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RUPERT RECOGNIZED AS FUTURE WHEAT PORT

COUNCIL MAY COMPROMISE WITH CONTRACTOR M'MORDIE

MR. M'MORDIE WOULD ACCEPT \$10,000 IN FULL OF CLAIMS—COUNCIL DICKERS OVER AMOUNT AND FINALLY AGREES TO OFFER \$8,500—WHAT ABOUT WATSON?

L. W. Patmore, solicitor for S. P. McMordie, has intimated his willingness to accept the sum of \$10,000 and call the McMordie suit off. This to include liquidated damages and all claims. The city solicitor's estimate of the amount due is \$6,944.55, including allowance for old lumber. Yesterday afternoon the Mayor and city solicitor met Mr. Patmore and Mr. McMordie and endeavored to get them to meet the city for a lower sum, but without avail. Alderman Morrissey made a motion at last night's council meeting that this sum of \$10,000 be paid in settlement of the McMordie claims in full. After some explanatory matter the city solicitor said that in his opinion if the Council was prepared to settle with McMordie on these terms they had better settle with Watson, too, on similar terms. This did not appeal to the finance minister, but he suggested that the Council might compromise with McMordie for \$8,000. Mayor Newton's own personal view of it was that if the city could settle for \$9,000 they would be getting a satisfactory deal and might be wise in so doing. Alderman Clayton, as an amendment to Alderman Douglas' motion—there being no second to Alderman Morrissey's—moved that a compromise be effected for \$8,500. This motion was carried.

Suits, dresses, coat collars, millinery, hats, trimmings and novelties, at Mrs. Frizzell's. If

TO BUILD SHEDS

Atlin Construction Co. Plans Large Order for Sheds and Wharf.
For the new cannery at Tuck's Inlet, the Atlin Construction Co., has just let the lumber contract to the Westholme Lumber Company, for sheds and warehouse. The warehouse will be 200 feet long, by 100 feet wide.

VALUE OF A LEG

Twenty Thousand Awarded by a Vancouver Jury.
(Special to Daily News.)
Vancouver, April 30.—A verdict of \$20,000 in favor of the plaintiff was rendered by the special jury in the case of Axel Gustavson against J. R. Jones. Jones has a logging camp at Evan's Bay, Reid Island. Gustavson was employed at a "chaser" and was injured by a log rolling on him. He lost a leg.

APPOINTS PARKS BOARD

City Council's Special Meetings This Week.
At 4 p. m. on Wednesday a special meeting of the Council will be held to consider the appointment of a parks commission. The Council visits the cold storage at Seal Cove at 2 p. m. on Friday.
Comfortable newly furnished rooms, steam heated, hot and cold water. Albert Block. m1

VICTIM OF BLASTING MISHAP ON CITY WATER WORKS TRENCH

COUNCIL DISPOSED TO DEAL CONSIDERATELY WITH CASE OF ERNEST MAYNARD, SERIOUSLY INJURED SOME TIME AGO—GRANT OF MONEY MADE—INSURANCE QUESTION.

Ernest Maynard, the victim of the blasting accident some time ago on the pipe line work near Seal Cove, is not yet recovered and is in need of support. The Mayor has authorized the granting of the sum of \$40 to him meantime to meet his present needs pending his progress toward recovery, when it is expected suitable permanent employment may be found for him about the city works. Through a peculiarity of the insurance policy covering city employees this man was not covered. Several aldermen enquired about this and the city clerk explained that the company carrying the agency for this liability insurance had endeavored by approaching the Finance committee

to have the men employed on sewers and water works included in the covering contract. The rate of \$6.40 per cent of pay roll seemed to the Finance committee prohibitive, and these workmen were not included. The city is liable. The man is practically incapable in his present condition and the Mayor's action in arranging that he shall receive sick pay at the rate of \$10 per week is approved. The unfortunate man has a wife and one child who were dependent on him before his accident. The Mayor asked whether in the event of the medical health officer reporting no improvement the \$10 grant weekly should be continued. To this the Council seemed favorable pending other arrangements.

WHEN THE WHEAT BEGINS TO FLOW WESTWARDS TO RUPERT

Financial Circles Are Now Calculating Closely on the Effect Upon the Money Markets of the Adoption of the Westward Way With the Wealth of Canada's Wide Wheat-Fields—Prince Rupert's Place Acknowledged Supreme

The day of the wheat elevator era in Prince Rupert is the dream of the progressive Prince Rupert citizen, whether he be a real estate man or whether he be merchant. With the linking up of the Grand Trunk Pacific steel to the east, it is absolutely certain that there will be the beginnings of a steady stream of wheat commencing with the tiniest of trickles along that double track of, and increasing season by season to a perfect river of golden grain. All to be stored and shipped in Prince Rupert. Vancouver, too, has her eye on the elevator business, and Vancouver may have her share of it, as far as Prince Rupert is concerned. Closest investigation of rail routes to the Pacific coast points still steadily towards the supremacy of the G.T.P. easiest grade transcontinental. Over the smooth haul of the G.T.P. is the

line of least resistance for the wheat, and when the wheat comes to the west for shipment by sea it will be principally by way of the open door provided for it in Prince Rupert. The im-wheat begins to pour westwards in financial circles at present. In the east, as well as in the west, says Canadian Finance, certain of the financial interests have begun to discuss the changes that will be effected when wheat from Alberta and part of Saskatchewan begins to find its way in volume to Europe via the Pacific. That is one of the developments which the prospective opening of the Panama Canal is expected to effect. So far as the grain production of Manitoba is concerned one may expect that it will continue to move east to Fort William, Port Arthur and Duluth—during the

season of lake navigation at any rate. Doubtless, it will be some little while before the shipping community finally delineates the confines of the territory which will then be subject to the Lake Superior ports and of the territory subject to the big ports on the Pacific coast. Were it not for the Rocky Mountains the territory upon which Vancouver and Prince Rupert would draw, might extend much farther east. In the case of the existing line of railway, which goes entirely through to the coast, the large expenditure on fuel required to fight the grades encountered in the mountain passes, operates to handicap the western route quite materially. The general public does not, perhaps, realize that in the haul eastward from points in

CITY COUNCIL HAS A CHAT ABOUT CEMENT

Canadian Brand of Material Condemned in Favor of German Product for the Acropolis Hill Reservoir

Cement proved to be the burning subject at the City Council meeting last night. Cement may be fire proof in fact, but nothing is proof against the burning power of city council eloquence. The cement in question is that required for the lining of the reservoir on Acropolis Hill, and Alderman Morrissey's eloquence was the most volcanic. Col. Davis, city engineer, reported to the Council on the cement tenders. He recommended the acceptance of the lowest tender. Alderman Morrissey said that here the Board of Works and Engineering department locked

horns. He held that price should not enter into this calculation at all where so much depends on the quality of the material. He pinned his faith to German Alsen cement against all rivals, and even went so far as to threaten to wash his hands of this whole branch of the Public Works department unless the cement he had reason to believe in above all others were used. (A burst of applause hailed his determination on this point.) Col. Davis explained that he had no preference in the cements offered. All were bound to come up to specification. It was his bounden duty to recommend to

the city the lowest priced cement which came up to requirements. He would trust no consignment of cement which he did not test in bulk as delivered. This made all cements equal except as to price. After some further argument a motion was carried in favor of German Alsen cement as offered by the Westholme Lumber Company. This motion had the support of the Mayor, who expressed himself practically enough in favor of the very best cement regardless of any difference of merely a few dollars more or less.

WAITING FOR THEIR DEAD

Dreary Vigil Kept at Halifax During Delayed Return Voyage of the Mackay Bennett, Morgue Ship.

(Special to Daily News.)
Halifax, April 30.—This has been a dreary day for many awaiting the return of the Mackay Bennett with the bodies of their friends. Early in the forenoon they became aware that another night must pass before the ordeal of claiming or identification begins. Notice came in the form of a message from Captain Lardner that he would bring the ship into harbor at 9 o'clock tomorrow morning. Captain Lardner probably came south of Sable Island, thereby adding eighty miles to his voyage, but ran no risk of ice. Meetings were held this afternoon in the office of the Attorney General, attended by Premier Murray, Attorney General Daniels and United States Consul General Bagesdale. The conference decided concerning the procedure of identification of the bodies and the disposal of any personal effects found upon them. The government agreed to have an officer appointed who will take charge of this matter. The following message from the cable ship Minia was received this afternoon:

"Covered ground between latitude 41:20 and 41:50, longitude 49:45 and 49. Thus far only 13 bodies. Steamer passing say none seen. Shall search south and east Monday. Can give no hope relatives that missing be found. Iceberg near the place from latitude 41:50 to 41:42 and longitude 49. Moving south fast."

Formal opening of the Catholic Hall, Thursday evening, May 2nd, at 8 o'clock. Admission free. Charges for refreshments and games. 31
To destroy those moths get Red Cedar Flakes at 25 cents the package from Orme, the Pioneer druggist. 1f
Best room in town at Savoy.

TREHERNE FIRE SWEEP

Hundred Thousand Dollars' Loss so Far and Fire Still Rages.

(Special to Daily News.)
Winnipeg, April 29.—One side of the main business street of Treherne, Manitoba, has been destroyed by fire and the fire is still in progress. Only a bucket brigade is available to fight the flames. The loss is a hundred thousand dollars, principally to retail stores.

FIRE LIMIT IS NOT YET; SOON

Establishment of Safeguard Regulations Might Deter Development, So Idea is Postponed Meantime.

For a little while yet Prince Rupert will be without a definite fire limit. Alderman Clayton said that it was his own intention to bring in a bylaw on this subject, but he had been shown that to do so would work a hardship on many enterprising property owners who intended building solid structures as soon as the heavy blasting on the railway reserve and other works is finished. It appears that the shock of heavy blasting tends to disintegrate the substance of concrete structures.

STILL AFTER J. H. HILDITCH

City Engineer Authorized to Make the Third Street Sidewalk Safe, but Council Has Not Done with Contractor.

Before any business was done by the Council last night Mayor Newton advised with the Council on the matter of the Hilditch case. The Mayor holds that the sidewalk on Third street, altered without authority by the contractor, is not safe, despite the fact that Magistrate Carss dismissed the case against Hilditch. Alderman Tom Maitland indignantly declared that the sidewalk is safer than many other places

THE COUNCIL WILL JAUNT

Visit of City Fathers to the Cold Storage Company's Premises at Seal Cove Planned for Friday.

The Mayor and City Council will pay an official visit to the cold storage plant at Seal Cove on Friday afternoon. Mayor Newton was invited to make the trip by Mr. Collins, and remembering that the Cold Storage Company is to be a large customer for water from the city sources, he thought the Council might come along and investigate the proposition with this in view. The Council carried a motion arranging to make the trip on Friday, Mr. Collins sending a launch for them.

INJURED NOSE

John Pooler, local manager for P. Burns & Co., suffered a broken nose at the baseball practice last night.

EAELY DAUGHTER ARRIVES

Handsome Home of L. W. Patmore Again Visited by the Bird of Blessing
There is another lusty infantile voice today gathering lung power to ring through the spacious apartments of L. W. Patmore's mansion on the hill. A wee daughter arrived there this morning, and is welcomed with due honor. L. W. Patmore, who with some reason, claims to have quite "a thriving infant industry" on the hill, is being congratulated all round, and the news that Mrs. Patmore and the little one are both in the best of health is most acceptable.

FINANCES ARE PROGRESSING

Important Bylaws Dealt With Last Night—Bank Believed to Be Prepared to Make Advances for Carrying of Work in Hand

Indications are that the city has passed through the worst of its financial difficulties, and that funds will be advanced by the Bank of Montreal to the amount of \$688,000 apportioned as follows: Hydro-electric addition, \$300,000; Phone plant addition, \$20,000; electric light, \$66,000; city hall, \$35,000; sewer, \$100,000; local improvements, \$167,000. Bylaws have been passed by the city to authorize certain of these advances, notably those for the city hall, telephone and light extension. These were introduced and put through initial stages last night.

DISCUSSED THE DOG CATCHER

City Council Last Night Had a Pleasant Little Confabulation About the Duties and Doings of the Brass Tag Man.

Amongst other matters of general but not vital interest which frittered away the evening for the city council and kept them in session until midnight and more, was an interesting discussion of the duties of the dog-catcher. It has been discovered that the Knight of the brass tag does not keep steadily on the job. He has even been accused of staying out of town and only hurrying back to Rupert when short of cash to round up a few more unlicensed bow-wows, and replenish his purse with his 50 per cent. commission. Meantime he keeps all the tags, and the licence book so that no one can get a dog licence in his absence. Arrangements are to be made so that dog licences may be obtained at the City Hall.
For men's fine shoes in the latest styles see Scott, Froud & Co., 3rd ave.
For a quick lunch, Royal Cafe.

THE RAILWAY COMMISSION

Sittings Resumed at Toronto—Judge Mabee Taken Suddenly Ill and Removed to Hospital—Expect Appendicitis Operation.

(Special to Daily News.)
Toronto, April 30.—The Dominion Railway Commission opened its sittings again today with 595 cases under consideration. One is the adjourned hearing of the application of the Lands department of British Columbia for an order regulating open funnel locomotives in regard to the spreading of fires on adjacent lands during the dry seasons of the year. Another case affects freight rates west of Port Arthur. It will likely be late in the week before decision is reached. The widespread shortage of cars and engines is also to be investigated. The Board ordered that all the railways shall submit full reports of rolling stock available or prospective, also intended improvements.

Toronto, April 30.—(Later.)—The head of the Railway Commission, Chairman Mabee, has been removed to St. Michael's Hospital tonight suffering from appendicitis. His doctors will decide tomorrow if they are to operate. The sitting of the commission proceeds under the chairmanship of Darcy Scott.

TREASURY SCRIP O. K.

Lt. Gov. in Council Has Authorized the Issue.
At the City Council meeting last night Mayor Newton announced that Mr. Clancy of the Bank of Montreal has received notification from the Lieutenant Governor in council to the effect that the issue of treasury certificates for the financing of Prince Rupert as requested by the Mayor and City Solicitor has been granted.

Public Meeting Called.
A public meeting is called for Thursday, May 2nd, at the police court rooms to consider the advisability of holding a celebration on the 24th of May.

At Mrs. Frizzell's for everything in ladies apparel. Sixth Street, Empress Block. 1f

PRINCE RUPERT TWENTY MINUTES AGO

Finance Minister still figuring it out. Visitor declares that what he most admires about the new city hall is the marvelous Mason work. Rupert baseball star has a broken nose, but his record remains intact. Laurel wreaths arrive for Prince Rupert amateurs. Collins completes arrangements for consigning the Council to cold storage. They gotta quit kiokin' our dog catcher aroun'.

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