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WEDNESDAY, JUNE 14

THE CITY COUNCIL, THE LICENSE COMMIS-SIONERS AND MR. PRUDHOMME

The full significance of the council's amazing action in voting pelagic sealing is not stopped as public money in their efforts to prevent Mr. A. J. Prudhomme from securing a renewal of his license for the Savoy Hotel, should not be held at Washington it is reported Halifax on Sunday night, is to lost upon the public.

It means that in an attempt to prevent the members of the License will send a cruiser into Behring Accompanying him will be a num Board from receiving the natural consequences of their unlawful act, their friends on the city council have determined to drag in the city and fight the forlorn hope with the citizens' money.

Possibly they hope that when the courts are called upon to state who are responsible for the loss that Mr. Prudhomme has suffered, by some means or another the bill may fall upon the citizens. looks suspiciously like the policy that was enunciated at the previous secret meeting, when it was proposed to unload all responsibility for the strike upon the Dominion authorities by calling in H. M. C. S. Rainbow. It is to be hoped that the present policy may meet with like success. In the case of the Rainbow a similar disregard was shown as to the financial consequences to the city.

Many people were prepared for unusual action when it became noised about town that a secret meeting of several members of the council had been held on Saturday night, followed by Mayor Manson's coasting vessels. on the ground dred passengers and a heavy cargo departure from town before the council met, for Mr. Manson has a surprising habit of disappearing when important things are to be by the men, handling cargo on was welcomed, for supplies are done. He kept away on private business until the council had got the liquor law altered to permit the hotels to keep open till midnight He was away during the Rainbow incident. He was nowhere to be seen on the day of the riot. It is not charged that the Mayor was actually hiding under the bed, but his absence on that occasion was so noticeable that it was a general jest round town that the Mayor had handed authority over to Chief Vickers and was seeking saf seclusion.

It is nonsense to pretend that the city council are so anxious to know the precise aspects of the law so closely that it is worth spending a lot of money to find it all out. If they want to know what the precise Judge McInnes dismissed the case. Boat House. aspects of the law are on the matter, they can find it in Mr. Justice Clement's judgment and mandamus.

That honorable judge, well learned in the law which he is sworn to impartially dispense, went into the whole matter very closely, and gave it as his opinion that "There is no doubt in my mind that the refusal to grant the renewal was for reasons other than that claimed on behalf of the commissioners." He followed that up by a mandamus addressed to the commissioners by their names, saying:

"WHEREFORE, we being willing that due and speedy justice should be done in the premises, as is reasonable, do peremptorily command you, the said Board of License Commissioners . . . to grant said Alexander James Prudhomme.

the insertion in such license of any condition, lest by your default

the same complaint should be repeated to us. .

If the License Commissioners choose to take the risk of deciding who shall and who shall not have licenses, for "other than those reasons claimed on behalf of the commissioners," that is their own risk. Any fool knows that it is a risky business to monkey with the law. The legal regulations upon which licenses can be issued and refused are clearly laid down in the statutes. If the members of the License Board care to take the risk of being a law unto themselves, they may. But the city council cannot plead in the face of Mr. Justice Clement's decision that they are justified in voting the citizens' money-some of it A. J. Prudhomme's money-in an effort to prevent Mr. Prudhomme from earning a living.

It is no secret that Alderman Newton is responsible for the editorial utterances of a certain local newspaper. The similarity in the obtuseness of outlook and turgidity of thought between Alderman Newton's speeches and the editorial articles in question, point to their common parent. For the reason that his written articles are rarely sensible, we do not notice them. But an article which appeared in Alderman Newton's paper a few hours before he voted the citizens' money to fight Mr. Justice Clement's judgment is worth quoting. It is a characteristic reply to a series of articles which appeared in this column on the economics of the G. T. P. assessment agreement.

Says Alderman Newton editorially:

"It does seem a pity that a consummate ass should be permitted to make such belittling references concerning those who strove to effect the best settlement possible rather than waste a lot of the people's money in fighting law suits. . . A small bunch of narrow minded politicians are prepared to even sacrifice the city's best interests for damnable party advantage. Politics are all right in their place, but when they conflict with the welfare of the city, we say away with them."

With the exception of the first clause in the leading sentence, we would apply the whole quotation to fit Alderman Newton's action. We would not call him a consummate ass, for he is not that. He is merely a simpleminded gentleman, with strong convictions, but little exact knowledge of anything. Nor would we limit Alderman Newton's freedom of speech-at least not until the city can afford to support a permanent opera company with a funnier low comedian. But we do heartily endorse his strong statement of the iniquity of the city being plunged into law suits to suit. . . some narrow-minded politicians. . . for damnable party advantage.

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SEE TO SEALS IN THESE SEAS

H. M. S. Shearwater Sails from Rural Regiments Said to Have Esquimait for the Behring Sea This Month.

About the end of this month She is expected to reach the scene poses. of the sealing activities towards the close of this month.

Five revenue cutters are to protect the interests of the United Leaves for the West on Thurs-States, four already having been sent north, and the other, the Rush, now awaits orders at Seattle. If that the American government leave for the West on Thursday.

DECK HANDS OF AMUR LOSE CASE

Cargo on Sundays According to Agreement Signed by Men.

Judge McInnes has dismissed the second test case brought against the Canadian Pacific Railway steamer Senator from Seattle ar by the deck hands on the companys rived last evening with four hunthat under written articles signed of freight. The vessel's arrival Sunday was work which they short. agreed to do.

The action was brought under on board. the Canadian Act and as the Princess Victoria was registered under the Imperial Shipping Act, telephone 320 green. In order that there should be no misunderstanding the second time, another case was brought in which the name of C. Tucke, a deckhand on the Amur, duly registered under the Canadian laws was used.

The Amur employed on the run between Victoria and Port Sssington and while at that place and also at Prince Rupert, the men were ordered to move cargo a license on Sunday and when they refused . . .in renewal of the license previously held. . .without were replaced by other men and upon arrival in Vancouver were discgarged from the company's

BOUGHT FIRST TICKET

Arthur Little Claimant for Unique Honor

To Arthur C. Little, proprietor the most famous news stand Northern British Columbia, goes the honor of buying the first railroad ticket on the Grand Trunk Pacific, to travel east on the main line from Prince Rupert.

This morning Mr. Little was on hand at the G. T. P. ticket office and asked for a return ticket to Copper River, as far as the train will travel, which is 100 miles east.

"Four dollars and five cents one way," said Mr. A. E. Mc-Master, the agent, who claims the distinction of selling the first railroad ticket in this city for the

Soon after Mr. Little had got his ticket he was offered \$5 above the purchase price and later \$10 was offered. "Not for sale," said Mr. Little. "I am one of the pioneers here and said I would be a passenger on the first train going east on the G. T. P. main

The number of the ticket is

SIR WILFRID IS ILL

(Canadian Press Despatch)

London, June 14.—The Morning Post announces this morning that Sir Wilfrid Laurier has been ordered to remain indoors for a few days owing to his having contracted an affection of the throat.

FARMERS PREFER ARTS OF PEACE

Hired 300 Men to Bring up Their Strength.

(Canadian Press Despatch) or the beginning of next, H. M. S. Niagara, June 14.-A sensation Shearwater will leave Esquimalt is promised in the Niagara Camp for the Behring Sea to look after this year, owing to the discovery British interests during the sealing today that more than 300 of the season. The sloop-of-war is now raral militia in camp here are preparing for her trip to the north. men recruited in Toronto from Japan has also decided to send along the docks and in the cheap a vessel across to look after that lodging houses. These are said nation's interests. The cruiser to be hired for two weeks by some Building Material, Coment, Lime, Naniwa left Hakodate on May 1 of the commanders in order to Hair-fibre Plaster, Coke, Blacksmith and will proceed first to the Kam- bring the regiments up to their schatka coast and Copper Islands. required strength for camp pur-

R. L. BORDEN IS COMING

day for a Campaign Tour

(Canadian Press Despatch) Ottawa, June 14.-Mr. R. I result of the donference being Borden who returned here from Sea to assist the revenue cutters. | ber of Conservative speakers.

S.S. SENATOR REACHES NOME

P. R. Crews Must Handle Negotiated Ice Fields and Managed to Land Four Hundred Passengers and Much Freight

(Canadian Press Despatch)

None. Alaska, June 14.—The

The steamer Umatilla from San The first case brought by the Ferancisco is outside the harbor, men was against the orders given working her way through the ice to deck hands to shift cargo on fields to get in. She is reported Sunday on the Princess Victoria. to have four hundred passengers

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THOMAS MeMEEKIN Dated April 18, 1911. Pub. May 13. Francis S. Preston, Agent

Skeena Land District-District of Cassiar

Coal, Common Brick, and Flat rivers, thence south 80 chains, thence Presend Brick Dated April 20, 1911. Pub. May 13. Shingles, Lath New Wellington Coal Francis S. Preston, Agent ALL ORDERS PROMPTLY FILLED

> Skeena Land District - District of Coast Range 5
> Take notice that I, J. Harold McKean of Prince rom a blind slough from Observatory Inlet where mencement, containing 640 acres more or less.
>
> Dated Apr I 14, 1911. J. HAROLD McKEAN

P. O. Box 580 Skeena Land District—District of Casslar
Take notice that I, Thomas Macgovern of
Stewart, B. C., occupation miner, intend to apply
for permission to purchase the following describes

Dated March 25, 1911. Sidney Frank Wright, Ag Pub. May 17.

Skeena Land District—District of Cassiar Take notice that William Frederick Cameron of Prince Rupert, B. C., occupation carpenter, ntends to apply for permission to purchase the

WILLIAM FREDERICK CAMERON Francis S. Preston, Agent

Skeena Land District—District of Coast Range 5 south, thence 40 chain Take notice that I, Lauchlan John Shanahan of cement, containing 400 B. C., occupation teacher, intend to Dated May 2, 1911. apply for permission to purchase the following Pub. May 6. LAUCHLAN JOHN SHANAHAN land

Dated April 17, 1911. Pub. May 6.

JOHN L. MITCHELL Dated April 18, 1911. Francis S. Preston, Agent

apply for permission to purchase the following nmencing at a post planted about three south and two miles west of the forks of Dated April 20, 1911.

Take not ce that I, Joe Jack of Prince R. per B. C., occupation carpenter, intend to apply ission to purchase the following describ

Dated April 14, 1911.

Skeena Land District - District of Coast Range Take notice that I, Bell Hall Kenney of Ya

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Skeena Land District—District of Cassiar Take notice that I, James Dunlop of Prince JAMES DUNLO Francis S. Preston, Agen

Take notice that I, John Hepburn of Kit north 40 chains to place of commencemen Dated March 18, 1911. JOHN HEPBURN

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Take notice that Henry Macartney of Prince Rupert, B. C., occupation miner, intends to apply

its confluence with the Skeena River and about lands: 1-2 miles west from Exchumsiks rapids, thence 8

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CLARA MAY LITTLE

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Dated April 21, 1911.

FRANK HICKS

Dated May 2, 1911.

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Dated April 21, 1911.

T. D. Laird, Agent

Dated March 20th, 1911 Pub. April 29th, 1911

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