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## SUDDEN BEREAVEMENT BEFALLS RUPERT HOME

### MEMBER FOR COMOX-ATLIN ADDRESSES CONSTITUENTS

MR. H. S. CLEMENTS GAVE A RESUME OF HIS EFFORTS AT OTTAWA ON BEHALF OF HIS DISTRICT—IMPORTANCE OF THE CONSTITUENCY COMES HOME TO HIM.

In the McIntyre Hall on Saturday night both H. S. Clements, M. P., and Dr. Alfred Thompson, M. P., gave addresses on their work at Ottawa during the past session, and what they considered the prospects of the districts they represent in the future. Compliments to the Conservative government were flying and to the constituency of Comox-Atlin for having returned Mr. Clements. The naval question was touched upon, and the resources of Prince Rupert's surrounding districts were mentioned with enthusiasm. Mr. Clements had endeavored to get all that he could get for his constituency while at Ottawa. He had not fully realized how great a constituency Comox-Atlin is. Mr. Clements spoke of Rupert as a forthcoming fishing centre of

great importance in the world. He added that the marine station he had investigated on Saturday would be the forerunner of naval stations when the Canadian Pacific fleet had its strength developed on this coast.

Mr. Clements spoke in favor of having terminal elevators here when the line is through and dwell at some length on fisheries improvements which he hopes to see achieved. The meeting was a large one and enthusiastic. Satisfaction was generally expressed at the amount of appropriations secured by Mr. Clements for the district.

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### THE BURNING MOTION TONIGHT

#### SCATHING CENSURE.

"Whereas, the committee having in hand the finances of the city should at all times be able to furnish to the council or members of the council reliable information in regard to the finances of the city and the relations of its bankers or fiscal agents to the city.

"And, whereas, any misrepresentation of the city's standing or relation with the aforesaid bankers or fiscal agents, or any withholding on the part of said committee of information which should be given to the Bank

of Montreal would, in the opinion of this council work very materially to the disadvantage of this city's credit.

"And, whereas, this council is of the opinion that all available and necessary information was not given to the said Bank of Montreal in order that the bank become possessed of the city position as to its loans, thereby placing the city in a very unenviable light before the public;

"Now, therefore, be it resolved, That in the opinion of this council, that the

finance committee should be censured for not going more fully into and acquainting the manager of the Bank of Montreal with all available information in regard to the business of the city;

"And, further, That this council views with alarm, that on a pretext so slight, the finance committee should advocate the shutting down of all work on the revenue producing utilities of this city."

Moved by Alderman Clayton, seconded by Alderman Kerr and supported by Alderman Montgomery.

### SOURDOUGHS FEASTED A COMRADE IN DR. THOMPSON

MEMORIES OF OLD YUKON DAYS HAUNTED THE BANQUET HALL OF PETER BLACK'S HOTEL ON SATURDAY NIGHT—GLOWING SPEECHES AND APPROPRIATE ADDRESS.

In right royal style were the honors done on Saturday night to Dr. Alfred Thompson as the guest of Prince Rupert's sourdoughs in Pete Black's Hotel. Pete, himself a sourdough of the most marked and honored type, saw to it that the fare was worthy the occasion. There were no dress suits or white collars at the reunion. But the old memories of the trail were revived, and men who had mushed it in '98 from Skagway to the Klondike met and shared together the festive occasion.

An appropriate address lettered in the inimitable style of Sourdough Morte H. Craig on moose skin was presented to Dr. Thompson, who replied with words well calculated to thrill Prince Rupert citizens, whether sourdough or not, with satisfaction. The wel-

come accorded the doctor went to his heart, and he returned the compliments accorded him with compliments as warm for Prince Rupert. What is more, he made the hopeful assertion, based on sound knowledge, that the trade of the Yukon belongs to Prince Rupert whenever she is ready to do business with the rich territory to the north. He went further and pointed out that the trade of Alaska, too, was sure to trend toward Prince Rupert as a nearer point than Seattle.

The toast of honor and the other toasts were drunk with due ceremony, J. H. Rogers being toastmaster. The toast to the president was responded to by Mr. Lynch, and that of the press by J. B. Roerig and W. Coyney. Mr. H. S. Clements was also present at the dinner.

## TRAGIC DEATH EARLY TODAY OF DRYDOCK CONTRACTOR

Mr. Matthew Dow Passes Away in Bed at Five a.m. as Result of Heart Attack---Sudden and Sad Blow to Family Only Recently Arrived in Rupert---Leaves Fine Record of Constructional Achievement Behind Him

Tragically swift was the death at five o'clock this morning of Mr. Matthew Dow, the contractor for the Grand Trunk Pacific dry dock works now in hand. Mr Dow passed away in bed with totally unexpected suddenness. He was apparently in perfectly good health last night, though he had been threatened for some time back with heart affection. No cause for apprehension regarding him had, however, been felt, and yesterday afternoon Mr. Dow was out and about with friends enjoying the perfect weather and speakingly enthusiastically of Prince Rupert, and the prospects here both in regard to his work, and the development otherwise of the city.

ing further to be done. Death was evidently due to failure of the heart's action, subsequent to the development of trouble there which had been suspected, but not apprehensively regarded.

#### A Good Record.

The late Mr. Dow leaves behind him a splendid record in his own useful line of business. Not only does the city of Seattle owe most of her principal wharves and docks to his skilled constructive ability, but Mr. Dow was also specially engaged by the Grand Trunk Pacific Co. to construct their Vancouver wharves for them. His success at Seattle and Vancouver, led to his being chosen as contractor for the construction of the Prince Rupert dry dock, which would have been the crowning achievement of his life. Mr. Dow was proud to have these extensive works in charge and his personality was certainly a valuable factor in the furtherance of the undertaking.

#### Of Scottish Birth

Born in Scotland, Mr. Dow made most of his success in the States. He came early to the Pacific Coast, and had a long experience in Seattle. He was at the time of his death just sixty-two years and nine months of age. Deceased leaves besides

his widow, to whom the sympathy of all Prince Rupert goes out today, five children. Jessie, Robert and Elizabeth are resident here, having only recently arrived with their father, and mother. In Seattle reside Mrs. John Kyle, and Mrs. Fitzhurbert Leather, two married daughters to whom the announcement of their father's unexpected death will come as a severe shock. Arrangements have been made to have the remains of the late contractor removed to Seattle by the first boat, the City of Seattle southbound. The funeral will be held in his home city.

#### Genial Personality

Prince Rupert citizens, all who came in contact with the late Mr. Dow, whether as workmen or friends and acquaintances, regret very keenly the passing so suddenly of one who made the most pleasing impression upon all whom he met. With kind spontaneous geniality Mr. Dow won the heart of Prince Rupert, and apart altogether from the fact that he was associated so intimately with a work so great and so important as the drydock, he would have become a marked personality in the city. In Mr. Dow Prince Rupert has lost one who would have been a welcome sojourner while his work held him here, and a very welcome visitor afterwards.

### INDIAN MINES HOLD MEETING

Old Officers Returned—Property in Good Shape—Ore Bodies Being Blocked Out—Provincial Government Building Roads.

At the annual meeting of the Indian Mines, Ltd., held Friday, the property was shown to be in excellent shape. Development work has been going on constantly and the ore bodies opened up.

That they have a splendid showing of ore is agreed by all who have visited the property. The main object of development work at this time is to gain depth on the ore bodies visible on the surface. This is being attained by driving a tunnel at a low elevation to tap the vein. It is expected that the tunnel will reach the ore within the next month or so. The Provincial government is building a road from Portland City to a point near the mine. This will greatly facilitate development as the mine will be easily accessible and supplies can be taken in cheaply and shipments of ore can be expected.

George E. Clothier is president and secretary of the company and Charles Guzman vice president. These, with J. Fred Ritchie, L. W. Patmore and James Cronin, constitute the board of directors.

Scott, Froud & Co. will continue their spring sale for a few days this week. Several barbans still being left. 2t

Went to Digby Island. H. S. Clements, M. P., and Dr. Alfred Thompson, M. P., made a trip to Digby Island on Saturday, accompanied by local friends, and inspected the government marine station and hospital, returning they called at the cold storage plant.

A special meeting of the St. Andrew's Society will be held in Western Plumbing Co.'s office tonight at 7:30 o'clock. Business of importance.

Don't forget, little one, you can get ice cream at Keeley's. tf

### RUPERT HAS ZOO

Present of Fine Yearling Buck Made to Park Commission

A gift of a fine, healthy buck has been made by Mr. Stanley Nevin to the park commissioners of Prince Rupert through Alderman Bullock-Webster, who is now taking care of the pretty animal. Arrangements for keeping it as the nucleus of a Stanley park for Rupert will be discussed.

Attention—best time in 1912—second annual Brotherhood picnic, Metlakatla beach, May 24th. Boats leave G. T. P. wharf at 1, 3 and 6 p. m. Tickets \$1.00. At J. H. Rogers' office. Ladies and children free.

#### Colonization Scheme.

General Agent McMaster, accompanied a party of engineers on Saturday's train bound for a point 40 miles east of Shandilla station, where it is said a large tract of land has been secured by old country people for colonization purposes.

#### Went to Essington.

Mr. H. S. Clements, M. P., accompanied by Dr. Alfred Thompson, M. P., and a party of local politicians which included O. H. Nelson, George Kerr, George Tite, Joe Scott and Dr. Tremayne, made a trip to Port Essington on the Evelyn yesterday. The purpose of the trip was to confer with the local Conservatives of Port Essington and see what could be done toward a better mail service for that town. Returning the party called at the Haysport cold storage plant.

Dr. Alfred Thompson, M. P., and Mr. H. S. Clements, M. P., were guests of the Saints' Rest for dinner on Saturday.

A fishing excursion party returned from the Yoxtall River Saturday afternoon. It consisted of Mrs. Demers, Miss Delorne, Mrs. Spencer and son of Victoria, Mrs. Frizzell, Mr. Frizzell, Mr. Chisholm, Mr. Rude and Mr. Peck. They landed a good catch of trout.

The modern, high class place for billiards and pool. Seale's, Third avenue. tf

### G. A. KEEFER DEAD

Was Resident Engineer Dept. of Works in B. C. for Years.

Victoria, May 18.—George A. Keefer, resident engineer of the Department of Works of Canada in British Columbia, died this evening, a clot of blood on the brain being the cause of death. He was 76 years of age. Since 1871 he had been engaged in work in this province. He was appointed resident engineer in 1890.

Best room in town at the Savoy.

### CANADIAN CLUB LUNCHEON.

Dr. Alfred Thompson will address the Canadian Club luncheon at the Central Hotel on Tuesday, May 21st. The luncheon will be held between 1 and 2 o'clock and tickets can be secured at the hotel on the same day.

### FOREST FIRES UNDER CONTROL

Washington Authorities Have Managed Successfully to Cope With the Outbreak Which Cost Five Lives.

Seattle, May 18.—There is nothing alarming today in the Western Washington forest fire situation according to chief fire warden J. L. Bridge, of the Washington Forest Fire Association. There are many fires but not one is beyond control. Five sawmills and many logging camps in Skagit, Snohomish, King, Pierce and Chehalis counties have been destroyed. The fires have caused the loss of several lives in Skagit County, but are said to be under control.

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### EAGLES' MEMORIAL SUNDAY

Annual Services Well Attended—Rev. Rushbrook Preached.

Yesterday the annual memorial service of the Fraternal Order of Eagles was held in their lodge room in the Helgeson block. The Swedish choir beautifully rendered a few sacred selections and there were several other vocal numbers on the program. Rev. Mr. Rushbrook delivered the memorial address, which was acknowledged by all to have been a very good sermon. The services were well attended and President George Leek presided.

If you want a choice steak call at the Royal Cafe. tf

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### BIG ITEMS WRIT SMALL

News Notes in Tabloid Form of Matters That Might Have Been Mentioned at Greater Length Had Time Permitted.

W. L. Barker's plans have been accepted for the new hospital wing and subject to approval by the government will be used. The city will guarantee the bonds for the new hospital advances from the bank instead of the members having to give their personal notes. Indigent patients not suffering from contagious complaints will be treated free by the hospital in terms of the city grant. These matters were discussed and settled at a meeting of the hospital board held Saturday.

G. B. Hull is to take up his station in Prince Rupert as resident engineer for the Dominion government. This announcement was made by Mr. Clements in his Saturday night address.

Dr. Alfred Thompson, M. P., will be entertained at a Canadian Club luncheon tomorrow in the Central Hotel from 1 to 2 p. m. This entertainment is the forerunner of others during the season.

William Henderson of the Department of Public Works took over formally the quarantine station at Digby Island for the government. A caretaker will be appointed.

All location of space for departments was made for the new post office building and the old office will probably be vacated this week.

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Best meal in town at Savoy.

### PRINCE RUPERT TWENTY MINUTES AGO

Queue begins to form for City Council meeting tonight. Enthusiasts bringing camp stool and lunch. Finance Minister has the verbal knockout so perfect now that the echo of it nearly winds him. Promise of having the post office pretty soon uptown awakens an anthem of praise from citizens. Feeding time at Prince Rupert's new park zoo attracted large crowd of youngsters. Merely Mabel says that Sir Isaac Newton discovered the law of gravity with an apple, but Sam may learn it from a lemon.

### Important Announcement

For the convenience of our patrons we have arranged to open the advance sale of reserved seats for the forthcoming engagement of the

**May Roberts Company**  
OPENING FRIDAY, MAY 24th  
**AT THE EMPRESS THEATRE**

on Tuesday, May 21st at 9 a.m. in the Theatre Office (basement) when reserved seats for any special performance or the entire season may be secured. . . . The coming engagement of Miss Roberts is the most important theatrical event in the history of Prince Rupert and the advance sale will be very large, therefore we earnestly request our patrons to call and make their reservations as early as possible, or if more convenient, orders may be telephoned in.

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