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MANY DROWNED IN DISASTROUS ONTARIO STORM

BULGARIA APPROACHED BY TURKEY WITH PROPOSALS OF PEACE; FEAR CHOLERA OUTBREAK

BOAT FOUNDERS IN BIG STORM

Mayflower Sinks Near Barry's Bay, Ontario With Eleven Persons ---Sprang Leak, Filled and Foundered

(Special to Daily News.)
Ottawa, Nov. 15.—The Department of Marine and Fisheries will conduct an investigation into the sinking of the steamer Mayflower near Barry's Bay, Ont., on Tuesday with a terrible loss of life. Owing to the heavy snow storm prevailing for the past few days navigation is greatly impeded.

Ottawa, Nov. 13. — (Delayed telegraph.)—The steamer Mayflower, which left Barry's Bay,

Renfrew County, last night for Combermere, sixteen miles distant on the Madawaska River, has foundered or wrecked and all those on board, eleven persons, are believed to be drowned.

Ottawa, Nov. 14.—Three commercial travellers have been washed ashore from the Mayflower and were rescued. They are Messrs. Harper, Beverly and McLach, all of Ottawa. They say that the boat sprang a leak and sank in the darkness. Several bodies have been recovered.

LOCAL NEWS ITEMS

W. Clarke Durant, superintendent of the Prince Rupert Hydro Electric Co., Ltd., went south on a business visit this morning on the Prince Rupert.

A. W. Agnew, of the firm of Ritchie & Agnew, civil engineers and surveyors, of this city, went south this morning on the Prince Rupert.

Archie McDougall, the well known railroad contractor, at present operating upon the excavations for the G. T. P. terminals in this city, was a passenger south this morning on the Prince Rupert on a short business trip.

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LIBERALS ARE IN CONVENTION

District Delegates Meet in K. of P. Hall to Transact Business—Discuss Plans of Party.

A well attended meeting of the Liberals of Prince Rupert and Skeena district was held this morning in the Knights of Pythias hall for the transaction of general business. A large number of delegates from outside districts were in attendance. The meeting was addressed by James Conley, Liberal organizer, who gave an interesting account of the work that is being done in the southern part of the province, his address indicating clearly that Liberalism in British Columbia is very much alive. The reports of the delegates from outside points were most encouraging. Plans were laid for strengthening the ranks of the party throughout this district, and there is every probability that the Liberals of Skeena district will make a splendid showing in the next election campaign.

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TAFT ANNOUNCES CANAL RATES

No Reference Made to British Protest Against Freedom of United States Coastwise Shipping in President's Message

LOCAL NEWS ITEMS

W. W. Davis, one of the most popular of the local bank boys, a nephew of Col. W. Mahlon Davis, late city engineer, who has been a member of the staff of the branch of the Bank of Commerce here for a considerable time, went south on the Prince Rupert this morning, having received orders to report at Vancouver at once at headquarters, when he will be transferred to another branch according to the inexorable laws of banking institutions. Mr. Davis, who was extremely popular here, will be much missed by his numerous friends, a crowd of whom were on the wharf this morning to bid him goodby.

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(Special to Daily News.)
Washington, D. C., Nov. 13.—President Taft today issued a proclamation announcing the rates to be charged foreign ships passing through the Panama Canal, which will be as follows: Merchant ships carrying passengers or cargo, \$1.20 net vessel ton, each 100 feet of actual carrying capacity. (2) Vessels travelling in ballast only, without either passengers or cargo, 40 per cent. less than toll rates of vessels with either passengers or cargo. (3) Naval vessels other

than transports, colliers, hospital ships, supply ships, \$1.20 a ton. American coastwise vessels exempt from payment of tolls by act of Congress. It is this provision of the act that Great Britain diplomatically protested, but no reference to this fact was mentioned in the President's proclamation.

Basketball.

Doubleheader—Tigers v. Royals; Callies v. Crescents, at the auditorium, Friday, November 15. Game called at 8 o'clock sharp. Admission 25c. 269

TURKEY AND BULGARIA ARE NEGOTIATING PEACE TERMS

FEAR OF CHOLERA HAS MUCH TO DO WITH PROPOSED TERMS OF PEACE—AWFUL SLAUGHTER—RUSSIA FAVORSSERIA.

(Special to Daily News.)
London, Nov. 14.—Turkey has formally appealed to Bulgaria thus forestalling the tardy action of the powers. No armistice had been concluded as difficulties have arisen over the terms of peace. Bulgaria, it is said, demands the evacuation of Adrianople, Scutari and Monastir as a condition of Turkey agreeing to the armistice. The negotiations are continuing. The censorship is again very rigid and it is hard to get any correct news.

The fall of Adrianople is rumored from both Servian and Turkish sources, but this is unconfirmed. Should an attack be made on Monastir the Turks are not expected to offer a strong resistance to the combined Servian and Greek armies and it will likely fall.

A report places the figure of lost and wounded during the war at a larger aggregate than was anticipated. The Bulgarian loss of killed and wounded number between sixty and eighty thousand out of a total of 320,000 men engaged. It is thought that

the fear of cholera may induce Bulgaria to consent to peace.

Russia is in favor of Servia's claim to an Adriatic port.

MINISTER KILLED

Premier of Spain Assassinated by Anarchist — King Is Heart Broken.

(Special to Daily News.)
Madrid, Nov. 13.—Today Spain mourns the loss of her strongest and greatest statesman. The whole nation is plunged into consternation through the assassination of Premier Canalejas at the hands of an anarchist. King Alfonso, who was one of the first to hear of the murder, regardless of everything dashed off unguarded to the ministry of the interior, where the body was lying, and prostrated himself over the remains. The assassin, who after committing the deed shot himself, still lives and it is probable that he will recover.

Shoots Mother.

Philadelphia, Nov. 13.—Mistaking her mother for a burglar in quest of her jewel chest, Miss Myers shot and instantly killed the former on a train en route to New York, whence mother and daughter were repairing in order to purchase the latter's wedding trousseau. The tragedy occurred in a sleeping car. Mrs. Myers being upon the point of returning to the berth after going for a drink of water.

Liberals Won't Contest.

Montreal, Nov. 13.—The Hochelaga Liberals, following the advice of Sir Wilfrid Laurier, will not participate in the by-election contest.

LOCAL JOTTINGS

Best room in town at Savoy.

Ralph Smith and Duncan Ross returned to Vancouver this morning on the Prince Rupert.

Cy. Peck was a passenger on the Prince Rupert this morning going south on a short business visit.

George Stewart, of the firm of Stuart & Stewart, accountants, of this city, left for Vancouver and Victoria on the Prince Rupert this morning.

P. I. Palmer, manager of the Prince Rupert Planing Mills, was a passenger going south this morning on the Prince Rupert on a hurried business trip.

CROWDED HOUSE HEARS RALPH SMITH AND DUNCAN ROSS DISCUSS POLITICS

Naval Question and Reciprocal Trade Discussed at Westholme Theatre Last Night---Rain Does Not Hinder Large Crowd---Excellent Speeches.

In spite of the heaviest downpour of rain for months, the Westholme Opera House was packed last night to hear Messrs. Ralph Smith, Duncan Ross and Jas. Conley discuss the live issues of the day in Canadian politics.

Mr. Alex. M. Manson, the chairman of the meeting, in introducing the speakers of the evening referred to the value of discussing the pertinent questions of politics during the recess between elections as well as during the heat of a campaign, and made pleasing reference to the manner in which both Liberals and Conservatives were doing this throughout the Dominion of Canada.

Mr. Conley was introduced and after a brief reference to the lack of an adequate opposition at Victoria creating a condition of affairs that was peculiar and uncommon, giving almost autocratic powers to one man, he delivered a fine address on Imperialism. He explained the Australian naval policy of strengthening the Empire, by the establishment of a fleet for the protection of her trade routes. Sir Wilfrid Laurier, said Mr. Conley, was the truest Imperialist in the Empire. He was the first to offer Britain a preferential tariff.

After jocularly referring to the presence of Mr. William Manson in the House, and his efforts to lead him in the right road and guide his feet on to the straight and narrow path of Liberalism, Mr. Ralph Smith won the hearts of the ladies by declaring himself in favor of woman's suffrage. Twelve years ago he had fathered a bill in the local house to enfranchise women, but it was defeated, and whenever he had an opportunity he would strike a blow for female suffrage.

The methods which were employed by the Conservatives to gain power would in five years prove a catastrophe to that party was Mr. Smith's prediction, which was greeted with applause.

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At the present time, he said, Brit-

ish Columbia was in the hands of an autocrat. Power in the hands of one man, were he an angel, was not good for that man and was dangerous to the best interests of the country. It was not Sir Richard McBride who was to blame for this condition of affairs, but the electorate of British Columbia who had created a rule of the council and practically supplied them with thirty-five rubber stamps in place of legislators. He pleaded for one member at least of the Conservative party to prove himself man enough, if he saw where criticism would benefit the legislation of the government, to criticize it in the interests of the welfare of the province, even if he had to sacrifice some of the luxury of the government's patronage.

The Liberals last election had no thought of going into power, but they were of the opinion that the people of British Columbia were interested enough in the affairs of the province to provide for an opposition of at least half a dozen members. He contrasted at length the action of Sir Wilfrid Laurier in providing for the payment of the leader of the opposition at the same rate as the cabinet ministers that Canada might have a strong opposition, and the action of Sir Richard

McBride in asking for a unanimous government.

The fourteen months that Borden had been in power only demonstrated that the policies of Sir Wilfrid Laurier were the correct ones. Only ten days ago the United States elected Wilson president as a direct protest against a high protective tariff.

In England, he continued, he had been a free trader, but free trade would not work in Canada just yet, but reciprocity was something that was going to be of material benefit to both countries concerned.

In all the time that reciprocity had been discussed he had never heard a single argument of any consequence put forth against it, but had witnessed much flag waving. According to the latest reports of trade in Canada, 65 per cent. of the imports were coming from the Old Country? No. From the United States, and only 22 per cent. were being imported from Great Britain. The report showed that under the Tory government, who was going to have no truck or trade with the Yankees, the imports from that country had increased 5 per cent. as against 2 per cent. with Great Britain, and surely this was not consistent with the pre-election speeches. The Tories had not been in power three months until Foster was negotiating with the Washington authorities for an alleviation of the grain blockade. We are not independent of the United States.

British Columbia alone imported about fifteen million dollars' worth of produce each year, on which the consumer paid a tax. The cry of "no trade or truck with the Yankees" was absurd, said Mr. Smith, and he pointed out that when the government wanted a park superintendent they got him from the United States and paid him the highest salary of any official in Canada next to the governor general.

Thirty members were sitting in the House at Ottawa from the

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FRIDAY, NOV. 15

Editorial Notes and Clippings

THE BONDS
OF EMPIRE.

The way in which the people of Prince Rupert turned out last night in the downpouring rain to listen to Messrs. Ralph Smith and Duncan Ross discuss the issues of the day in Canadian politics is an evidence of the interest which is being taken in the affairs of the country. And while some may not agree with the speakers, all will admit that it would better had we more such meetings during the recesses between election that the electors might have an opportunity of hearing questions discussed which are of vital interest to Canada.

The naval question was the chief topic of the evening. This is a matter on which the electors no doubt will be called to cast a ballot in the not very distant future, and the advice given of calmly considering the question with a view to the best interests of Canada and the Empire and the warning against a repetition of the stampede methods employed with such success by the Tory party last election is a good one. As pointed out, the government of the Mother Country has never yet asked for a contribution and her naval experts have repeatedly asserted that the manner in which the colonies can best aid and strengthen the bond of empire is to protect their own shores and trade.

Loyalty to the Empire is something stronger than mere lip expressions and the greatest insult to a Canadian, or any British subject, is to tell him

A FELLOW
FEELING.

Sir Richard McBride at Ottawa stated in an interview yesterday that even he had been disappointed because Sir Wilfrid Laurier has not seen fit to declare himself on the question of an emergency contribution. Sir Richard is too impatient to await the announcement of the Borden policy, which must be made in less than a fortnight. We hope Sir Richard's annoyance at the necessity for waiting so long to hear Sir Wilfrid's stand will teach him how to sympathize with the people of Victoria who have been waiting two years to hear what is to be done with the Songhees Reserve. The fellow feeling should make Sir Richard wondrous kind.—Victoria Times.

The government is now faced with three possible courses. The cabinet can resign, it can drop the home rule bill or it can bring forward a motion to recommit the bill and obtain the opinion of the full House after it has given due notice of its intention to do so.

A government official said that the government would not resign, and the general opinion is that it will move for the reconsideration of the bill. The division was unexpected and occurred on Monday, when many of the supporters of the government had not returned from their week-end vacations.

Premier Asquith, when he came in, quietly announced that the sitting would be adjourned. Snap divisions during the meetings of the committees of the House of Commons are frequent, although this is the first experience of the kind of the present government.

Rt. Hon. Arthur J. Balfour, when he was premier, suffered in this way several times during his last parliament.

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Crowded House Hears Ralph Smith

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province of Ontario because of a religious cry. Sir Wilfrid Laurier had been assailed because he was a Roman Catholic and his policy in regard to the Ne Temere decree was one that the highest court in the Empire had upheld.

The duty on rough lumber, Mr. Smith declared, was an injustice to the poor settlers in a country where lumber could be produced so cheap. The tax was to protect a few manufacturers. The interests were running the government.

In speaking of the naval question, he said Sir Wilfrid Laurier had established the principle of a Canadian navy. What was needed was a Canadian navy built in Canadian yards by Canadian workmen and manned with a Canadian crew. The colony that does best for the Empire is the colony which is able to protect itself. The thing that helps the Empire is the absolute freedom within the Empire to manage and conduct their own affairs.

The man who does his duty is the man who does not stand about on the corners parading his loyalty or religion, such needs to be watched.

In concluding, Mr. Smith made an impassioned appeal to strengthen the outposts of the Empire and so protect it.

Mr. Duncan Ross dealt chiefly with the naval question in his straightforward, clean cut speech. He drew attention to the tremendous strides made by the German navy in the past fifteen years until today the German navy is a serious menace to the peace of Great Britain. When Sir Wilfrid Laurier was in power the House had unanimously passed a resolution endorsing the establishment of a Canadian navy, and depreciating the value of a cash contribution. The government had started the construction of a navy, but following the lead of Henri Bourassa the Tories had now changed. He challenged the Tories to point out one utterance of a British statesman or naval expert advocating a cash contribution by any British country. Sir Charles Tupper had characterized a cash contribution as dangerous.

Mr. Ross pointed out inconsistencies in the Tory attitude of today with former utterances.

It is Canada's duty to build her own navy. The emergency, according to Captain Clive Phillips-Wooley, the head of the B. C. Naval League, had existed for ten years. How long was it going to last? It was only fifteen years since Germany began to build ships and surely Canada with her resources could do much in five or six years.

Prince Rupert would probably benefit more by the building of a Canadian navy than any other city in Canada. The great dry dock at Bays Cove was an evidence of the Laurier naval policy. After referring to the fact that a great ship building trade could not be built with a high tariff, Mr. Ross concluded.

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Miss Rita Macdonald won the gold prize for children at the Majestic Theatre last evening. There was a packed house and the pictures were excellent.

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NEWS NOTES OF THE GREAT WEST

In Calgary the \$2,400 prizes offered by the C. P. R. department of natural resources to increase tree planting in Southern Alberta is drawing many farmers. The announcement has scarcely had time to get to the farmers, yet already there are fifty entries. One farmer at Bassano ordered 8,000 trees, half of which are supplied free by the C. P. R. and the other half at a minimum charge.

In High River the mixed farming special train run by the Canadian Pacific met with great success. Four hundred were present. Similar successes were met with at Magrath, Cardston, Sterling and Carmangay. About 500 turned out at each place, and the speakers were hardly able to leave subjects for questions.

In Vancouver the C. P. R. industrial spur track is being built without delay. The October stamp sale amounted to over \$41,000, being an increase over October last year of 25 per cent.

In Saskatoon excavations are under way for a \$60,000 furniture company building. The footings will be put in during the fall and work rushed to completion in July next year.

SURVEYORS GO BACK TO U.S.

Returning from a two months' visit to Alaska, a party of United States government engineers arrived in the city Wednesday afternoon on the steamer Spokane and are remaining here until this morning before proceeding on their journey on the Prince Rupert to the south.

The members of the party are Major Morrow, of the U. S. army engineering department; Commander Cox, of the U. S. navy; C. Ingersoll, a New York engineer; and A. H. Brooks, of the United States geological survey, who is the mining expert of the party. The latter gentleman is one of the best posted men in Alaska and the Yukon, having travelled over the country of the frozen north for a number of years, dating back to the days of the early gold rush.

The object of this engineer's visit to Alaska at this time, has been to make a thorough examination and gather data to place before the department at Washington, D. C., as to the future railroad needs of this wealthy and outlying portion of the great republic.

Yesterday as the guests of Mr. W. C. C. Mehan, general superintendent of the G.T.P., the party made a trip up the line, as far as was possible, being obliged to return in time to connect with the boat going south this morning.

It is the aim of the party to obtain all information possible as to the workings of the railroads on this side of the International line, so as to aid them in their conclusions to be embodied in reports to be placed before Congress in the near future.

Cut in Two.

Take a look at our bargain counters and see the price of shoes. Regular \$4 to \$5.50 now \$2.50. Scott, Froud & Co.

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The handsome massive silver challenge cup presented by L. J. Marren for competition by the Prince Rupert Basket Ball League this winter, is on exhibition in the window of Orme's drug store.

Best room in town at the Savoy.

NOTICE.

In the Matter of the Companies Act and in the Matter of Sloan & Company, Limited.

TAKE NOTICE that an application will be made to the Registrar of Joint Stock Companies after the expiration of one month from the date of the first publication of this notice, for leave to change the name of the above company from "Sloan & Company, Limited," to "Bryant Company, Limited."

Dated the first day of November, A. D. 1912.

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