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CONSERVATIVES NOW WORSE SPLIT THAN EVER

THEY GOT AFTER THE CITY CLERK

But Ald. Morrissey Resented Their Action, and the Watchful Public Vigorously Applauded—City Clerk Was Sick and Stayed Off.

City Clerk Woods was absent from duty yesterday, owing to indisposition. Alderman Bullock-Webster enquired at the council board whether he had explained his reasons for absence. Acting Mayor Douglas replied that so far Mr. Woods had not explained and mentioned incidentally that Mr. Woods' absence had been an inconvenience. He left it to the City Clerk to explain. Mr. Woods explained to the effect stated. Alderman Morrissey very firmly protested that it was most discourteous to Mr. Woods thus practically to reprimand him before the public in open council. Not only had Mr. Woods been ill, but his wife was only now recovering from serious illness. It was most unfair to catch up Mr. Woods thus over a single apparent slip. The public present in the hall applauded vigorously. "I agree with you, Alderman Morrissey," said Acting Mayor Douglas.

NEWTON NOT OMNIPOTENT

Council Refused to Stand for His Verbal Annulment of the Manson Procedure Bylaw—Clayton Emphatic Last Night.

Last night Alderman Montgomery endeavored without notice to introduce a motion. "You can't do that," said the Acting Mayor firmly. "It's against the Procedure bylaw." "Oh, but Mayor Newton quashed that long ago," put in Alderman Morrissey. "Neither Mayor Newton nor any other mayor, but the Council can quash anything of that kind," said Alderman Clayton. "While I agree with Mayor Newton on this point, I consider all the rest of the bylaw good, and this or any part of it can only be annulled by the Council."

MISSING MAYOR

Not Even Name of Newton Heard Below—He Has Vanished.

Acting Mayor Douglas last night announced in reply to a question that he had had no word black or white from the Mayor since he departed for the south with the City Solicitor. While Alderman Clayton was suggesting that a tracer be sent after the missing mayor, Alderman Montgomery noted the fact that judging from newspaper indications in the south Prince Rupert's mayor is traveling incognito under a Scotch name generally associated with royalty.

Heat City Hall.

Tenders are to be called at once for the low pressure steam heating of the new city hall. An estimated cost of about \$2,300 was quoted by the architect, Mr. Potter, for the work.

For sale—Soda fountain and all appurtenances. C. H. Orme, if

PRINCE RUPERT TWENTY MINUTES AGO

Still no word from our incognito mayor. City Clerk hails his free phone with restricted admiration. John Munnis asks M. J. McNeill if he has anything doing yet. Twenty minutes ago Prince Rupert Conservatives were still split. Fire Chief McDonald modestly tries to hide his splendid record. Property holders still patiently await William Manson's reply to their telegram. "Peacemaker" Wadman has to report "Progressives, not progress."

CITY HALL EXODUS

Date Fixed for 26th—City Fathers for Fire Hall.

The City Engineer has recommended that the city hall staff and Council remove to the new fire hall, as the new city hall cannot be ready until April. Col. Davis recommends that the moving take place on and after the 26th inst., as the building will be painted by then.

CITY PLUMBING REGULATIONS

Master Plumbers Desire Amendment of Bylaw—Building Bylaw at Present Under Reconsideration Covers Matter.

A petition from the master plumbers of Prince Rupert requesting that the bylaw relating to city plumbing be looked into with a view to amendment to suit local conditions was read at last night's council meeting. The matter is held over pending the full discussion of the Building bylaw, which includes this matter. City Engineer Davis made the statement that the bylaw, which is now under reconstruction, will be ready probably by next council meeting.

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IMPROVE SIXTH AVENUE

Money to Be Devoted to Scheme Whenever Possible.

City Engineer Davis has recommended in favor of the grading of Sixth avenue, as petitioned for by William Angle and others during fully a year or more. The petitioners desired to have the work done by local improvement scheme, and last night Mr. Angle suggested that part of Fulton street also might come in on it, making a valuable improvement. Decision was come to in council to adopt the Engineer's report and grant the necessary money when available for this local improvement.

CITY CLERK TO GET FREE PHONE

Modern Convenience Will Be Thrust Upon Mr. Woods so That City Fathers May Get Him at His Own Fireside.

Some time ago the City Council passed a resolution doing away with the free phone system for city officials. Mr. Woods, formerly on the free phone list, heaved a sigh of relief and hung up the receiver for good. His phone was after a time removed. "I don't want a phone; it's a nuisance," said Mr. Woods. But the other night the City Council knocked a hole in their former resolution and presented a free phone to the Salvation Army. Then Mr. Woods was ill and nobody could get at him to know where he was or why he wasn't on duty. The result is that last night the Council handed out another free phone to Mr. Woods. Alderman Bullock-Webster doesn't see where it's going to end, but all the same Mr. Woods will have to accept the civic favor.

WHITE SCORES G. T. P. FINANCE

Declares Manner of Construction of Transcontinental Costliest Blunder Since Confederation—Only One Commissioner Now.

(Canadian Press Despatch.) Ottawa, Feb. 20.—After nearly an all-day debate Premier Borden's bill to reduce the national transcontinental commissioners to one was carried. W. T. White, finance minister, during the debate said the manner in which construction was carried on involving enormous cost was the greatest blunder since confederation.

PRESENT INDICATIONS ARE PROGRESSIVES ARE WINNERS

Raw Deal Put up by Peace Agent Wadhams and the Old Guard Strenuously Denounced at Meeting Held Last Night

ALLEGED TAIL NOW WAGGING THE DOG

In the Repudiated Agreement Care Was Taken to Select Such Men to be Added to the Executive Committee as Were Certain to be Out of Town When the Forthcoming Campaign for the Return of the "Two-Man" Government Was Under Way

Mr. H. E. Wadhams, the special whipper-in and personal heeler of Premier McBride, was roaring and tearing around in great excitement this morning, and until the time we got to press was making excellent time but winning no good results to report to his employer, McBride. For the Progressive Conservatives stand staunch and true to the repudiation meeting of last evening. The situation will take on a humorous aspect if the Trombone comes out tomorrow morning with the same heading it had this morning, "United Party Is Ready for the Fray."

The old Conservative party is undoubtedly beaten out of its boots. The Progressives at their repudiation meeting last night had from fifty to sixty representative men of the city, who unanimously denounced the machine made agreement of last week turning them over bodily, or rather putting them entirely out of political existence, without giving them a chance to vote on it.

The said agreement came in for some hot shots. There were some hot speeches that the old Conservative body was responsible for the split and the formation of the new; that the new body had shown its energy and influence in winning the battle for the first appointments to be made in the city since its formation; that the old party should have come to them and asked to be admitted and not impudently seek to gobble them up while in the first flush of their political victory.

NOT ANSWERED YET

Government Telegraph. Feb. 12th, 1912.

To Wm. Manson, M. L. A., Legislative Assembly, Victoria, B. C.

Property owners' meeting assembled urge you make emphatic request for early completion of Government wharf. When here Deputy Commissioner expected completion last December. Signed: David H. Hays, Gibson, Gamble, Baker, Brown, Thompson, Kincaid, Christie, McRae, Crew, Kistick, Edge, Parkin, Flexman, Enderick, Naden, committee.

CITY CONTRACTS WERE AWARDED

Tenders for Painting Fire Hall and for Electric Wiring of City Hall Opened and Dealt With

Contract for painting the new fire hall was awarded last night to E. Cole as lowest bidder for the work. Mr. Cole's bid was \$379. Other bidders were White & Conant, \$483; A. W. Edge Co., \$425; C. H. Cutting, \$416, and Silver-sides Bros., \$534. For the electric wiring of the new city hall the contract goes to D. Brown, whose bid is \$210. Other tenderers were W. R. Love, \$270, and the Parkin-Ward Co., \$287.

MORE LABOR LEADERS

Two New Arrests for Complicity in Dynamite Plot.

(Special to Daily News.) Los Angeles, Feb. 19.—Tveit-moe and Clancy, prominent coast labor leaders, were arrested today on Indianapolis indictments charging them with being concerned in the dynamite conspiracy.

HOT SUBJECT IS UP AGAIN

Question of Whether or Not M. M. Stephens Tapped the Juice Brought Up in Council Again—Waits Solicitor's Return.

Once more the question of the alleged tapping of the city electric current by M. M. Stephens has come up in council. Alderman Montgomery last night demanded the clearing up of the matter at an early date and in open council. He did not desire to see any whitewashing of the matter by the Council, neither did he wish to see any ill founded charge left in an unsatisfactory stage to any party. It was shown by Mr. Matthews that the matter still rests in the hands of the City Solicitor, who is absent at present in Victoria. On his return it will be further investigated.

REDUCED BY ONE

Engineer's Department Not Over-Staffed, Says to Committee.

Only one member of the City Engineer's staff is likely to find his services surplus under the new regime. Last night the City Engineer reported that there is work for all but one, and the personnel of the staff remains practically the same as it was. The duties of the building inspector and superintendent of public works, who were dispensed with, now fall upon the Engineer's department, making extra work which keeps two men busy.

MANY DOGS ARE DISAPPEARING

Suspicion Aroused Among Owners That an Expert Dog Thief Is Working Prince Rupert—Blame Demand for Sledgers Up River.

Seven dogs from the puppy stage upward have mysteriously vanished in Prince Rupert since Saturday. The owners are searching the city and asking around in vain for them. Three of them are advertised for, the latest being the famous little black collie "Toodles," well known around the Empress Hotel and bred from the steady old sledge "Nellie" of News Office fame. "Toodles" disappeared, chain and all, leading to the suspicion of theft.

Two other collie pups have disappeared from the Drexel Rooms in the same mysterious way, and yesterday Bob Ritchie was hunting high and low for two handsome reddish dogs, young and in good condition, which had also vanished. Others are reported missing, and amongst owners the news that there is to be a lot of dog teaming into the Groundhog district this season is regarded as significant.

Prince Rupert's dog population is a pretty big one, but the offense of dog stealing, if proved home to anyone, will be regarded seriously. Some of the vanished dogs are valued considerably, and their owners are sparing no pains to trace them.

Full Load of Passengers.

The steamer Curacoa came in at 11:30 this morning, bound for the north. She had a full list of passengers and of the forty Agent Rogers had booked here, some for the Sixty Mile stampede, none could be accommodated.

PROSPECTIVE PURCHASERS

Twenty-two Local Men Are Willing to Accept Onerous Position of Purchasing Agent at Reasonable Salaries.

Applications for the vacant post of city purchasing agent were opened at the City Council meeting last night, a proposal by Alderman Morrissey that the matter await the return of the Mayor being passed over. The final dealing with the appointment, however, will not take place until Thursday night, when the Council will sit in committee of the whole to go over the applications in detail and examine the credentials of applicants. Following is the list of applicants with the salaries they desire where mentioned:

Arthur Brooksbank, \$140; R. Ross, \$150; E. Flexman, \$150; A. J. Galland, \$125; W. J. Allan, \$150; A. Tattersfield, \$80; A. J. McLennan, \$125; H. H. Clarke, \$175; H. Titus, \$150; E. A. Mann, \$150; J. E. Jack, —; E. Steven, —; A. Thatcher, \$125; Walter Shaw, \$125; H. E. Gamp, —; John O'Brien, \$125; E. S. McKay, —; J. N. McLennan, M. C. Mustard, \$100, and J. F. Smith, —.

CITY GRANT TO THE HOSPITAL

Sum of Ten Thousand Dollars Guaranteed by Vote of Council Last Night—Proposal to Defer Vote Not Agreed To.

Last night the City Council gave their reply to the recently received hospital deputation which sought a grant of \$10,000 in aid of the erection of a new wing. The sum desired has been voted, it being felt by most of the Council that the cause is absolutely a good one and that the city's grant will strengthen Mr. William Manson's appeal to the Government for a similar grant. A motion by Alderman Bullock-Webster that the matter be deferred until the Mayor returns was not carried, and the idea expressed by Mayor Newton of having a plebiscite on the question came in for scant support, it being felt that the citizens are whole heartedly with the hospital cause.

FORTY YEARS AGO

Old Cariboo Pioneer Makes Long Delayed Trip to Outside.

(Special to Daily News.) Vancouver, Feb. 19.—James Cummins, Cariboo pioneer, made his first trip to the coast in forty years. He came from Ontario in '62 via the Isthmus of Panama, and New Westminster, and has remained in this province ever since. Once in fifty years, in the early eighties, he went to Ontario via the States for a visit, this being the only time he has left Cariboo district.

THREE MEN KILLED

Fearful Explosion Destroys a Great Pittsburg Foundry.

(Special to Daily News.) Pittsburg, Feb. 19.—Three men were killed and five injured when the new building of the Aetna Foundry Company collapsed, owing to an explosion. Tons of steel work were crumpled up like eggshell.

NOTICE.

A general meeting of the Prince Rupert Liberal Association will be held in the K. of P. Hall on Thursday eve., Feb. 22nd, at 8 p. m. An invitation is extended to all Liberals to be present. P. W. ANDERSON, Secretary.

NEW FAST FLEET IS PROPOSED FOR CANADA

Negotiations in Progress Between Atlantic Steamship Owners and Ottawa Government for Subsidized Line of Ocean Flyers

(Canadian Press Despatch.) Ottawa, Feb. 20.—Negotiations are in progress between the Government and Canadian and English steamship owners for the establishment of a fast Atlantic service. It is proposed to have the companies and the Government co-operate in having a fleet of six 24-knot steamers armed and protected, convertible into cruisers in time of war. The esti-

mated cost is about thirty millions, but most of the capital would come from Great Britain. The Canadian Government's interest would be in the form of an annual subsidy. With this fleet of swift steamers making rapid trips to and from the Old Country it is expected that the tide of immigration to Canada will be increased in line with the demands of the land for population. Each year,

sees additional steamers put on the Canadian traffic, and the amount of business from Canada to Britain in the way of holiday tourists homing for a spell to the old land. At present it is possible to interest British capital more easily in Canadian enterprises than in any other, and the promoters of the present gigantic scheme have already in sight funds and to spare for the carrying out of it.

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USE DOG TEAMS TO GROUNDHOG

British Columbia Anthracite Coal Outfit Start Getting in Supplies to Begin Development on Vast Coal Field.

During the week Frank Jackson of the B. C. Anthracite Coal, Ltd., despatched ten toboggans, loaded with tools and supplies, to the Groundhog Mountain coal fields, where the company has a large area of land, says the Omineca Miner. The valuable coal measures which have been uncovered by the prospecting operations of the last three seasons are to be developed scientifically, in accordance with plans recently prepared, and a crew of a dozen men will leave shortly to begin preliminary work. The river trail to Groundhog will be kept open as long as the tobogganing is good, as Mr. Jackson intends to use every available dog team for the transportation of supplies, in order that there may be no shortage before pack trains can reach the upper Skeena camp.

Convention of Liberals!

A convention of British Columbia Liberals will be held at O'Brien's Hall, Hastings street, Vancouver, on February 29th, 1912. Upon purchasing a first-class ticket to Vancouver via C. P. R. and obtaining at the time of purchase from the ticket agent a standard certificate, and upon the signing of this certificate by the Secretary of the Convention, the holder will be entitled to a return ticket at one-third the usual fare.

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All winter the men have been driving a tunnel on this vein and they are now in 105 feet. The vein at this point is a foot and a half wide and there is at least four inches of solid ore the same as the samples brought in. It was not expected that ore of this grade would be found in the Duke vein, so that the property is thus more promising than ever. The samples will be assayed as soon as Mr. McLeod or Mr. Smith can get hold of the assayer.

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NEARING THE ORE

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Silver Standard's New Manager.

W. S. Haskins, formerly superintendent of Nickel Plate mine at Rossland, arrived in New Hazelton last Wednesday and reported ready for his new duties as superintendent of the Silver Standard mine on Glen Mountain.

Aldermere is Booming.
Jack McNeil, the Aldermere merchant, was in town early in the week. He reports hotel accommodations taxed every day at the valley town, and says there is every indication that the coming season will be the busiest Aldermere has yet seen.—Omineca Miner.

To obtain representation at the Provincial Liberal convention in Vancouver on February 29th, the Liberal Association of Hazelton elected Duncan Ross and Frank McKinnon delegates.

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