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PRICE FIVE CENTS

RAILWAY TAXATION DISCUSSED IN LEGISLATURE

MAY RAISE THE GLEN ROSA SOME TIME THIS AFTERNOON

DIVER EVANSON SUCCEEDED THIS MORNING IN PLACING SLINGS AROUND THE HULL AT STERN AND BOW— FURTHER SEARCH REVEALED NO TRACE OF BODIES.

Diver Evanson today descended on the wrecked Glen Rosa and succeeded after over an hour's hard work in fixing slings about the hull at bow and stern, which will enable the wreck to be hoisted by the winch and derrick of Captain Babington's big scow. The diver had to make a second trip in order to bridle the slings together and make fast the hauling wires. It was thought this afternoon that wreck might possibly be brought to the surface at high tide this afternoon as the diver's second trip were successful. The wreck is lying right over

SONS OF ENGLAND SOCIAL

Pleasant Evening Spent in the S. O. E. Hall Last Night.

A merry evening of song, dance and recreation was held in the S. O. E. Hall last night by the members of the Sons of England society and friends. There were upward of forty present and the evening went off splendidly. President F. A. Ellis presided, and a capital program of songs interspersed the dancing. Messrs. Clapperton, J. Russell, H. Fletcher and R. A. Ellis contributed to the program, also J. G. Weston with his famous imitations of farm yard sounds. Refreshments were liberally served, and with "God Save the King" the gathering dispersed at midnight.

MONTREAL RAILWAY WINS

Privy Council Decides That Commission Has No Control.

(Canadian Press Despatch.)
Montreal, Jan. 27.—The case lost by the city to the street railway, according to the decision of the Privy Council, is far-reaching in its effects, and of great importance to both sides.

A year ago the Railway Commission ordered that the street railway should reduce the fares in its Mount Royal Ward service to afford people in that district transportation at the same rate as the residents of Notre Dame de Grace.

The street railway company denied the Railway Commission's right to such an order and claimed that they could only be controlled by the Provincial Government.

Board of Trade.

A meeting of the Board of Trade will be held on Monday to appoint office bearers for the year.

MONTENEGRIN PLAY TONIGHT

Interesting Performance in the Empress Theatre This Evening.

Tonight the local Servian Society members put on in the Empress Theatre their great national drama, entitled "The Tragedy of the Balkan Empress." The show promises to be interesting to citizens generally, and has the distinction of being the very first of its kind in Prince Rupert.

Stalker & Wells for stamped eggs, 60c a dozen. If

For rent—Two rooms over Wallace's. Suitable for offices or apartments. Apply H. S. Wallace.

COAL DRILLS LANDED

S.S. Prince John in from Massett—Captain Reports Progress.

A set of coal drilling machinery was landed at Naden Harbor by the Prince John on her last trip to the islands. The plant belongs to a new outfit prospecting. Foggy weather on the straits and at Massett was reported by Captain Wearmouth.

Assistant Fire Chief Killed.

Walla Walla, Jan. 27.—Fire this afternoon resulted in the death of Assistant Chief Wolfe, and severe injuries to another fireman. The property loss is estimated at \$200,000.

GOVERNMENT CONTRACT

Westholme Company Has Ordered Material for Warehouses on New Wharf.

The Provincial Minister of Works has awarded the contract for the completion of the warehouses on the government wharf at Prince Rupert to the Westholme Lumber Company. Mr. M. Albert, manager of the company, states that the lumber to be used in the construction, aggregating 300,000 feet, has been ordered and will arrive soon.

Shruballs' Special.

Navel oranges, 25 cents per dozen.

FIFTY MILLIONS

Large Estimate for Western Railways this Year.

(Special to Daily News.)
Montreal, Jan. 27.—According to the present plans the Canadian Pacific Railway, the Grand Trunk Pacific and the Canadian Northern Railways will spend fifty million dollars in western Canada this year.

THE WEATHER.

Twenty-four hours ending 5 a. m., January 27: Bar., 29.635; max. temp., 46.0; min. temp., 28.0.

HOSPITAL ANNUAL MEETING MOST INTERESTING OCCASION

ASSOCIATION ELECTED OLD MEMBERS OF BOARD AND PAID THEM MANY COMPLIMENTS ON THE SPLENDID CONDITION OF THE INSTITUTION, FINANCIALLY AND OTHERWISE.

The annual meeting of the General Hospital Association, held in the Police Court last night, although the attendance was small in numbers, made up for this shortcoming by a display of zeal and interest in the good cause. Everybody present was pleased at the satisfactory condition of the institution shown by the official reports, and the meeting developed itself into a mutual admiration society of the directors and officials, the formal proceedings being interspersed with well earned compliments to its energetic president, the several committees and the individuals composing them, the hard worked

secretary and matron and the staff as a whole. One of the interesting features of the meeting was the election of the members of the directorate, the president explaining that by the new rules the board should consist of nine members, five to be elected by the association, two appointed by the city and two appointed by the Provincial Government. Those members present entitled to vote were D. G. Stewart, P. I. Plamer, George W. Naden, J. E. Merryfield, Rev. F. W. Kerr, H. F. McRae, J. H. Thompson, Dr. Reddie, J. G.

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RATIFICATION BILL IS DISCUSSED

Premier McBride Moves Its Second Reading and Speaks in Glowing Terms of Rupert's Development

MANSON PRESSES PASSAGE OF MEASURE

Williams Criticizes the Bill Under Impression That Railway Company is Granted Too Low a Rate of Taxation and Insinuates That Company Held Up City With Gun

Victoria, Jan. 27.—In the Legislature yesterday the second reading of the act to ratify the agreement between the Provincial Government, the City of Prince Rupert, the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway and the Grand Trunk Pacific Development Co. came up.

Premier McBride moved the second reading, stating that it had been finally agreed the railway company should pay to the city \$15,000 a year taxation on its lands, and in return for this concession the company must immediately start the construction of its terminal, shops, warehouses and so forth. Furthermore, the company agreed to grant to the city a waterfront lot which could be used for the disposal of garbage. The city would also get

land left out from the streets and blocks in the townsite survey, and these could be utilized for municipal buildings and warehouses.

In the course of his speech the Premier drew a glowing picture of what had already been accomplished in the city of Prince Rupert, and in view of the coming development, he considered that it fully justified the bargain made by the Government with the railway a few years ago. The Government already owned there townsite property valued at \$13,000,000 which years ago was not worth 13 cents.

Mr. Manson, of Skeena, said there was a strong desire on the part of the people of Prince Rupert that the bill should pass, in order that the city might go on

with city development, for which it had already assumed obligations in the neighborhood of \$1,300,000. At the same time they had a total assessment of \$14,000,000, and stood in splendid credit on the money markets of the world.

Mr. Williams criticized the bill as giving the railway company altogether too low a taxation, since, if the Government properly made by the Government with the railway a few years ago. The railway company's property would be worth \$39,000,000. It was remarkable that the people of Prince Rupert had passed it, but if any one put a gun in your face and told you to hold up your hands you were likely to yield.

The bill passed the second reading without division.

GOLD STAMPEDE SIMILAR TO THE KLONDIKE

May Prove a Huge Swindle---Thousands Gone in Now Without Food or Shelter---Eight Thousand Claims Staked

(Special to Daily News.)
Winnipeg, Jan. 27.—Reports last night from Minitonas, Manitoba, where gold was discovered a few weeks ago, are that the conditions are terrible there; no food and no accommodations. Minitonas is a little village 250 miles northeast of Winnipeg. Much suffering has resulted

from the hundreds rushing in unprepared for cold weather and local conditions. The trains last night resembled the days of the Klondyke rush. Old miners are going by in the score, with tents and blankets.

Minitonas, Jan. 27.—A meeting of prospectors held here last

night was addressed by several Yukon and California mining engineers, who declare that after a careful investigation they find that the alleged gold discovery, from all appearances, is a huge swindle. There is practically no indication of gold after investigation, yet there are 8,000 claims staked.



SHAWATLANS LAKE, FROM WHICH THE CITY WILL GET PART OF ITS WATER SUPPLY.

PIONEER CLUB ENTERTAINED

Thoroughly Enjoyable Function Last Night in the Cosy Rooms of the Real Old-Timer Club of Prince Rupert.

In their pleasant club rooms on Fourth avenue last night the president and members of the Pioneer Club of Prince Rupert met and entertained a party of their friends. In every way the evening proved a very distinct success, and the hospitality of the Pioneer Club proved more than ordinarily acceptable. President D. H. Hays, with Mrs. Hays, Major Gibson, Captain Forster, secretary, and the directors of the club did the honors, and unlimited care was taken to provide amply for the pleasure of the guests. Regret was expressed by the president and directorate that only a certain number of guests could be invited, as the club rooms, though of the cosiest and most invitingly furnished and arranged, are as yet only of average residential size, the residence built in pioneer days by J. H. Bacon being that occupied by the club.

With dancing, cards and billiards a delightful "at home" was spent, and the supper, served in the club dining room at midnight upheld the club's reputation amply. Music during the evening was much enjoyed, the club having retained the excellent services of Mr. A. M. Gottstein at the piano during the dancing, which was kept up merrily till after 12 a. m. With "God Save the King," sung with real pioneer vigor, the "At Home" came to an end, compliment of the very highest, being expressed all round to the Pioneer Club for a perfectly carried out entertainment.

Choicest liquors and cigars—Savoy.

BLIND PIG CASE

Nick Rocavich Up for Alleged Liquor Selling—Other Cases.

A magnificent array of "Scotch" in bottle greeted Magistrate Carss this morning over the charge of running a blind pig against Nick Rocavich, proprietor of the Three Star Hotel. The case is adjourned until Monday. Fred Blueberry and Hans Hans each paid \$5 and costs into the treasury for having too freely inhibited.

PROVINCIAL POLICE

Joe Samens Wounding Case Remanded Until Monday.

Joe Samens, charged with wounding several workmates at Kitsumkalum recently, appeared before Judge Young today, but his case is further remanded until Monday, pending the arrival of witnesses.

INDOOR BASEBALL AGAIN

Four Teams in the Field Forming the Latest League.

Revival of interest in indoor baseball now that civic matters and seasonable festivities are settled down to a steady stride, is keen. Four good teams compose the latest league formed to fight for the Manson cup, and on Monday, February 5th, the first game of the new series will be played at the Auditorium between the "Prince Rupert Pirates" and the "Crescents." On February 8th Ted Morrison's team, already nicknamed the "Teddy Bears," but perhaps to be otherwise titled, will face the "Quill Drivers." Interest is concentrating first on the players and prospects of the teams.

Baptist Services

"A True Vision of Life or Vision Makes the Man," will be the subject of Rev. Warren H. McLeod's sermon in the McIntyre Hall tomorrow evening at 7.30 o'clock. Other Baptist services will meet at the usual hour, McIntyre Hall, 3rd Avenue, near 6th Street.

FEELING IN BELFAST

Lord Londonderry Says Council Cannot Be Held Responsible.

(Special to Daily News.)
London, Jan. 27.—Lord Londonderry, replying to Mr. Winston Churchill re the proposed meeting at Belfast, informed him that the Ulster Unionist Council cannot be held responsible with reference to the visit of Mr. Churchill to Belfast, February 8, owing to the intense feeling created by that contemplated move.

Stalker & Wells for stamped eggs, 60c a dozen. If

WAS KNOWN IN RUPERT

Engineer of Ill-Fated Ramona Is Believed Dead.

Mystery surrounds the death of Allen W. Jackson, second assistant engineer of the steamship Santa Ana, of the Alaska Steamship Company, who disappeared from the steamship Northwestern last Saturday night while the vessel was bound from Prince Williams Sound ports for Seattle.

He was a passenger aboard the Northwestern from Seward and is believed to have leaped into the sea while the vessel was steaming for Seattle.

Jackson had been followed by ill fate throughout his seafaring career. He was first assistant engineer of the steamship Ramona, of the Pacific Coast Steamship Company, which was well known in Rupert and which was lost on a reef off Spanish Island on September 10 of last year and was aboard the steamer Perdita when she burned to the water's edge off Port Ludlow last October while bound from Port Townsend to Seattle.