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REPORT OF MAYOR PATTULLO ON HIS MISSION TO ENGLAND

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the Bank of Montreal there, and his immediate advice was that we were face to face with an impossible situation, which subsequent investigation confirmed.

We also had numerous consultations with Mr. Smithers of the Grand Trunk Pacific. Mr. Smithers further confirmed the advice already received, but at the same time promised us every assistance, and did, as a matter of fact, go so far as to offer, on behalf of the Grand Trunk Development Company, to join with the government in guaranteeing our bonds to meet the present emergency.

I cabled to Hon. Sir Richard McBride, the prime minister of the province, asking for the guarantee of a million dollars for five years, which would have been placed privately, but received a reply stating that my proposal could not be acceded to.

During our sojourn in London we had good opportunity to study carefully the situation at close quarters, and it may be said that the situation in London has hardly been so acute in many years. The Balkan situation was a source of constant irritation; there was a general uneasiness as to how the half yearly settlements would be met, and added to this was the uncertainty of the Rand strike, which, if unsettled, would have demoralized the London market.

To this general condition must be added the specific one of a distaste for Canadian municipalities at this time, due to a variety of reasons, and much aggravated by indiscreet remarks which had been made advising investors to leave Canadian municipalities severely alone.

A further depressing effect was that with few exceptions practically all Canadian municipalities had dropped in value, in some instances as much as ten points, while others were practically non-negotiable at any price.

Even under favorable conditions the situation would have been sufficiently difficult in view of the large number of undigested securities in the London market. The truth is that there have been more offerings than London, even under the best of conditions, could readily take care of, and when the general uneasiness is taken into consideration it is not surprising that the purse strings should be tightened.

Prince Rupert securities have suffered in common with other municipalities as well as specifically. It has happened that a considerable number of financial men in London have visited Vancouver and Victoria, but have not visited Prince Rupert, and their visit to Vancouver and Victoria did not, I am sorry to say, add to their good opinion of Prince Rupert. We were able to throw considerable enlightenment in this direction, with, I think, advantage all round; nevertheless the fact still remains that in considering municipal securities as a form of investment underwriters will the more readily handle securities of a city of 50,000 to 100,000 or more people than those of a city of 6,000 because the situation by reason of population calls for no explanations.

Every day issues are bought and sold in London the integrity of which, in my opinion, is on nothing like as solid foundations as Prince Rupert, yet the market will not look upon our debentures with the same degree of favor as upon the debentures of older and larger cities, a circumstance which we must realize and take means to adjust.

At the present moment an immense territory is being opened up in Northern British Columbia, of which Prince Rupert is the metropolis. Already in this present stage of development the southern portion of the province has profited in a commercial way by hundreds of thousands of dollars from Northern B. C., while the exchequer of the province has profited likewise by hundreds of thousands of dollars.

The government of the province has guaranteed terminal facilities in the southern cities, and also is assisting a joint sewer scheme. There can be no doubt that this assistance is given because it is thought necessary to do so in order to secure a larger and quicker development, as well as to protect the public health.

It is quite as essential that the government should come to the assistance of Prince Rupert in order that we may have at this time not boulevarded streets, parks, etc., but the essentials to do business at all—namely, sewers, water and traversible streets.

The position of Prince Rupert is entirely unique and the government as joint owners with the Grand Trunk of the townsite have a ver special interest at stake, as well as duty therein, and en-

tirely apart from the general principal of assistance it would seem to be the part of wisdom, as a business precaution, for the government to protect its own interests as well as those of the city at large.

Before I left Prince Rupert at all I asked the government to join with the Grand Trunk in guaranteeing our bonds. All that I have since learned accentuates not only the desirability but the necessity of this course. Here we are building the terminal of a great transcontinental railroad, compelled by force of circumstances, though having a population of only 6,000, to provide for a large city. Though only four years old we have not only been paying our own way, but have been assisting with large amounts the southern portion of the province. We are thoroughly capable of continuing to pay our own way, but it is not asking too much to request a guarantee which will enable us to secure the necessary finances to carry out urgent public works during this formative period in order that we may be in a position to properly take care of the people and trade which are certain to come here upon the completion of the railroad next year.

The building of a terminal such as Prince Rupert is extraordinary and ought to be met fairly on its merits and without timidity.

Having these things in view and knowing the situation as I do I interviewed Sir Richard McBride, the prime minister of the province, as Victoria.

I am pleased to say that the prime minister listened carefully to our representations, and not only did he appreciate the emergency of the situation but freely admitted the special claims of Prince Rupert.

At his request I submitted our requirements in writing, and he suggested that it would probably be necessary to send some one up here to look over the situation, with a view to verifying the urgency of our claims. Since returning to Prince Rupert I have received a telegram from Sir Richard McBride stating that Hon. W. R. Ross was leaving soon to look over the situation. It will take little argument to show Mr. Ross the necessities of the situation. For instance, take the matter of sewers. At the present time we cannot give connection in the business section, while many of the residential sections are entirely without sewer accommodation. It will take a year to instal the proposed trunks and another year to instal laterals under the best of conditions, and by that time our population will in all probability have doubled. How important it is therefore that this work should start immediately is at once patent. Practically all of the work outlined for the year is equally important.

Taking into consideration the amount of private and public works under way and contemplated, and with city work progressing, there is no reason why Prince Rupert should have a dull moment between now and the completion of the railroad, besides which government assistance will save the city many thousands of dollars when we pledge our securities.

In conclusion I am free to say that I believe our trip to London will be of provocative of much good. We were able to correct many misrepresentations in quarters of special value to the city, while we were fortunate in coming in contact with a considerable number of people whose influence and good will will be of distinct advantage to the city.

I have the honor to be, gentlemen, your obedient servant,

T. D. PATTULLO,

Mayor of Prince Rupert.

A motion to lay the report on the table for the present was carried.

LOCAL NEWS ITEMS

One of Prince Rupert's early citizens, O. M. Helgeson, now of Saskatoon, went south this morning on the Prince George after a few days' visit to his brother here.

Mrs. R. L. McIntosh invited the officers and members of St. Andrew's Woman's Auxiliary for tea on Thursday afternoon so that they might meet and say goodbye to their president, Mrs. Burch, who leaves on Monday with her husband, Rev. E. C. Burch, for the east. Mrs. McCoskie, the vice president, on behalf of the auxiliary, presented Mrs. Burch with a silver comport suitably engraved.

For Shushanna.

Mr. and Mrs. Pugh, who have been staying at the Savoy Hotel, will leave for the north this evening on the State of California. They have been getting outfitted for the trip right through to the Shushanna gold fields, where they both intend to go.

LOCAL NEWS ITEMS.

The City of Seattle will call here on her way south tomorrow.

The Camosun will call here on her way south tomorrow morning.

The State of California leaves for Alaska at 7 p. m. today.

Mrs. George Little of Terrace arrived in the city last evening.

Miss L. M. Ellett returned yesterday from Hazelton.

A. W. Agnew left this morning for a short trip to Vancouver.

Rev. Mr. Wright went south on the steamer Prince George this morning.

Sidney Billingham returned yesterday from a brief visit to Hazelton.

Mrs. L. J. Conkey and son left for Seattle this morning on the steamer Prince George.

M. Albert, of the Westholme Lumber Company, went south on the steamer Prince George this morning.

The next C. P. R. steamer from the south, the Princess Sophia, is late. She will not arrive till about 9 a. m. tomorrow.

Mr. Quinn, Dominion inspector of employment agencies, was a passenger southbound on the Prince George this morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Cliff Ford of England, who have been visiting here for a few days, left this morning on the steamer Prince George.

Bishop Du Vernet returned yesterday from Hazelton. Miss Du Vernet is staying with her brother Horace at Kitwanga.

H. H. Oleson of Terrace was brought in to the hospital yesterday. He has been seriously ill but now seems to be recovering rapidly.

As the steamer going north from here have been very crowded lately, half a dozen men bound for the Shushanna strike went south this morning on the Prince George to take ship direct from Seattle to the north. They will go in by the Cordova route.

Dr. Scharschmidt, Conservative organizer, and O. P. Gill, one of the delegates from Graham Island to the royal agricultural commission, leave tonight for Queen Charlotte. They will go over the trail from there to Queenstown and then to Masset and Tow Hill.

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Commission Appointed to Inquire Into Administration of Inland Revenue Department.

Ottawa, Aug. 11.—Charges of malfeasance in office, which have been brought against J. E. Miller, inspector of inland revenue for British Columbia, and L. B. Parkinson, collector of inland revenue at Vancouver, are to be inquired into. The investigation into the charges will be made by Henry Lalor, inspector of tobacco factories for the Dominion, and Dr. J. K. Barrett, district inspector of inland revenue for Manitoba district.

The order-in-council authorizing the inquiry, which appears in the Canada Gazette today, authorizes the joint commissioners to conduct an inquiry into matters pertaining to the administration of the affairs of the inland revenue department within the Province of British Columbia.

Mrs. Tozeland, wife of the Mr. Tozeland who is an engineer in the employ of Ritchie & Agnew, left by the steamer Prince George this morning. She is going to Chicago for a visit.

POLICE UNIFORMS.

Sealed tenders, marked "Uniforms," will be received by the undersigned up to 4 p. m. Friday, August 2nd, 1913, for the supply of six (6) uniforms for the Police Department, sample of cloth to be used to be submitted. Full particulars from Chief of Police. The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

ERNEST A. WOODS,
191-92 Clerk of Police Board.

WATER TANK FOR SALE.

Tenders will be received up to August 20th, 1913, for the purchase of a (estimated) 10,000 gallon water tank and sub-structure, which stands on the hospital grounds.

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LAND PURCHASE NOTICES.

Take notice that I, Charles H. Flood, occupation free miner, intend to apply to the Hon. Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase the following described land:

Commencing at a post planted at the northeast corner of A. P. L. reading Lot and Post 2232-3525, thence in a northerly direction along the shore of Hastings Arm 80 chains more or less to the Tac-U-An Indian reservation No. 26, thence in a westerly direction 40 chains, thence in a southerly direction 80 chains, thence easterly 40 chains to the point of commencement, containing 320 acres more or less.

Dated June 27th, 1913.
Pub. July 28, 1913—Sept. 22, 1913.

Take notice that I, William Macy, of Anyox, B. C., occupation caterer, intend to apply to the Hon. Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase the following described land:

Commencing at a post planted on the southeast corner of S. T. L. Lot and Post 3230-9530, thence southerly 20 chains along the shore of Goose Bay to S. T. L. Lot and Post reading 35280-9529, thence in a northerly direction 20 chains, thence east 20 chains to the point of commencement, containing 160 acres more or less.

Dated June 27th, 1913.
Pub. July 28, 1913—Sept. 22, 1913.

WATER ACT.

Notice of Application for the Approval of Plans and Petition for the Approval of Undertaking.

Take notice that the Port Essington Water Co., Ltd., will apply to the Comptroller of Water Rights for the approval of plans of the works to be constructed for the utilization of water from Cunningham Lake, which the applicant is by Water and use for municipal purposes. Application will also be made to the Hon. Minister of Lands for the approval of undertaking.

The plans and particulars required by sub-section 1 of Section 70 and the petition for approval of undertaking, as required by Section 89 of the Water Act as amended have been filed with the Comptroller of Water Rights at Victoria and with the Water Recorder at Prince Rupert, B. C.

Objections to the application or petition may be filed with the Comptroller of Water Rights, Parliament Buildings, Victoria, B. C., within 30 days from the date hereof.

Dated at Vancouver this 30th day of July, 1913.

PORT ESSINGTON WATER CO., LTD., Applicant.

W-Aug. 4-25 Wilson & Wheeler, Agents.

NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that meetings of the Provincial Agricultural Commission will be held at the following places:

Terrace, August 9th, 2:30 p. m.;
Prince Rupert, August 11th and 12th, 10 a. m.;
Hazelton, August 13th, 7:30 p. m.;
Aldermere, August 15th, 10 a. m.

The commission will hear evidence on all matters affecting agricultural conditions in the province.

All persons interested are requested to be present.

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IN CHAMBERS THE REFEREE, before JOSEPH WILLIAM GRAY, Plaintiff, vs. EMIL N. LING, Defendant.

Upon application of the Plaintiff and upon reading the affidavits of J. Jackson, and L. W. Patmore, filed herein, and the exhibits therein referred to, it is ordered that service of the writ of claim herein by mailing a copy of this order together with the writ attached thereto and a copy of the writ to the Defendant at his residence at "Winnipeg Post Office, in the Province of Manitoba, and by publishing said notice on the 20th day of August, 1913, in the "Daily News," a newspaper published at Prince Rupert in the Province of British Columbia, shall be good and sufficient notice of the said statement of claim upon the said Defendant.

It is further ordered that the said Defendant file his statement of defence before the 31st day of August, A. D. 1913.

And it is further ordered that the costs of this application shall be costs in the cause.

Dated at Winnipeg this 12th day of July, A. D. 1913.

GEORGE PATTERSON, Referee.

NOTICE.

To the Above Named Defendant.

Take notice that the Plaintiff's application for a writ of claim is a writ of claim for a declaration that a certain agreement for sale made between the Plaintiff and the Defendant, bearing date the 27th day of July, 1906, be cancelled, or in the alternative that a certain day be fixed for the payment by the Defendant to the Plaintiff of the sum of \$1,332.41 together with interest thereon from the 29th day of March, A. D. 1912, at the rate of six per cent. per annum, and a default of payment thereof, the said agreement may be cancelled and the money paid by the Defendant thereunder declared to be forfeited, and that your statement of defence, if any, is to be filed in the office of the Prothonotary at the court house in the City of Winnipeg, Province of Manitoba, on or before the 31st day of August, 1913, and that in default of judgment will be signed against you as prayed for in the said statement of claim.

Dated this 12th day of July, A. D. 1913.

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