

ELECTORS DO YOUR DUTY:--The issue is now plainly before you. You must certainly understand the difference between the Liberal and Conservative Policies. A vote for ALEX. M. MANSON spells: End of Ring Rule, Bossism and Intimidation. For your own interests, for future welfare of your Province, District of Skeena and Prince Rupert, mark your ballot with a cross after the name of Alex. M. Manson. Do not vote for Wm. Manson. If you vote for him you vote against your country's best interests. Put a cross after second name on ballot.

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Says I:
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Says I.

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CLEAR CUT, CLEAN POLITICS AT ALEX. MANSON'S MEETING

Liberal Candidate Generously Gives All Opposing Candidates Ample Time—His Own Straightforward Speech Given a Most Magnificent Reception

Magnificent. There is only one word to describe the stirring meeting held in the Empress Theatre last night for Alex. Manson. Magnificent, and war, too, straight, clean political warfare such as has never before been witnessed in Prince Rupert. Giving every one of his political opponents a fair field and no favor, giving them the first freshness of his audience, and reserving for himself only the fog end of the meeting, Alex. Manson the young candidate, who has

won in the past two weeks more popularity and respect from friend and foe alike than even his pioneer years in Rupert have earned for him, held his great appreciative audience as with a spell, and by straightforward, simple statement of fact in the plainest of language, won the whole-hearted, thunderous applause of the house. That he won their votes, too, as well as their hearts is a certainty. When he said so quietly: "I think I have a fair, even a good, chance of election tomorrow," there went up from that crowded house such a burst of enthusiasm as the Empress Theatre has never before experienced. It was magnificent. There is no other word for it. Alexander Manson's reception by a Prince Rupert audience differs from that of William Manson, the spineless, as broad daylight from darkest night. Alex. Manson the people want to hear. William Manson they have clearly done with.

SKEENA SAFE

Liberals Will Have a Good Lead Up River

Special to Daily News
Van Arsdol, March 28—All indications along the river in the towns of Terrace, Kitsumkalum, Van Arsdol and Kitselas point to Liberal majority.

STEWART SOLID

Northern Town Will Give Large Majority for Alex. Manson

Stewart, B. C., March 28—Stewart will return a large majority for Alex. M. Manson. Sentiment strong against Wm. Manson.

Down with ring rule is the cry unanimous on every side. The determination of the fair minded people is bound to win out on Thursday. For progressive government put your cross after the second name on the ballot paper.
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THE INDICTMENT OF WM. MANSON AND McBRIDE GOVERNMENT

Facts for Every Intelligent Voter to Take With Him to the Poll Today---Every One of Them a Nail in the Political Coffin of William Manson

The national life of the Legislature has been out short by almost one half without a reason. Strong suspicion is raised that a snap verdict is desired to conceal something the public should know or to entrench the Government for a longer term in order that some new unpopular and repulsive deal may be forced through with greater safety, viz: a new Canadian Northern deal.

The appeal is not an appeal. Neither Mr. McBride nor the candidate can possibly within 30 days of the dissolution place the facts and issues before all the people. Some will know nothing of the campaign or the candidates until they see the ballot box. The Government is making a farce of the poll such as has been made in no other province. There is something to conceal.

The Government hastened dissolution without redistribution though the population has doubled in the last ten years. Adequate representation, particularly of the north, has been thus prevented. All British precedents have been reversed in this. Haste was uncalculated for. Suspicion grows into conviction that haste was not in the public interest but against it.

The appropriations for the year have not been distributed. Open threats are made that fair treatment in the matter will only be given to the localities supporting the government candidate. Freedom and democracy are at stake.

The applications of twenty or thirty for licenses throughout the riding are held pending until the election is decided. The applicants must bow to the club or lose all chance of success—political inquisition is upon us with a vengeance.

WILLIAM MANSON.

An accountant, fairly educated, a man who well knows good from evil and right from wrong. But alas, a man who has been tried and found sadly wanting in the constituency of Alberni, where he was defeated as provincial secretary. In Rupert in 1910 when he failed as our member to procure consideration for our charter. In Rupert when he bribed a portion of the electorate with the promise of a higher wage on the eve of an election. In Rupert when he dalled with both sides in a strike and when, as was said by the Judge of the Supreme Court, he "was woefully dilatory and negligent in his duty as the civil magistrate of the city" in not adequately co-operating with those who sought to maintain order and peace when matters reached a climax. And in one short month he lost the entire respect of the citizens (laborers and contractors alike) by not playing the man.

In Rupert in his unfair unpartisan stand as a License Commissioner—for example, in the case of his conduct as to the Savoy—conduct so roundly condemned by the present Mayor and his paper, the Empire.

In Rupert in his unmanly stand or lack of stand in the Scott Act campaign—a public man yet without an avowed opinion.

In the Legislature in not dividing the House as to the conduct of the Government in entering the field of the real estate speculator in the city of Prince Rupert—despite the fact that the Conservative Association of this city urged strong action.

In the Legislature in his failure to procure or demand the return of a fair share of the revenue derived from Rupert and the north—a lamentable and a woeful failure and one that could not be excused unless an earnest protest had been made and a division of the House compelled.

In the Legislature, in his failure to procure assistance for railways, to open the new valleys in the north.

In the Legislature, in his failure to protest against the paralleling of the Canadian Northern from Fort George to Vancouver by a branch line of the G. T. P. and in his failure to protest against the use of northern credit in guaranteeing the bonds of the Pacific & Great Eastern (G. T. P.) and other railway lines, all for the south.

In Victoria, in his utter failure to prevail upon the government to give a criminal assize for the north at the City of Prince Rupert.

In his conception of a party man as one who stands ready to answer at all times and upon all occasions regardless of right, the beck and call of his party leader and the party whip.

In his failure to show strength sufficient to warrant his being called to the Cabinet Council, and in his failure to show at any time the qualities of courageous manhood which his constituents had a right to expect of him, and which all men admire.

THE LAND POLICY.

The McBride Government has alienated the lands of the province to speculative purchasers to the exclusion of the settlers.

The McBride Government has handicapped the pre-emptor with a charge of a dollar an acre for his land, a ten dollar fee for his Crown grant, a charge for his survey, with a failure to provide means of communication and a gross mis-spending of the pre-emptor's money and the people's money in building useless trails.

The McBride Government and William Manson not only failed to remove these handicaps, but they failed to grant assistance by way of loan from an overflowing public treasury to the settlers.

LIQUOR AND POLICE CONTROL.

The McBride Government brought the license holders and police of the province and of the municipalities to a condition of political slavery, disgusting in the extreme to men of honor and independence.

William Manson, who realizes the existence of this slavery, has done nothing in the House to free these departments from the sickening enslavement or to remove the liquor and police from political control.

CIVIL SERVICE.

The McBride Government has subverted the whole of the civil service to the patronage basis at the expense of its efficiency and independence.

The McBride Government and our ex-member have done nothing, while all other British and Colonial Governments were taking strides toward the removal of the civil service from party control, to remedy the unfortunate condition within our province.

PUBLIC ACCOUNTS.

The McBride Government has absolutely prevented an independent audit of the public accounts since taking office, and it has prevented the investigation of the public accounts by the Public Accounts Committee of the House—a practice which prevails in every other province in the Dominion, in the Dominion, in the Imperial House, and in the Parliament of every British Colony.

The Premier trifled with his word so far as to make a farce of the Public Accounts Committee during the last sitting of the Legislature by committing the public accounts to the Public Accounts Committee the day before the Legislature was dissolved, and when it was absolutely impossible for the Committee to sit.

Our late member, an accountant, has countenanced this gross violation of constitutional practice, and has condoned it upon the platform on the ground that nothing is wrong when there are glaring evidences all over the province that things are wrong and very wrong indeed.

LABOR.

The McBride Government has done nothing for labor since taking office—has not granted the minimum wage or an eight hour day even on its own and its aided work.

The Government has not insisted upon six days a week and six days only.

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FINEST VAUDEVILLE SHOW EVER SEEN IN OPERA HOUSE

Neither Bouquets nor Lemons for William Manson—Was Heard in Breathless Silence—Witless Ditties and Speak-Easy Stunts to Win Votes

William Manson's last appeal to the thoughtful consideration of the public was an excellent vaudeville show in the Westholme Opera House last night. All the seats up front for five or six rows were vacant as if people were ashamed to get in the limelight, but still, because the theatre is a big one there was a fairly large audience which thoroughly enjoyed the vaudeville show at the expense of William Manson.

The entertainment opened with the "Fall of Troy," so suggestive of the "Fall of Ring Rule" in Prince Rupert. This was thoroughly enjoyed. The management of the opera house had specially arranged to hold these films for this important meeting. They are the finest films ever seen here. And Professor Werner, with the sly humor not often found in the talented musician, played "The Swan Song" as a running accompaniment to the overthrow of Troy, so emblematic of the overthrow of Ring Rule in Prince Rupert.

Then little Ethel Gray took the bitter taste out of one's mouth (politically) by a couple of pretty ditties, and a comedian named James Kelly came on and did a couple of stunts. Then James McLennan came on with the bagpipes and caught every Scotch vote in the house. In fact, the audience took such an interest in it that it sounded like the hitching up of a couple of twenty dog teams for a long hike to the burial of a lost prospector. Later in the meeting the Scotchmen could not get these merry howls out of their minds and they howled at the candidate.

They howled their glee when

Alderman Douglas was called on for his turn. "I might state," was a catchword that caught on immediately, and they howled. He said they had many brilliant speakers to follow him. "You are IT, Doug," they yelled back. He went onto say in his most jovial manner, "we are going to return Clayton to the House of Lords; we are going to elect Alex. Manson to the Supreme Court bench. (Immense cheering.) We are going to elect Wm. Montgomery as premier of

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OUTLYING DISTRICTS

Late Reports from Outlying Districts Indicate Good Vote for Alex. Manson.

From Queen Charlotte Islands Bella Coola, Porcher Island and other polling places late reports indicate that Liberals will poll larger vote than ever before. The election of Alex. Manson is confidently expected on all sides.

HAZELTON SECURE

Interior Will Surprise William Manson Today

Special to Daily News
Hazelton, B.C., March 28—Unless all reasonable signs fail Hazelton will surprise Wm. Manson by returning a large Liberal majority. People worked up to intense pitch against the machine and ring rule.

Easter cards and Easter novelties in great array for Easter remembrances. McRae Bros.

Remember

There will be two Manson names on your ballot paper. Be careful to make the distinction between the McBride Manson, who has been tried and found wanting, and ALEX. M. MANSON, the people's candidate, and a true representative of Skeena riding. To save confusion at the polls put your cross opposite the name of ALEX. M. MANSON, which is the second name on the ballot, exactly as indicated thus:

CLAYTON William Barratt Clayton, of Prince Rupert Dentist	
MANSON, ALEX. M. A. M. Manson, of Prince Rupert, Barrister-at-Law	X
MANSON, WILLIAM William Manson, of Prince Rupert, Accountant	
MONTGOMERY Wm. H. Montgomery, of Prince Rupert, Laborer	

BLAIRMORE FIRE.

Property Loss Is Estimated at Hundred Thousand Dollars.

(Special to Daily News.)

Blairmore, March 27.—A fire which swept the business portion of the town today caused the death of an unidentified Italian and a property loss of \$100,000. The Cosmopolitan Hotel, Royal Bank and several stores were among the places consumed.

BOARD—Strictly tariff companies now represented by The Mack Realty & Insurance Co., The Insurance People, 2nd ave and

Piano for rent. Apply Keeley's Drug Store.

BURNED TO DEATH

Two Real Estate Men Lose Their Lives in Fire.

(Special to Daily News.)

Prince Albert, Sask., March 27.—Two real estate men named Robert Drysdale and James Homestag were burned to death when the Thistle Cafe, in which twenty-eight men were lodging, was burned at an early hour this morning.

Do you pay your bills? Could you pay them if you were burned out? Get a policy in the Commercial Union Fire Assurance Corporation. Assets \$11,000,000. The Mack Realty & Insurance Co., Agents.
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ALEX. MANSON THE MAN TO VOTE FOR

One candidate amongst the four in the present campaign has battled straight, fearless and firm, absolutely immune from the sort of criticism which has been directed against others. That candidate is Alex. M. Manson. Alex. Manson's reputation is clear cut and clean, the reputation in business and in the political arena of an honest, fearless fighter, a real champion of the rights of the people of Prince Rupert and of all the riding.

While facing the arrayed forces of Conservative partisanship of the most hide-bound type, Alex. Manson stands out himself as singularly free from any kind of clogging slavish partisanship of that kind. He is a Liberal in the best and widest sense of the great, clean word.

This present campaign, in which today you are playing your part as elector, will go down to history as one of the most strenuous and remarkable campaigns ever fought in Skeena Riding. Coming with all the fire of youth, with undoubted ability and with indefatigable energy into the battle almost at the last moment, Alex. Manson has waged a splendid, stirring fight—a fight which has proved his mettle.

Generous to a fault and in manner very different from that of the crafty politician of the old school, of which William Manson, his opponent, is a member, Alex. Manson has been fair and far more than fair to his opponent time and again in the contest. He has waged the battle clean-handed and clean-hearted scorning mean subterfuge, never shrinking from a face to face conflict with the political foe.

Alex. Manson is absolutely opposed to the poor, craven theory put out by small-spirited and meanly-poised minds that Prince Rupert dares not assert herself and her needs through an opposition member, however able he be than the servile William Manson. Only the meaneast meet miserably self-interested of ring clingers could enunciate so cowardly a policy.

Prince Rupert need fear nothing from representation through a member in opposition to the McBride Two-Man Rule. The fight for Prince Rupert's rights through a strong member opposed to a government which is defrauding the rising city of those rights, will redound to the credit of Prince Rupert as a city of the free, not a city of slavish politicians serving Richard McBride with lickspittle flattery. And the rights of Prince Rupert no man, not even Richard McBride, can take from her if her citizens will but be men, not machines.