The other night a public meeting was called by Mr. Phillips to arouse interest in publicity for Rupert. Only 20 turned up. Let me tell you it is very serious after this man has worked hard—so also have myself. I have exchanged ideas with 57 boards of trade, for what end?

Do you know that three projected and partly surveyed roads, the C. P. R., the C. N. R., and the G. T. P., will tap Fort George and the interior country from Vancouver? Prince Rupert will be left. So I am about to inaugurate the "Rupert and the Interior to Fort George Publicity Club" with local agents at all interior points to induce outside interest in the development of the wonderful resources in our midst that Rupert must tap and not Vancouver.

1. Would like sufficient funds to open a bureau of information to give people the glad hand on entering our city, whether they be seeking work, financial speculation, industrial sites, and we have the cheap power and enormous territory back of us to warrant any industry.

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Mining Engineer's Overland Journey to Edmonton, Hundreds of Miles Over Ice and Snow, Sometimes 68 Below Zero.

(Canadian Press Despatch.)
Edmonton, Jan. 24.—Walking hundreds of miles over ice and snow with two dogs as his only companions and the mercury at times 68 below, was the trying experience of E. S. Dowling, mining engineer, who has just returned to Edmonton from the Arctic region.

While he is far from being a physical wreck, Dowling declared that he had had enough of such experience to last him the remainder of his life. Leaving here on May 26, 1911, Dowling went to Herschell Island and spent much of his time looking over the country 275 miles northeast of the mouth of the Mackenzie River. He found evidences of mineral wealth in that section. Had he gone 500 miles farther north he would have struck the North Pole.

Dowling left there early in the fall before the real cold weather arrived. After spending a few days at Fort McPherson he proceeded south 1,200 miles to Fort Smith, riding in a canoe most of the distance in the Mackenzie River, Great Slave Lake and Slave River.

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10. Send in your stories, photos, talking pointers, samples, etc. Have several already and I will even send a photographer anywhere.

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The greatest hardship suffered by Dowling was when he reached Jack Fish Lake, 300 miles north of Edmonton. A blinding snowstorm forced him to strike camp early one evening, just before Christmas. He awoke about 2 o'clock the following morning with a foot of snow on the bed covers. He had only six days' rations and the dogs were exhausted. Under this heavy handicap he was forced to retrace his footsteps. To use his own expression, Mr. Dowling was nearly "all in" when an Indian woman rescued him. He remained there a few days, then resumed his journey, but in the meantime he had frozen his nose and other portions of his face, adding very materially to his sufferings endured in the frozen north.

Save for the companionship of his faithful dogs, Dowling came alone for a distance of 750 miles from Fort Smith to Edmonton. Dowling says certain vegetables can be raised on the delta of the Mackenzie River, 3,400 miles north of here and for six weeks in the summer hay grows there in abundance.

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