

So The
People
May Know

Not satisfied with sending the manager of the People's Wharf on a tour around the country to collect proxies for the Manson convention, the Conservative candidate yesterday commandeered the lighthouse tender William Joliffe to carry him and party to Stewart and Portland Canal on a vote-grabbing excursion. Also, he commandeered the Fisheries Protection cruiser Falcon to carry his emissaries, Charles Halsey and M. M. Stephens, to Bella Coola. Both of these are Dominion Government boats, and the William Joliffe is urgently needed to search for the missing Leebro.

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FEARS THAT S.S. LEEBRO HAS MET WITH DISASTER

VESSEL CHARTERED AS TENDER FOR LANGARA LIGHTHOUSE
UNDER CONSTRUCTION IS NEARLY A WEEK OVERDUE—
HER LUMBER CARGO WASHED ASHORE ON GRAHAM.

Urgent enquiry is being made wireless and through coast guards to locate if possible the steamer Leebro, which arrived from the south laden with material for the lighthouse on Langara Island, and which is now five days overdue at the end.

grave fears for the vessel's safety have been awakened by the report sent in through the wireless by Captain Wearmouth of the G. T. P. steamer Prince John that he had found on the eastern shores of Graham Island quantities of lumber which seem to belong to the missing steamer's cargo.

Immediately on receipt of the wireless despatch asking for search for the Leebro, the government authorities here planned to send a steamer in search.

Both the Dominion government steamer Falcon, fisheries cruiser, and the William Joliffe, lighthouse tender, were in port yesterday, but the Joliffe has gone to Stewart with Mr. Manson on an electioneering trip and the Falcon has gone to Bella Coola with Mr. Halsey on a similar errand. Efforts were made to get into communication with the Joliffe by telegram. The Joliffe has no wireless equipment. She will have to go to Stewart first and afterward take up the search for the Leebro.

The Leebro is a steamer 123 feet in length and 28 feet beam, of gross tonnage 323 and registered tonnage 198. She was built in 1908 and sufficiently engined she should be able to weather even rough Straits weather under full cargo.

NO MORE TO BE ALLOWED FROM M'INNES CONTRACT HOLDBACK

APPLICATION OF ASSIGNEE FOR THIS CONTRACTOR IS NOT
ENTERTAINED BY COUNCIL—\$2,000 OF \$14,000 HOLD-
BACK HAS ALREADY BEEN ALLOWED.

For the Canada Explosives Co., acting as assignee the affairs of the McInnes-Kelly contract in completing the famous First Avenue cut, Mr. Reitel has asked that a further advance be made on the contract so as to pay the hands for the work done to date. There is a \$12,000 hold-back (\$2,000 having been paid), and the applicant seeks an advance from this before the completion of the contract. He also asks forth that the city can safely advance the sum required out of the hold-back owing to the reputation of the firm now carrying on the work for careful workmanship.

The City Solicitor went into the matter at some length and said very emphatically that he did not see why the city should go out of its way to finance this assignee out of the hold-back. Mr. Peters was aware of a bill for extras which was to crop up over this contract and arguing that the whole job would be completed in a few weeks and the claims duly settled. The City Solicitor added that it was the expressed wish of the contractor, Mr. McInnes, that no further grants be made out of this hold-back, as he believed himself entitled to a certain participation in the finances finally. A resolution of the council adopting the City Solicitor's views was passed.

EARLY CLOSING FOR THE SHOPS

Leading Tradesmen Petition
Council to Establish a Bylaw
Fixing Shop Hours at 8 A. M.
to 7 P. M. Except Saturdays.

Merchants of the city have petitioned the City Council to pass a bylaw enforcing early closing business premises in the city, hours being from 8 a. m. to 6 p. m. except on Saturdays or before holidays, when the hours would be 11 p. m. Alderman Morrissey feared this might work a hardship on the workingmen who had to work until 6 p. m. daily. Alderman Montgomery thought otherwise, and the matter was referred to the City Solicitor to draw up a bylaw.

NOMINATIONS OF LIBERALS

All the Provincial Seats in the
City of Vancouver to Be Well
Contested—Liberal Leader
Erewhiter for Victoria.

(Special to Daily News.)
Vancouver, March 12.—The Liberals decided to run five candidates for the provincial seats of this city, and the convention last night selected Messrs. Ralph Smith, Alderman Enright, Alderman Cameron, Maxwell Smith and J. N. Ellis. Ex-Mayor Taylor and ex-Alderman McManis were also put in nomination.

To Guard City Hall.
H. Ward has made application for the janitorship of the new city hall. This application is filed along with the others.

PRINCE RUPERT TWENTY MINUTES AGO

Manson supporters threaten to commandeer the railway in order to reach electors on the Skeena.
Alderman Montgomery is making application for the use of the Rainbow for electioneering purposes.
There are no more Progressives in the market. All sold out yesterday, lock stock and barrel.
"I Might State" Douglas is likely to prove a thorn in the hornbound side of the McBride candidate.
Prize Conundrum—If the Mayor were police magistrate, who would be a blind pig?
Capital has gobbled up the shrimp kingdom and its slim king.

Formerly The Prince Rupert Optimist

THE DAILY NEWS

PRINCE RUPERT, B.C., TUESDAY, MARCH 12, 1912.

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POLITICAL OUTRAGE

The lighthouse tender William Joliffe, seized by Manson and turned into a vote making machine, was en route to Queen Charlotte Islands engaged in her regular duties of looking after the wants and requirements of the light keepers. Their only means of communication to the outside world is by means of the light tenders. Their only source of supplies, their only aid when sick or in distress, is from these boats, which are maintained solely for that purpose. Who knows but some faithful light keeper is this moment patiently awaiting the arrival of the Joliffe, his life in jeopardy perhaps, and William Manson mercilessly seizes his only means of succor to serve the selfish political ends of the two-man government. It is a precedent unheard of. Mr. Manson and the two-man government must think the people are fools who can be outraged to their faces. McEride in opening his campaign at Kamloops said that the government has not taken advantage of its power. For nifty hypocrisy this exceeds anything we have heard of in a long time. What could be more hypocritical? Every job holder, every license holder and every appropriation by the government are used solely for bribing constituencies. Every department of the government from the humblest timber inspector to the Dominion government fisheries protection fleet and lighthouse tenders are turned into a giant vote making machine. Will the people stand for it?

YUKON COMMISSIONER WARMLY WELCOMED

George Black Tells Old Timers on the Dock of Many Excellent
Reforms in Store for Territory---All Classes of Mail Matter
All the Year Round---Wireless for Govt. Telegraph Line

Tall, athletic but with the slightest of curve in the shoulders denoting the student, George Black, the new commissioner of the Yukon, came down the gangway of the Princess May last night and shook hands with many friends. By his side stood the pretty Mrs. Black, a woman clad in rich furs with a bunch of fresh red roses on her breast, artistic to her finger tips and with no mean literary ability. During last summer she was specially engaged by the Canadian Pacific to make a collection of the flora along the line on this side of the Rockies and to lecture on the subject.

Mr. Black is the first Yukoner who has ever been appointed to the position he now occupies with the exception of the very brief incumbency of Mr. Congdon. Always there was sent in some stranger from a long distance who knew nothing of the district except what he might have read, and in the case of the last incumbent he was practically still a stranger when he left there last year. Mr. Black, who is a barrister and had a large practice in the early days, many times led a forlorn hope in the Yukon for the Conservative party, and at the hands of the Borden administration has received a just reward.

The new commissioner has just returned from Ottawa and has some good news to tell the people of Yukon when he reaches there. He said last night that Dr. Thompson (member for the district, whom he practically elected) had been able to persuade the government to put back the \$50,000 which had been cut out of the annual government appropriation, and this additional sum would enable the territory to be more liberal in the matter of education and in the building and

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OUR POPULAR FINANCE MINISTER.



Alderman Hamilton Douglas was the most prominent feature of the Conservative smoker Saturday evening. The candidate was forgotten the moment the popular alderman entered and amid the applause there were incessant cries of "Speech, speech." The alderman delivered an able and witty address. Since then there has developed a strong sentiment in his favor and a clamorous call for him to enter the campaign as an opponent of Dr. Clayton, and is now seems probable that the nominations on Thursday will read: William Barry Clayton, Hamilton Douglas, William Manson, William H. Montgomery.

RECREATION GROUNDS FOR ACROPOLIS HILL

Handsome Grant by the City Well in Sight---All Games to Have
Fair Show---Council Considers Tennis Club Grant Last Night

That the tennis club of Prince Rupert has really pioneered the way to a substantial grant of land on Acropolis Hill for a fine recreation park that will be a credit to the city was shown last night when the Council passed a motion that the tennis club should be asked to delay the handsome expenditure they propose laying out on their courts in the acre of land granted them until the City Engineer has brought in his plans showing the best acreage avail-

able for the recreation grounds scheme. The Council is anxious that the outlay of the tennis club should be expended on ground which will, as a portion of the larger grant for the recreation park, be more permanently at the disposal of the players. Alderman Clayton said he thoroughly favored the grant to the tennis club, but desired to see their courts part of a grant for open air recreation which will do Rupert credit when laid out fully.

That the tennis courts should be crowded up alongside the ball park and cinder track is not the plan at all. The City Engineer will have ready in a few weeks plans for alternative sites for the recreation park in which the need for reasonable seclusion of the tennis courts from the space devoted to the more arduous games will have fullest consideration. But the Council seemed anxious

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WORKMAN'S NARROW ESCAPE BELOW CUSTOMS HOUSE TODAY

BUILDING SLID FROM SUPPORTS AND CAME DOWN HEAVILY
NEARLY CRUSHING LABORER ENGAGED IN PLACING
PREMISES ON NEW SITE.

Just as a very good job in house shifting had been almost accomplished by the placing on piles at its final site of the customs house, now on First Avenue, an accident took place which narrowly escaped being for one workman a tragedy.

When within an inch of sitting building gave a lurch, slid off its supports on one side and came down with a heavy crash to the ground. Everything inside slid. The big safe did a two-step stunt that sent the customs clerks dodging over their slanting floor to safety behind the uprights. But the safe fortunately paused. Both the large front windows of the building were shattered under the sudden strain, but the chimney and framing of the building stood firm.

when it slipped was one of the men engaged in guiding the customs house to its resting place. He had no time to get out when the building took a lurch and had been but a few feet farther forward he would have been crushed shapeless. As it was, when he crawled out his mates hailed him with congratulations on his good fortune in escaping without a scratch.

The Latest.

A radiophone machine will entertain the Presbyterian Club members tomorrow night. This is something new in Rupert and should be enjoyed by many. All are welcome to the club, which meets at 8:15 in the church hall.

For sale—Soda fountain and all appurtenances. C. H. Orme. 1f

SERVICES OF U. S. EXPERT ON ERECTION OF JUICE PLANT

SUPERINTENDENT STATES NO FURTHER NEED FOR THEM—
QUESTION OF RESPONSIBILITY FOR EFFICIENCY OF NEW
MACHINERY RAISED AND REFERRED TO SOLICITOR.

The builders of the new electric light units, supplied to the city wired the Mayor on Saturday night stating that the presence of their expert would be again required when the switch board arrives on April 15th. At last night's council meeting Alderman Montgomery asked Superintendent Matthews if the expert had passed the machinery after test in his presence. Mr. Matthews replied that he had and that as the firm in question had nothing whatever to do with the switch board he did not think that there was any need for the further attendance of the expert.

brought up the point that the city would have no redress in case the machinery was not satisfactory since their man had not erected it.

Further discussion continued at some length resulted in the decision to refer the whole matter to the City Solicitor and Light committee so that the exact position of the city in regard to the purchase of this machinery may be made clear and the responsibility placed.

Trouble in the kitchen of the Royal threatened its high reputation. The trouble is all ended now. 3t

Some discussion followed, in which Alderman Morrissey

Best room in town at Savoy.

TAPPED JUICE ALL PAID FOR

But City Solicitor Says That
Illuminated Club Room Was a
Blind Pig—They've Closed It
Down, Though.

That the city has lost nothing of the revenue derived from the current supplied to Mr. Demers' premises on Third Avenue and through Mr. Demers' meter to M. M. Stephens' premises rented as club rooms was reported last night by the City Solicitor. Payment for the juice used by the club had been arranged by Mr. Stephens through the City Solicitor, who added that the club had been closed, "which was a good thing, as it was nothing but a blind pig."

Hero of the Hose.

Another fireman is required on the city staff. Last night the City Council passed a resolution arranging for the appointment, leaving the selection of a man to the fire chief.

Best room in town at the Savoy.

WILL RETURN A BENEDICT

W. D. Vance, Popular Assistant
Treasurer at City Hall, Slipped
Off Quietly to Play Principal
Boy in a Wedding Ceremony.

A quiet wedding was solemnized at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Kyle, 1554 Sixth Avenue West, on Wednesday evening, when the Rev. Mr. Henry united in marriage Miss Irene McIntosh of Edmonton and Mr. Walter Vance of Prince Rupert. The bride was married in her traveling dress, a navy blue cloth suit and large black hat, with willow plumes, and carried a shower bouquet of brides' roses. After refreshments were served the couple left on the night boat for Aberdeen, Wash., where they will visit the groom's parents. Mr. Vance is assistant treasurer of the city of Prince Rupert, where they will make their future home. —Vancouver Province.

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NOTICE TO LIBERALS

A general meeting of the Prince Rupert Liberal Association will be held in McIntyre Hall Wednesday evening, March 13th, at 8 o'clock sharp.

P. W. ANDERSON, Sec.