

THE DAILY NEWS

GRUNTY GRUNDY SAYS:

When we advertised Prince Rupert as the hottest city in Canada last week we should have touched wood.

PRINCE RUPERT, B.C., THURSDAY, MAY 14, 1914

PRICE FIVE CENTS

HALF BUSINESS HOUSES OF STEWART BURNED OUT

DOMINION A MINORITY PARTNER WITH MACKENZIE & MANN--ENQUIRY INTO DIGBY WHARF

LIBERAL LEADER DESCRIBES CONDITIONS IN NORTHERN B. C.

ADDRESSED LARGE AUDIENCE IN VICTORIA AND REPORTED ON HIS RECENT TRIP THROUGH CONSTITUENCIES OF THE NORTH

C. Brewster, the Liberal leader, last week addressed a big audience in the Liberal rooms at Victoria and reported his observations made on his recent trip to the coast to Prince Rupert through to Fort George. Making the audience briefly the ground traversed in the portion of the tour, Mr. Brewster described the conditions and the reception given to the doctrine as it was placed before the people. In the Bella Bella valley they had found a magnificent country, where for many years the hardy settlers had done all they could to make the conditions which hamper the change. The road work that district was found to be fifty per cent efficient, but there were other places where the money expended on roads and bridges. At this point the Liberal rail-

way policy of 1909 had proposed a line of railway to connect with the main line of the G. T. P., and of all the lines then projected this was the only one not undertaken and assisted by the government. Prince Rupert, at the end of the finest transcontinental railway in North America, had had a hard fight against the handicaps imposed upon it by the government. It had been brought into existence as a result of the far-sighted policy of Sir Wilfrid Laurier, fought by every Conservative member from this province, and it had never had a fair chance so far as the provincial government was concerned. When the citizens asked for a charter, Mr. Brewster said, and submitted one which they had been at considerable expense to have drafted, one which was adapted to the peculiar circum-

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HOTEL PRINCE RUPERT OPEN ABOUT JUNE 1

Material and Work of Big New House All Furnished Locally

"I still have the greatest confidence in Prince Rupert. In fact I have invested everything in this Hotel Prince Rupert and have induced several of my friends to also go in heavily."

This was the statement of Mr. Geo. W. Morrow, who says he has come to spend the rest of his lifetime in Prince Rupert, and he expects to live a long long time. Mr. Morrow and Mr. H. B. Rochester will be joint managers of the Hotel Prince Rupert, the handsome five-story brick building now nearly completed.

The new hotel will be ready about June 1. The plumbers will start work on the top floor next week. The contracts for the furnishings have all been let and are now being shipped.

One of the unique features of this fine modern building is that practically all the material was purchased from local business men and local mechanics have done practically all the work.

The work of fitting the bar will start next week. It is finished in mahogany, and the work is being done by the Prince Rupert Sash & Door factory.

THE RUPERT YOUTH

W. T. Donnelly one of the world's greatest dry dock engineers, points out the opportunities the big G. T. P. dock offers to the youth of Prince Rupert. With its capacity for handling an ocean liner and its equipment of the most modern machinery made, combined with the skilled labor employed, the young men of this city have a magnificent opportunity to learn the art of shipbuilding and qualify themselves to branch out into one of the world's big industries. Mr. Donnelly believes that many independent shipbuilders will spring up in Prince Rupert. The dry dock will be one of the biggest factors in the development of this country.

YESTERDAY'S BASEBALL

Northwestern
Spokane 3, Vancouver 2.
Victoria 4, Portland 2.
Seattle 4, Tacoma 1.
Coast
Portland 3, Venice 5.
Oakland 7, San Francisco 2.
Los Angeles 10, Sacramento 7.
National
Brooklyn 0, Chicago 6.
Boston 0, Cincinnati 1.
Philadelphia 2, St. Louis 2.
American
Chicago 9, Washington 2.

Typographical Union Election

The election of officers of Prince Rupert Typographical union was held yesterday and resulted as follows: President, A. E. Robb; vice-president, A. J. Gilmore; executive committee, Kemp, S. D. Macdonald and W. H. Peck; auditing committee, H. Potts and Kemp; sick and relief committee, D. McCorkindale, W. G. Dennis and Kemp; label committee, W. H. Peck, G. Russell and A. E. Robb; Trades and Labor council delegates, S. D. Macdonald, A. E. Robb and Kemp; sergeant-at-arms, K. L. Rauk.

Novel Game Tonight

There will be a novel basketball game in St. Andrew's Hall this evening. A picked team of the Ladies' Auxiliary players will meet a team from the Callies. The men will dress in hobble skirts as a handicap. The game starts at eight o'clock. It promises to furnish lots of fun.

Hosiery Sale

Children's Little Darling lamb's wool hose, 25c Friday and Saturday. Come in black, tan, pink, scarlet and cream. Sizes 4 to 7.—Demers.

ORDER-IN-COUNCIL DISCUSSED BY B. OF T.

Fishermen Will Have Bonding Privileges but May Not Be Able to Sell

At a meeting of the council of the board of trade held yesterday afternoon the fisheries question and the policy of free bait was fully discussed. The new order-in-council allows the American boats to come into this port to buy supplies and fresh bait providing they ship their fish from this port. The fish may also be put in bonded cold storage, but whether it must be consigned to a United States port before being stored is not very plain. The council decided not to take further action until a fuller interpretation of the order is received.

The consensus of opinion is that the independent boats will be the trade most desirable and which needs encouragement.

The big Booth company and the New England Fish company will both have plants here and these companies will look after their own interests, but the small independent fishing boats will need the assistance of the business men here to get the privileges which will bring them to this port.

Cheap supplies and the privilege of selling their fish here is what is most needed.

Under the old order the U. S. fish companies had to ship their catch within 48 hours after landing in a Canadian port.

PEACE MEDIATORS MEET AT WASHINGTON

Formal Introductions Followed by an Informal Discussion

(Special to The Daily News)
Washington, May 14.—The first formal stages of the program for the mediation of the Mexican problem was taken by Lamar and Lehman, who will represent the United States. They paid their respects to the South American envoys. This call of courtesy paved the way for an informal conference in advance of the first meeting at Niagara.

MEXICAN FEDERALS ARE EVACUATING TAMPICO

(Special to The Daily News)
Washington, May 14.—The evacuation of Tampico by the federal garrison began at 12:50 p. m. yesterday, according to a wireless despatch to the navy department, from Rear-admiral Mayo.

Henry C. Evans, pioneer piano tuner, now in your city. Phone orders received at No. 351 or No. 86. 103-15

In January the late city council presented to the electors a proposition to buy power from the Prince Rupert Hydro-Electric company outside the city limits at a price that was reasonable. The News believed that proposition to be a good business agreement for the city to make, but the Conservative leaders in this city cried down the proposition and endeavored to make out that it was giving the company a franchise. Now the same company is said to have received a franchise from the Tories themselves, not only to sell power in the city, but to come in and use the city streets and enter into competition with the city plant.

\$50,000 FIRE AT STEWART RESIDENTS' NARROW ESCAPE

FIRE BROKE OUT AT 2:30 IN NORTHERN HOTEL — LADIES GOT OUT IN NIGHT CLOTHES — DOZEN BUILDINGS BURNED

Stewart, B. C., May 14.—Fire broke out in the rear of the Northern hotel about 2:50 this morning, and in a few minutes the building was in flames, the guests escaping in night clothes. Mrs. P. F. Godenrath, who was alone in the Belmont block, which adjoined, escaped in the same condition.

A strong southerly wind was blowing and flames crossed Fifth street, igniting the buildings which are owned by the Stewart Land company. These were soon ablaze. The next to catch fire was W. C. Cameron's home, which was reduced to ashes.

In order to save the town,

George Clothier's assay office was dynamited, and all the efforts of the bucket brigade were centered on the Mocha cafe, which was eventually saved.

The buildings burned were: Northern hotel, Belmont block, office formerly of Veitch and Bunting, Hartley's hall, Arctic Brotherhood hall, mineral display building, Stewart club building, W. C. Cameron's house, C. Woolley's barber shop, G. A. Clothier's assay office, and the Stewart stables.

The whole populace turned out to a man and offered all the assistance possible.

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INCREASED ACTIVITY ALL THE SUMMER AT RUPERT'S DRY DOCK

W. T. DONNELLY, CHIEF ENGINEER, HERE FOR TEN DAYS' INSPECTION — CONTRACTS ALL LET MACHINERY BEING SHIPPED — MORE MEN TO BE EMPLOYED

"I am generally well pleased with the progress of the construction work at the dry dock, and the outlook for still more rapid work is very bright. From now on there will be an increased activity at the plant throughout the whole summer and we will be ready for outside work early in the coming winter."

This was the statement of Mr. W. T. Donnelly, chief engineer of the big \$3,000,000 dry dock now being constructed at Hays Cove. Mr. Donnelly is one of the premiers of his profession and he is making the Prince Rupert dock one of the best and most modern in the world.

Mr. Donnelly came in on the Prince Rupert yesterday. It is nearly five months since he was here before, and a great amount of work has been done in the meantime. He will remain for about ten days in consultation with J. H. Pillsbury, the engineer in charge.

The chief engineer says that with few exceptions the contracts have all been let. The machinery, of which a tremendous amount is required, is practically all coming from eastern Canadian factories. In fact all supplies are purchased in Canada wherever possible. The machinery will all be delivered this summer. The boilers have been shipped from New York and are now en route by water. They will arrive in four or five weeks.

A great deal of the machinery will be shipped in over the main line of the Grand Trunk Pacific. Among the first pieces to arrive will be a 15-ton locomotive crane. It is now en route and will be brought through as soon as the temporary track can be fixed up.

Other machinery coming includes an 80-foot lathe, capable of turning a shaft 50 feet in length; a plate bending machine with a capacity for bending a sheet of steel 20 feet by three-quarters of an inch thick; a steam hammer that can forge shafts eight to ten inches in diameter; a boring mill ten feet in diameter; four air compressors of Canadian manufacture.

"The machine shop, the boiler shop, the blacksmith shop and wood working building will have the most complete set of modern tools on the coast," said Mr. Donnelly.

The electrical machinery has all been contracted for with the Canadian General Electric Co. of Toronto. The plant will be ca-

pable of turning out 2,500 h. p. Two 1,000 k. w. generators of the most recent design will develop the current. They have a speed of 3,600 revolutions a minute. There will be electric motors for all the tools in the different shops. The motors for the dock itself will aggregate 800 h. p. All this machinery is to be shipped within two months' time.

"GERMINAL" A BIG HIT

Zola Pictures a Great Success at Westholme Opera House

"Just splendid," was the general verdict of those present at last night's initial performance of "Germinal." Zola's great masterpiece in modern realism. The story is graphically shown in a series of splendid pictures which hold the audience breathless at times by sheer intensity and power of dramatic action. The cast includes the two greatest actors in France today, M. Krauss and Mlle. Silvie of the Odeon theatre in Paris. This program will be repeated tonight.

A distinct advance in tea wrapping has been heralded by the "Salada" Tea Co. In the place of lead they are now commencing to use a strong, thin sheet of aluminum, which not only preserves the tea better than lead, but is as light as fine letter paper.

TRADES AND LABOR COUNCIL

SMOKER

K. of P. Hall, Thursday, May 14, 9 P. M.
ADMISSION FEE - UNION CARD
All Union Card men invited.
Honorary and Withdrawal Cards recognized.
Beverages by George Sweet.
Lunch by Dyke.
Music by Empress Orchestra.

Public Auction

Household Effects
of Mr. Henry Avison, who is leaving the city, will be held at 225 Seventh Avenue West, back of Skating Rink, on
SATURDAY NEXT, THE 16th INST.
at 2 o'clock p. m.
This includes dining room and bedroom furniture, kitchen utensils, brand new Monarch range, plants and garden tools, etc., all in fine condition.
GEORGE LEEK, Auctioneer.

10,000 WAS PAID FOR EXTRAS BUT NO EXPLANATION IS GIVEN

DIRECTOR-GENERAL WAS SURPRISED ON FINDING ACCOUNT OF PACIFIC COAST CONSTRUCTION CO. WAS PAID DIGBY WHARF SCANDAL

Ottawa, May 12.—John Fraser, director-general for the Dominion, gave evidence before the public accounts committee this morning regarding the payment of \$10,261 to the Pacific Coast Construction Company for extras on the contract for the Mackenzie and Mann wharf at Prince Rupert. When the matter had been brought to his attention he had written a letter to the marine department protesting against the payment as being unauthorized. A letter was written on November 26, 1912, but had never been answered and he had not heard from the department on the matter from that day. The payment had been made to the company by the department through a letter of credit before he came to the attention of the director-general's department. When he saw the account he at the letter in question asking for explanations, but he received none. Since then he had ascertained that such accounts could not be paid without first consulting the auditor-general.

Mr. Middleboro.—That is a good idea. You would lock the door before the horse is stolen.

Mr. Kyle.—Yes, but there was a pony stolen before the door was locked.

Questioned by William Chis-

holm of Antigonish as to his opinion of the payment, Mr. Fraser said that he was surprised that such an account should have been paid without consulting the department. "As a matter of justice," he declared, "I think the firm is not entitled to anything which is not in the contract. When it comes to a question of expediency, or a moral claim, parliament should decide and not any department. The firm undertook to do the work at the contract price fixed. It is not material to the department whether they lost money on it or not. If he is morally entitled to relief then he should come to parliament."

THE TANGO COMING TO PRINCE RUPERT

New Fancy Dances at Westholme Next Week by Expert Artists

At last the tango is about to invade Prince Rupert. Arrangements have been made by the management of the Westholme opera house with Mrs. Lester, the celebrated dancing teacher of Vancouver, and her dancing partner Mr. Charles Ransford, to give a series of exhibition dances at the opera house commencing Wednesday, May 20. The tango, hesitation, flirtation, valse sympathy, one-step, Spanish dance, and the celebrated parlova gavotte will be shown in correct evening dress with special music by the Westholme orchestra. Mrs. Lester has a splendid wardrobe, and different gowns will be worn at each performance. Classes will be formed and private lessons given. Her fame as a high priestess of the terpsichorean art is known all over the northwest and is absolutely unquestioned.

The Kermac was out for her trial trip last evening and agreeably surprised her owners. With an 8-h. p. Perfection engine, she ran along at about seven miles per hour. It is the intention next year to replace the present engine with a 15-h. p.

Pantorium Pioneer Cleaners. Phone 4.

The Empress Theatre

Engagement Commencing

SATURDAY EV'NG., MAY 16th

The Royal Players

Supporting the Charming Actress
MISS EDYTHE ELLIOTT
IN
George Klein's Stupendous Play
"The Lion and The Mouse"

Reserved Seats now on sale at McRae Bros.
PRICES—75c, 50c, 35c.

WEST HOLME

OPERA HOUSE

TONIGHT! TONIGHT!

THE GREAT MOVING PICTURE SENSATION
"GERMINAL"

IN FIVE REELS
Story by Emile Zola

This feature cannot be judged by ordinary standards and is in a class by itself alone.

Must be seen to be appreciated.

Admission: - 15c and 25c
Children, 10c