

## CAN GOVERNMENT INCREASE MEMBERS FOR WEST

### POLICE RAIDED OPIUM JOINT AND CAPTURED INMATES—NEW STEAMSHIP LINE TO CALL HERE

#### ANOTHER STEAMBOAT LINE TO CALL AT PRINCE RUPERT

DIRECT LINE FROM PORTLAND, OREGON, TO RUPERT—THE  
PACIFIC STEAMSHIP CO. HAVE THREE BOATS ON LINE  
—WILL RUN OUTSIDE VANCOUVER ISLAND

The Daily Journal of Portland, Oregon, of March 4 has an announcement that the Pacific Steamship company have started a line of boats running from that city to Skagway. They will make a call at Rupert their only British Columbia call, taking the outside route from the mouth of the Columbia river to Dixon's entrance. From Rupert they will take the inside route to Alaska. This is the first direct line from Portland to Alaska since 1897. It is backed by many of the big business companies of the Pacific coast.

The first steamer to leave was the Thomas L. Wand, followed by the Quinault, and later by the J. B. Stetson. They will make the trip one week. The pilot on the Wand is Captain Jansen, who has the record of having made 183 trips to Alaska on the old Cottage City.

The Rupert call shows on the company's advertising, but the first two or three trips it will be passed up. The company anticipates getting considerable passenger and freight business for here as soon as the run is established.

#### ASIAN DECOLLETE TOO MUCH FOR QUEEN

Lady of England Refuses to Visit French Capital

Paris, March 10.—Queen Mary will not visit Paris with King George in April, it is learned, because she absolutely refuses to meet Paris society women wearing dresses characterized by "exaggerated decollete." She is unable to contract a diplomatic indisposition when King George is about to leave London. For a couple of months Lady Mary, wife of the British Ambassador here, has been hoping the fashion would change for the better, but after the fiasco at the opera this week, society leaders who cannot overlook on the occasion of a royal visit, all appeared in very low cut gowns, decollete and sandalled feet, she never would brave the ball at the embassy during the visit.

The embassy the conviction that in order to avoid contempt the Queen will not go to Paris at all.

#### Expects Mining Activity

W. Calhoun, a well known mining man of this district, came to the Prince George this morning. He is en route to the Bay and then to Alice Bay where he has valuable silicified prospects which he is having looked over. Mr. Calhoun has faith in the Alice Arm district and believes that the prospects there are going to develop some big mines. He finds investing public are beginning to enquire into mining activities now with the idea of getting in on the ground early, and it is likely to create much activity in the whole northern district.

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#### OVER 250 PASSENGERS ON PRINCE GEORGE

Popular G. T. P. Boat Added Much to the Population This Morning

The Prince George pulled in this morning with over 250 passengers aboard. There were 129 first-class and 140 deck. She also carried a lot of general freight.

L. L. Fish and wife, M. J. McGovern, F. A. De Lisle, Wm. McKay, Mr. Nichol, B. G. Baker, J. Haviland, D. R. Pace and wife, Sam Haley, T. Pace, Pat Killen, H. Laro, John A. Lever, K. C. Whitney, M. F. Johnson, J. Frost, Mrs. M. Balish, Miss K. Probst, Mrs. L. C. Harman, Miss Holbrook, J. L. Bethurin, Chas. Steele, Mr. Atwell and son, Mrs. Le Barr, Mr. Green, E. D. Harris, Mrs. See and child, Mr. See, B. B. Switzer, C. DeB. Green, E. B. Webster, H. W. James, F. C. James, L. Dutton, G. McFaun, Miss G. M. Davis, P. F. Lightfoot, T. Falcon, Master Falcon, Miss Falcon, Mrs. Falcon, Harry Smith, Jas. Smith, Mrs. Ada Smith, Mr. Gardener, Mr. McArdie, Mr. Beebe, Miss G. Haas, Mr. McNeill, Miss White, Miss Pearson, J. Cook and wife, F. J. Sullivan, Mrs. E. Fabner, E. M. Brandon, Mrs. Hunt, C. Harrison, C. Hatfield, Mr. Yes, L. N. Gregory, B. L. Tingley, F. R. Pennington, A. H. Walbridge, W. J. Ellerton, J. Bent, Miss I. Pow, Miss A. Pow, J. E. Foster, G. E. Isham, G. Brown, V. C. Young, F. S. Clements and wife, J. A. Johnson, H. Wiles, W. Poole, A. McIntosh, C. Murray, Miss B. Peterson, H. O. Barclay, George Elliott, J. W. Smart, M. A. Coleman, G. Fraser, W. Adair, H. Laidlaw and wife, Miss Griffith, L. Anderson, N. James, L. N. Tugwell, Mrs. Tugwell, F. T. Coppock, B. C. Coppock, W. Thorp and wife, A. L. Allison, W. R. Adams, R. T. Smith, Eddie Smith, R. G. Starchan, R. P. Grumwell, R. Blumberg, M. B. Hanafin, J. Anderson, Mrs. Silcox, Mrs. Owen and children, P. B. Gill, Miss Healy, Miss D. M. Reid, J. R. Graham, R. Reed, Miss Dora Sutherland, C. W. Calhoun, A. S. McDonald, Miss V. Harrington, R. McCutcheon, E. S. W. Gittney, J. Vielpe, P. Tiette, and Mr. Berry.

#### Free Milling Gold

One of the largest bodies of free milling gold ore that has come to notice recently is located about five miles up the Kitsumkalum lake, and right on the shore. It was discovered something over a year ago by Belway and McLaren, who have been prospecting it ever since. It is fully 400 feet wide and an assay taken across the face shows values of \$4.00 in gold and some copper. It carries a high-grade streak about twelve feet wide where the gold is plainly visible with the naked eye. Another discovery of very fine ore was made late last fall, which carries big gold values, by Mat Allard and some Vancouver parties. It is located about three miles from the lake. This field is expected to command considerable attention this summer.

J. Farrell of Foley, Welch & Stewart's office staff, is in town from New Hazelton. He will return to the interior in about a week.

#### RAIDED CHINA HOUSE CAPTURED SMOKERS

Pipes and Chinamen Appeared in Police Court This Morning

Two police officers made a raid on the King Tai China house off Fulton street last night. They found several Chinks smoking, some asleep, and others playing cards. Nine of them were captured and taken to jail, along with the pipes and opium. Most of them were let out on bail.

Seven of the boys appeared in court this morning and pleaded guilty. They were all fined \$10 to \$25 each. Some of the Chinamen are visitors from Georgetown.

#### STEAMER'S LIFEBELT HAD WONDERFUL DRIFT

Picked Up Off Prince of Wales Island—Travelled Forty Miles a Day

Vancouver, March 10.—As evidence of the strong tidal currents which prevail in the north Pacific, an instance is given by C. O. Julian, who returned Saturday from the north, of the wonderful drift of a life belt which was lost from the C. P. R. liner Empress of Russia about 800 miles out of Yokohama.

This belt was picked up inside of Cape Chacon, Prince of Wales Island, and is now on exhibition in Ketchikan. Investigation by the officials of the Canadian Pacific railway proved that, allowing for the buoy being picked up on the day reported, it travelled on an average of 40 miles per day.

The strong westerly gales which have prevailed, of course, would aid the set of the current. This drift surpasses any previous current velocity reported by the United States geodetic survey, which sets bottles adrift at regular intervals to ascertain the strength of the currents.

#### CITY SOLICITOR REPORTS ON VISIT TO VICTORIA

City Solicitor Peters turned in to the city council a lengthy report of his visit to Victoria. He said the Bank of Montreal had raised the question of the dating and signature on the treasury notes which they were to purchase from the city. The question is not yet settled. He had attended a meeting of the executive of the Union of Municipalities, which organization had asked the provincial government to hold over the new municipal act for another session. Being refused this they had endeavored to get a number of alterations made to the act. Some of these had been promised, but nothing definite would be known until the revised bill is received.

The question of fees for registering the lands granted to the city by the government and G. T. P. was taken up, and Hon. W. J. Bowser agreed to adjust this and refund the fees.

He found it was impossible to get an amendment which would entitle holders of agreements for sale a vote.

The report was filed.

#### Interdict Sent to Jail

John McDonald, an interdict who has given the police and others a lot of trouble by his taste for booze, was caught drunk again yesterday. This morning the police magistrate sent him to jail for fifteen days without the option of a fine.

#### Home Rule Bill

(Special to The Daily News)  
London, March 11.—The second reading of the home rule bill is fixed for March 30. It is almost certain there will be opposition and an amendment.

#### THE MAYOR'S "ITEMIZED" STATEMENT PRESENTED AT THE COUNCIL MEETING ON MONDAY NIGHT WAS A FARCE. ALMOST ONE HALF OF THE BILL WAS PUT IN AS INCIDENTALS. THAT'S JUST WHAT THE PEOPLE WANT TO KNOW ABOUT. EVERYBODY KNOWS WHAT A TICKET COSTS AND THE AMOUNT OF THE HOTEL BILL. WHY THIS EXTRA \$104? WHY SHOULD THE CITY PAY FOR HIS CIGARS AND THEATRE TICKETS. WHY NOT CARRY OUT THE RULE HE LAID DOWN FOR HIS PREDECESSOR? "HE THAT IS UNFAITHFUL IN LITTLE IS ALSO UNFAITHFUL IN MUCH." TROT OUT THE REST OF YOUR STATEMENT, SAM.

The Mayor's "itemized" statement presented at the Council meeting on Monday night was a farce. Almost one half of the bill was put in as incidentals. That's just what the people want to know about. Everybody knows what a ticket costs and the amount of the hotel bill. Why this extra \$104? Why should the city pay for his cigars and theatre tickets. Why not carry out the rule he laid down for his predecessor? "He that is unfaithful in little is also unfaithful in much." Trot out the rest of your statement, Sam.



W. E. HUME,  
Assistant principal of the Lansdowne school, Toronto, who showed great presence of mind in the way he handled the crowds of children in the school, which was destroyed almost as soon as the last pupil was out. Had it not been for his presence of mind, a great number of the pupils might have perished in the flames.

#### Cold Storage on Island

The Wallace Fisheries are putting in a small cold storage and ice plant at their Naden harbor cannery. The lumber and part of the plant is being taken over now on the steamer British Columbia. The plant will be used for chilling the mild-cured salmon put up by that plant. The spring salmon have been running big in the waters north of Graham island the past few years, and a good pack of mild-cured salmon is always assured. The company will make a specialty of this kind of packing at the Naden harbor cannery.

#### Emmeline on Strike

(Special to The Daily News)  
London, March 11.—Emmeline Pankhurst is once more a hunger-striking prisoner at Holloway jail, but is confident of securing her release in a few days under the cat and mouse law.

#### Wedding Bells

George E. Brown of this city was married last night to Miss Louisa Frank of Massett. The ceremony took place in the parlor of McLeod's rooming house on Second avenue and was performed by the Rev. Mr. Fortune.

"Be sure you do not give the public a wrong idea of the reason for getting the census," remarked an alderman to The Daily News this morning. "It is for the purpose of correcting a false impression that has got abroad as to the number of our population. We want an accurate report to show the actual population."

#### VANCOUVER MAN MISSING RESIDENT IN MEXICO

Not Heard of Since December—  
Wife Anxious and Asking  
for Search

(Special to The Daily News)  
Douglas, Ariz., March 11.—F. T. Cromwell, a mining man from Vancouver, B. C., disappeared at Sonora, Mexico, last December, according to a letter received from Mrs. Cromwell asking that a search be made for her husband. Cromwell was last seen at Tucson on December 26. He wrote his wife that he intended going to Sonora and would return January 1. He was never heard from since. Cromwell prominent in Vancouver about 18 months ago and was known to be wealthy. It is believed he made most of his money in the Philippines.

#### BANDITS ROB ROYAL BANK, ABBOTSFORD

Five Holdup Men Take \$2000 in Broad Daylight and Get Away

(Special to The Daily News)

Vancouver, March 10.—The Royal bank at Abbotsford, B. C., three miles north of Sumas on the international boundary line, was held up by five armed men, who were masked, a few minutes after opening this morning, and \$2000 in gold and currency was taken. After holding up the bank, the bandits ran south for the boundary line. Posses were organized immediately at Abbotsford and Sumas, and followed so closely that shots were exchanged before the robbers entered a bush there. The boundary line is being closely patrolled for several miles in the hope of catching the robbers.

One bandit remained outside while the four others entered. The cashier and clerk were the only persons in the building at the time. One of the bandits covered the cashier and another of them covered the clerk. The third robber seized the tray containing the gold and currency which had just been placed in the teller's cage. The quartette then ran out and joined their companions.

Meanwhile the alarm was given by an employee of the bank who was just returning to the institution. A squad of special police was quickly sworn in and armed within five minutes' time. The robbers made their getaway from the town with the pursuers after them, keeping the robbers still in sight.

At last reports a running revolver fight had occurred between the bandits and the squad which was pursuing them.

Two bloodhounds from the British Columbia penitentiary have been taken with a band of police from New Westminster to join in the search. The bandits are believed to be Montenegrins.

Vancouver, March 11.—All trace of the Abbotsford bank robbers is lost.

The local manager of the Royal bank at Abbotsford is well known in this city. He was formerly manager of the Royal bank at Port Essington before the branch was opened in Prince Rupert.

#### Baseball

Redlands, Cal., March 11.—Training camp game yesterday resulted as follows:

	R.	H.	E.
Los Angeles (Coast).....	6	11	3
Chicago Amer. No. 2.....	1	3	1
Marystown.....	3	1	1
San Francisco.....	1	2	1

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#### LEGAL BATTLE IN THE COMMONS MORE SENATORS FOR THE WEST

OPPOSITION SAY THIS REQUIRES CHANGE OF B. N. A. ACT—  
NOT YET SETTLED

(Special to The Daily News)

Ottawa, March 11.—Increased representation in the senate for the west as proposed by Mr. J. J. Carriek, and that the government place a bonus on iron ores mined and smelted in Canada, were topics which engaged the attention of the house yesterday.

A long legal argument arose over the bill to increase the Manitoba representation in the house by two. The opposition contended that neither in the

case of Manitoba nor British Columbia has the government power to add to the number of members in the upper house without securing an amendment to the British North America Act. The government contended the contrary. The matter will be the subject of more discussion later on. Resolutions relating to increases of representation for Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta were read a first time.

#### PLAN IMPROVED SERVICE ALONG NORTHERN COAST

Capt. Nicholson, Manager of G. T. P. Steamships, Back From Eastern Business Tour (Vancouver World.)

Captain C. H. Nicholson, manager of the G. T. P. steamship service, has just returned from a six weeks' trip to Montreal, Ottawa and other eastern points. The object of his trip was one of dual capacity, first to confer with the officials of the company, in Montreal, and secondly as a representative of the British Columbia Ship Owners' association. Asked, when seen by the World representative this morning, as to the future policy of the Grand Trunk Pacific, in the way of further augmenting their steamship service on the coast, Mr. Nicholson was non-committal. He stated that just at the present time the plans of the company were not matured regarding the same and that there was nothing to be given out.

"My trip east," he said, "was merely one pertaining to general business in the service for the coming year. I did, however, wait on the minister of trade and commerce and the postmaster-general, while in Ottawa, in connection with an increased service to the Queen Charlotte Islands. Mr. H. S. Clements, M. P. for Comox-Atlin, has also been very much interested in this matter. Heretofore we have only been giving the islands a weekly service during the summer season, and a fortnightly one in the winter. They ask for a weekly one the year round. To bring this about the company have asked that the federal government grant an increased subsidy, as we have found our present service scarcely a paying one.

"It was pointed out strongly the needs of these islands, which are enjoying the largest growth of any on the sound, this being particularly the case regarding Massett Inlet. The government has promised every consideration of the matter.

"As the representative of the British Columbia Ship Owners' association, of which I am a member," he stated, "I also interviewed the minister of marine and fisheries regarding the new rules pertaining to life-saving regulations. These the government have based on the result of the London conference. We felt it not only not a necessity, but also a hardship, that the coastwise service in protected waters such as we have should be called upon to provide the same regulations as ocean-going vessels. The minister pointed out that Canada had reserved the right at the conference to adjust these matters as applying to her own coasts. As a result, some of our requests were granted and we have been promised consideration on the others we asked for.

#### BRITISH TORIES WOULD CENSURE LLOYD GEORGE

(Special to The Daily News)

London, March 11.—The house of commons defeated a vote of censure on Lloyd George by 304 to 240. The resolution contemplated expressing regret for the repeated inaccuracies of the chancellor of the exchequer and his gross and unfounded attacks on individuals.

#### Doing Night Work

The railroad contractors are doing everything in their power to rush the completion of the grading work. Yesterday they sent a wire for 120 men to be sent up on this morning's train, and the gang was quickly organized. The men will be distributed among the different camps who are now working double shifts.

Port Edward's power plant machinery has arrived. 54tf

graphs, was the new system of radio-telegraph. One of the principal points that we recommended was to avoid if possible the carrying of two operators on coastal vessels. This will be arranged. A further point we asked for was that no regulations be enacted that would place the wireless operator beyond the control of the master of the vessel. The department conceded this point, as it is imperative that the captain of his vessel be superior in command and in a position at all times to censor an operator in the despatching of messages. This particularly should be the case in times of distress."

Questioned as to commercial and industrial conditions generally throughout eastern Canada, Mr. Nicholson stated that he had found them in eastern cities very much the same as here. He said, however, while real estate was a very dead issue, nevertheless there was a buoyant spirit prevailing and a gradual easing up in business circles.

#### WEST HOLME OPERA HOUSE

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