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SUPERB CARGO OF RICH FURS LANDED AT G. T. P. FLOAT TODAY

TWO THOUSAND DOLLARS WORTH OF BEAUTIFUL BEAR, WOLF, BEAVER, MINK, MARTEN, LYNX AND OTHER SKINS IN FINE CONDITION SPREAD OUT IN THE SUNSHINE.

Two thousand dollars' worth of magnificent furs, mink, beaver, marten, wolf, otter, lynx and bear, were landed this morning from the power boat Ptarmigan at the G. T. P. float.

The superb display of over sixty splendid bearskins stretched black and glossy in the sunshine on the float was well worth seeing. Hundreds of smaller skins were there, varying in value from \$20 to \$5. What a sight for a lady fair to feast her eyes on!

Rufus Taylor, who built the fine launch Ptarmigan and sold her to the Kitlo Indians, who brought in these furs, told of the fine country around Gardiners Inlet, where they were obtained.

From your launch passing there you can see the wild goats on the crags close by, or shoot deer from your place at the wheel.

Accompanying the consign-

ment of furs were Solomon Robertson, the Indian "merchant" of the furs, and Stephen Livingstone, the chief of the hunting grounds. These fine looking Indians are pleased with Rupert, and having bought the Ptarmigan mean to bring their furs here and get their supplies in the city regularly instead of at Victoria or Vancouver. Gardiners Inlet is 200 miles from here southeast along the coast.

Fur buyers eagerly crowded to the wharf this morning to secure the pick of the beautiful cargo, and it was remarked that Prince Rupert now promises to be a great fur centre. At least double the amount of furs dealt with last year have been purchased and exported from Rupert this season by H. Hoffman, and trappers are now making Rupert their point for supply purchase and principal market.

OLIVE BRANCH FOR GERMANY HAS FORMIDABLE APPEARANCE

WINSTON CHURCHILL SAYS GREAT BRITAIN MUST BUILD TWENTY-ONE DREADNOUGHTS IN NEXT SIX YEARS TO KEEP SUPERIORITY.

(Special to Daily News.)

London, March 19. — Grave misgivings are expressed all over the country as to the wisdom of Winston Churchill's blunt invitations to Germany when he was presenting the naval estimates in the House of Commons yesterday. They are regarded as undiplomatic and too defiant in tone, and doubt is entertained whether Germany will receive the offer in the proper spirit—the spirit in which it was intended.

The Daily News sarcastically observes this morning: "No olive branch has ever been presented to another power which had a more formidable appearance." Winston Churchill in a speech

he made on the subject last night said that Great Britain would build ships or forbear from building them not just as Germany may choose, but as they were needed, the aim and object of Great Britain being to hold a 60 per cent. superiority over the battle strength of Germany. To do this Great Britain must construct twenty-one dreadnoughts during the next six years.

THE WEATHER.

For twenty-four hours ending 5 a. m., March 19: Bar., 30.270; max. temp., 42.0; min. temp., 26.0.

BOXING CHANGED TO WESTHOLME

On Account of Unusual Demand for Seats—Both Boys in Excellent Trim—T. Nelson Dunn Will Referee.

On account of an extraordinary demand for seats at the Bayley-Scott boxing contest the promoters, the Prince Rupert Athletic Association, were obliged to seek an arena larger than the available room in the Kaia island Club. They decided upon the Westholme Theatre, where the contest will be held as scheduled on next Thursday night.

The fight fans all over town

are enthusiastic over the outlook for a fine exhibition of the manly game and that the Westholme will have a capacity house goes without saying. Both boys are in excellent trim. Bayley arrives on the Beatrice this afternoon and Scott, accompanied by his manager, Dan Salt, will arrive on the Prince George tomorrow. It is expected that T. Nelson Dunn will consent to act as referee.

Chelohsin an Early Bird.

The Chelohsin arrived at 4 o'clock this morning with a number of passengers and some freight. She left for Goose Bay at 6 o'clock and will return at 3 tomorrow afternoon. She will leave for the south at 9 p. m.

Best room in town at the Savoy.

PRINCE RUPERT TWENTY MINUTES AGO

Beatrice just arrived with three big wagon loads of mail. There is a rod in pickle for the captain of the Falcon ready for his return.

"No citizens need apply" will not be a sign on city hall while Newton is watchdog.

Bullock-Webster makes as good a "Father O'Flynn" as an alderman.

Big cargo of bearskin just landed. Ladies look well in bearskin.

This afternoon everybody is talking of the Liberal rally tonight.

A voiceless flunky cannot be esteemed a "friend at court."

We regret to inform our readers of the sad death, which took place some time yesterday morning, of the political independence of the Empire. What it may mean in this election it is difficult to estimate. The spirit of independence once squelched can never be restored. Its smouldering embers can never be fanned into being again. To the founder of the Empire, John Houston, the public has cheerfully raised a monument. "Take him all in all, he was a man." To his followers, those whom he imbued with the spirit of independence, there is left but the News. There is one other newspaper in Prince Rupert but it

Liberal Rally Tonight

EMPRESS THEATRE

Dr. Kergin Will Preside

Everybody is Invited

DOMINION NAVAL ESTIMATES COME BEFORE PARLIAMENT

Premier Borden and Minister Hazen Outline Plan for Creation of a Purely Canadian Navy

WILL FIRST BE SUBMITTED TO THE PEOPLE

Government to Confer With British Admiralty Before the Adoption of a Policy Not Only of Protecting Canadian Coasts and Shipping But Also of Helping in Defence of the Empire

(Special to Daily News.)

Ottawa, March 19.—In discussing the naval estimates last night Premier Borden and Minister Hazen outlined the government's idea regarding the creation of a Canadian navy. The naval services are to be continued on as at present until the government embarks on a policy not only of protecting the Canadian coasts and shipping, but also of helping in the defense of the empire. This latter contribution, Minister Hazen said, must be made on grounds fair to Canada as a self-respecting part of the empire. There could not be one navy for each different part of the empire. To be effective it must be under an undivided control. All parts of the empire must be at par if one part was attacked.

Premier Borden said that when the present government goes to England it will tell the admiralty first that it did not believe the Laurier policy would benefit either Canada or the empire; secondly, that the people of Canada thought so, too; thirdly, that

it was ready to discuss the details of a policy which it would afterward submit to Parliament and the people. "We will think about it first and formulate our program afterward," he added.

Mr. Borden observed that if the

ANOTHER SPLIT

Returning Officers McDonald Returns from Hazelton.

Ed. Clarke, returning officer, appointed J. F. McDonald as deputy returning officer for Hazelton and sent him there. Dr. Clayton met Mr. McDonald at Hazelton and asked him who he was going to vote for, to which Mr. McDonald replied that he was pledged to William Manson. Dr. Clayton wired this information to Mr. Clarke and the latter immediately dismissed his deputy by telegram.

Dominion entered into any system of naval defense it would be one which would serve the whole empire better than any they had had in the past years. Very great problems were involved and the arranging for a few cruisers would not settle them. Before this government entered into any engagement they would consider the matter to its root. The policy ultimately decided upon would be presented to Parliament and the people would be given an opportunity to consider it.

Eethany Girls' Concert.

Under the capable direction of Mrs. Jack Chisholm another concert is to be given tomorrow (Wednesday) night in the Presbyterian Hall by the Eethany Girls. It is sure to be one of the excellent events of the season, and arrangements will be made to seat the full capacity of the hall. The concert will be followed by a Japanese tea and other social features. An admission of 50 cents will be charged for the concert and tea.

IN HONOR OF ERIN AND DEAR ST. PATRICK

Splendid Entertainment Was Given Last Night in the Westholme Theatre---Local Talent Fairly Surpassed Itself

All the warm hearted good humor of Old Ireland pervaded the thronged Westholme Theatre last night on the occasion of the great St. Patrick's concert. Those who expected an entertainment at least as good as last year's excellent one had their expectations more than realized. Every item on the program was encoored to the echo. Every feature of the entertainment was above the average. There was not a flaw to mar the enjoyment of the evening.

"Ici on Parle Francais," the one-act farce put on at the end of the program, went off splendidly. A regular star in that intensely humorous playlet was G. S. Fitzmaurice. With Frank Ellis and W. R. Whitley as perfect supporters in all the heavy work of the farce, he made good most undeniably, and immense appreciation greeted all three. The ladies in the clever little

farce played their parts admirably. Mrs. Chisholm's reputation as an amateur actress is of the best. She maintained it. Miss Moore, Miss Brown and Miss Kinkade brightly upheld their parts, and did excellent work. "Ici on Parle Francais" was well worth seeing.

In "Leap Year," a musical duality by Mr. Tracy and Mrs. Des Rosiers, the audience had another bright entertainment of very high merit, with merry music that delighted.

Well known names standing for the best musical talent of the city appeared elsewhere on the program. F. W. Renworth as a flute soloist is new talent and excellent. Mr. Graham Kearney in violin solos charmed his hearers. J. Couture was repeatedly encoored for songs finely rendered. Mrs. Chisholm, besides her excellent acting, proved that she is a singer more than appreciated,

and last but not least amongst the amateurs Alderman Bullock-Webster achieved once more his hurricane of success as the inimitable singer of "Father O'Flynn." He responded to insistent encores with a charming little Irish courting ballad which got right home with the whole audience.

That the spacious Westholme Opera House set off admirably play and program goes without saying. The theatre's own accomplished pianist, Mr. Werner, thoroughly pleased with a brilliant solo, and the picture show which raised the curtain was excellent. Compliments of all who enjoyed the entertainment are coming to the committee responsible for its success, namely: Martin O'Reilly, president; E. G. Gibbons, vice president; E. F. Doyle, secretary; Fr. E. M. Bunoz, treasurer; L. Bullock-Webster, R. Koller and R. E. Tracy.

NEW CITY HALL BUILDING SAID TO EXCEED ESTIMATES

MAYOR MAKES SCATHING STATEMENTS ABOUT IT, DECLARING THAT INSTEAD OF \$15,000 THE BUILDING IS COSTING \$30,000—REPORT FROM ARCHITECT REQUESTED.

Mayor Newton believes that the cost of the new city hall now under construction has been greatly in excess of the \$15,000 estimated at the time the plans were sanctioned. He calculates that the building with fittings and furnishings will come to about \$30,000. The Mayor had asked whether the plans had in any way been altered or added to to account for the extra cost. He had been informed that nothing had been done of this kind, and therefore gave it as his opinion at last night's council that either a blunder had been committed in estimating the probable cost of the city hall, or that there had been deliberate misrepresentation of the cost in order to get the job started. Already the city hall has cost some \$17,000. It will cost some \$10,000 more.

Alderman Montgomery sug-

gested that the architects be asked to report on the reasons for this excess over the estimate. Alderman Morrissey agreed with this and the motion made by Alderman Montgomery was carried. The architect will be asked to report concerning the alleged considerable excess of cost over estimate.

Grand hard times ball given under the auspices of the Cooks' and Waiters' Local 825, A. F. of L., McIntyre Hall, Wednesday evening, March 20th. 31

The Sons of England Lodge, Prince Rupert, No. 318, meets on Thursday next, March 21st, 8 p. m., in the K. of P. Hall, Helgerson block.

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CONTRACTOR MORGAN DID NOT CALL COUNCIL SOFT BUNCH

CHARGED WITH STREET RUMOR TO THAT EFFECT BY THE MAYOR, HE OFFERS TO FACE ANY MAN WHO SAID HE MADE VAIN BOAST.

That Mr. Morgan, the contractor, who recently came to a settlement with the city council for the amount due on his grading contract, had made the boast that he had got the better of the council by \$2,000 is a street rumor which had reached the Mayor's ears on the council and city hall staffs, including those of the city solicitor.

Mayor Newton yesterday asked Mr. Morgan point blank whether he had ever made the statement that the council is a bunch of soft marks whom he had diddled out of \$2,000.

Mr. Morgan not only denied this absolutely, but declared him self only too anxious to be con-

fronted by any man who has made such an allegation about him.

Ald. Montgomery thought the matter one which was too paltry for the council to care about or pay any attention to. Criticism and accusations he held were the common lot of councils no matter how they acted.

But the mayor was glad Mr. Morgan had had the opportunity to clear himself and favored further opportunity for him if need be.

Experienced cleaner and presser wanted immediately. Sweder Bros., Helgerson Block. 31

'PHONES MAKING GOOD

Supt. Love Reports on the Municipal Enterprise that Pays

To the city council, E. Love, superintendent of phone department, reported a thriving state of affairs at the telephone department. Following are the figures: Telephones in service 524 at February 29, two more than previous month. Operating expenses \$704.25 per month. Construction \$135.20 per month. Net rents receivable and installation fees \$2109.80.

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M'MORDIE APPEAL CASE

Ald. Montgomery seeks Information from City Solicitor Petitioners on the Situation to Date, and Preparations for Defence

Ald. Montgomery last night asked the city solicitor what steps he was taking in regard to the McMorde appeal. The city solicitor replied that he was making preparations for defence of this case, and would be ready in good time before a judge can be sent to Rupert.

...LIBERAL HEADQUARTERS...

The Alex. M. Manson Campaign Committee have leased the

Old Optimist Building

on Second Ave., for the campaign

All friends of Good Government cordially invited