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DON'T FORGET DUNCAN ROSS MEETING TO-NIGHT

MANY GOOD SPEAKERS AT THE LIBERAL SMOKERS

French-Canadian Smoker Brought Out Many Bright, Witty Addresses and Charming Songs—Liberal Committee's Enjoyable Smoker Last Evening

Two very enjoyable smokers were given at the Liberal club rooms Saturday and yesterday evenings. That of Saturday was upon the invitation of the French Canadians of the party, and the proceedings were mostly in French. Thomas Trotter was the chairman and the principal speaker Frank Anger, of Kiseles.

Mr. Anger is a son of Senator Anger, of Quebec, a young man who has the gift of eloquence. It was a political speech he made, but full of clever witticisms that kept the faces of his audience in a broad and expectant smile when they were not convulsed with laughter. This brilliant young speaker will address the Ross meeting in English this evening. There were a number of excellent songs both in French and English.

The Committee's Smoker

The Liberal smoker last evening was attended by over one hundred and fifty people. A. J. Morris, chairman of the Liberal Committee presided, and among the speakers were Fred Stork, L. W. Patmore, Alex Manson and a number of others.

The speeches were all upon the important question of the moment, that of reciprocity, and every mention of the name of Duncan Ross provoked applause. It was generally conceded that after the great rousing meeting of this evening the campaign work would be practically over; there would be nothing further to do until election day except to exchange preliminary congratulations.

VALUABLE VOTE?

City Solicitor Peters is Going to Victoria for a Little Stay

City Solicitor Peters has asked for leave of absence to go to Victoria and give evidence in favor of an old client of his row in an important trial. Leave of absence will be granted, but Alderman Hilditch wanted to know if Mr. Peters would be back here by the 21st inst. "Why?" asked Mr. Peters. "I haven't got a vote here." "No, but you have one at Victoria," remarked Alderman Hilditch. City Solicitor Peters promises to attend to some city matters while he is down below.

For row boats and launches telephone 320 green. Davis' Boat House.

HUNTERS DROWNED

Upsetting of Boat Caused Two Lives to Be Lost

Winnipeg, Sept. 12.—A double drowning accident occurred last evening at Red River. W. M. Hatton, Jarvis Marshall and Jam Hatton, Jarvis Marshall and James Nicholson, campers in the river park, upset their boat and the latter was the only one saved.

Tonight in the Empress Theatre Duncan Ross will meet H. S. Clements in the second bout of that encounter over reciprocity of which the first bout took place at Alberni when Mr. Clements was most grievously floored. Duncan Ross is in fighting trim and ready for his rival. Don't miss the greatest meeting of the campaign.

CLEARING UP MYSTERY OF HUMBOLDT GOLD ROBBERY

Confession of Bank Forger Will Lead to the Indictment of Several Seattle Men For Complicity in the Bold Robbery of Treasure

(Canadian Press Despatch)
Seattle, Sept. 12.—The confession of Charles Everett, a bank forger of many aliases, has cleared up the mystery of the robbery from the steamship Humboldt, on August 15, 1910, of \$90,000 in gold dust and bullion. What his confession is the detectives are at present unwilling even to intimate, but it is said to cover the whole plot and to be complete with names and dates and circumstances. The arrest of Everett ranks as one of the cleverest of recent times. Large rewards were offered and the gold was carefully traced from every point down the Yukon from Fairbanks to Skagway and on board the Humboldt.

The detectives now confidently expect that within the next few weeks the indictment by the grand jury of several men well known in Seattle, will mark the climax of the story of the bold robbery of a treasure ship while at sea.

If you want money apply P. O. Box 953.

SALOON KEEPER SHOT

William Urquhart of Vancouver, Quarrelled with Customer.

(Canadian Press Despatch)
Vancouver, Sept. 12.—Following what the police believe to be a quarrel, a man whose identity is unknown drew a revolver in a liquor store on Cordova street last night and shot the proprietor, William Urquhart, fatally. The assailant immediately took flight and escaped in the darkness. There is no trace of the man.

Urquhart was a prominent old time business man of the city. He was shot three times. It was done in a spirit of revenge. He died within a few minutes after the shooting.

Etna Getting Busy

Catania, Sept. 12.—(Special)—People living in the vicinity of Mount Etna are alarmed by renewed earthquake shocks and threatened activity of volcano.



MISS CANADA (to Conservative Party)—Why, that thing has been buried so long you can't even raise a genuine ghost.

TAKES UP CLEMENTS' CHALLENGE AGAIN

Tonight's Meeting Will be the Greatest Political Gathering Ever Held in This City—Meeting For Women This Afternoon

Duncan Ross has a busy day before him. He arrived here by train at half-past three, has a meeting with the Liberal Committee, delivers an address on reciprocity to women at the Empress Theatre at half-past four, and in the evening meets his opponent, H. S. Clements, in a forensic battle to decide whether the latter's statements in Hansard favoring reciprocity are correctly reported. This is expected to culminate in a knock-out, and in Mr. Clements gracefully acknowledging his defeat and handing in his resignation of the nomination according to the promise made by him in McIntyre Hall.

Woman to Preside

The ladies will also select a president of their own for this afternoon's meeting, and Prince Rupert will have the pleasure of hearing a woman talk on the subject she pre-eminently understands. It will be the first time any woman has appeared upon a political platform in this city.

Rousing Evening Meeting

Dr. Kergin will preside at the evening meeting and there will be several able local speakers. But the great interest will centre in the meeting of the two candidates, and the continuation of the debate as to whether Mr. Clements is not morally bound to keep the promise he made to Prince Rupert people in these words:

"If Mr. Ross proves I have ever expressed myself, in Parliament or out of it, in favor of reciprocity, I will resign my nomination and

permit Mr. Ross to be elected by acclamation."

This the Second Round

If this round proves to be nearly as dramatic as the first round at Alberni it will arouse great excitement. There Mr. Clements made the same challenge. There Mr. Ross three times read from Hansard and three times held out his hand for the resignation promised.

Tonight's meeting, therefore, will be the crucial one of the campaign. It is questionable if the theatre will afford sufficient accommodation for all who will desire to hear this joint debate between the two candidates. At any rate, it will be well to be on hand early to secure a seat. Eight o'clock is the hour.

Rupert for Health

Again a rosy report from the Medical Health Officer for the month of August. Every aspect of the city's life from that genial officer's point of view is satisfactory including the working of the scavenging department. Death and serious disease are rare in Prince Rupert.

"PRINCE RUPERT HAS NO PURCHASING AGENT"

Interesting Facts Laid Bare by Alderman Newton in Council Last Night—Light Thrown on the Doling Out of Patronage in Orders For Public Works and Other Departments

An otherwise placid council meeting last night was intensified by the sharply critical attitude of Alderman Newton to the manner in which the city accounts for various items of expenditure are dealt with. His criticism based on direct questions to the city purchasing agent resulted in his summary of the situation stingingly to the effect that the city practically has no purchasing agent.

Mayor's Notice Board

Every thing purchased is ordered definitely by the Superintendent of Public Works or some other person in authority, and the requisition slips are then pinned with due formality upon the noble notice board invented by the Mayor for motions, enquiries, and such matters including requisition slips, to be brought under the

notice of aldermen before the council passed upon them. By the time the business reaches the council board the materials requisitioned may even be in the hands of the Public Works Department employees. Alderman Hilditch as chairman of the Public Works Department declared that only small items, and items of expenditure wanted in haste were ever so handled. Anything big came up before the council before any money was spent on it.

Scathing Condemnation

To this Alderman Newton replied that if the little things were so irregularly treated, the big things also would be irregular. He condemned the system of purchasing and paying for city

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LAURIER AND BOURASSA

Premier Addresses Four Thousand at Actonville

Actonville, Ont., Sept. 12.—Sir Wilfrid Laurier addressed four thousand here yesterday, from the platform of the train, en route to Victoriaville, Que. After defending reciprocity and the navy program, he slated Bourassa for the campaign he was conducting. Later he spoke at Victoriaville to an enthusiastic meeting.

Last Call

At Brin's tomorrow night at 8 o'clock F. A. Ellis, auctioneer, will sell the balance of the stock which was not sold on Saturday night. Household articles of every description must go without reserve.

DUGGAN'S EXCUSE

Too Dark to See if Innis was an Indian

The man who supplied drink to the Indian, Joseph Innis, who was picked up on the dock Sunday drunk to paralyzation, has been captured and this morning was brought before Magistrate Carrs. His name is John Duggan, and he is a one-eyed sailorman who worked on the unloading of the tramp steamer Hans B.

In answer to the charge he had a ready but most lame excuse. He said: "It was dark, judge, and I could not see whether the man was an Indian or not."

The Magistrate gave him a talking to and also a sentence of \$100 and costs. He was taken to the cooler.

RUPERT BOY RISKS LIFE TO SAVE HIS COMPANION

Plucky Nine-year-old Gilbert Donaldson Plunges After Sinking Luigi Mazzei in Hays Creek Swimming Pool—Rescued Lad Much Older, But a Non-Swimmer

Rescued from drowning at Hays Creek yesterday afternoon by a boy of nine Luigi Mazzei who is fourteen years old has good reason to be thankful that he is able to run around this morning. His plucky young rescuer is Gilbert Donaldson, a Daily News boy, whose action yesterday afternoon was a splendid instance of straight-away boy bravery. Though he only learned to swim about four weeks ago and was so much younger and smaller than the boy he rescued, Gilbert never hesitated for a moment in plunging into deep water after the drowning boy.

How the accident happened is simple enough. There is no proper bathing place for boys anywhere around the waterfront and the boys are compelled to pick up their swimming knowledge in all kinds of doubtfully deep bathing holes here and there. It was at one of these near Hays Creek that Luigi Mazzei and Gilbert Donaldson with some other lads were bathing yesterday about five p.m. Stepping from a log or float of some kind to what seemed to be solid ground Luigi found

yielding treacherous stuff below his foot. He had stepped on to a floating mass of rubbish which gave way throwing him into deep water. He could not swim.

Gilbert Donaldson instantly plunged after him and succeeded in grabbing him by the collar after a short struggle in which the drowning boy clutched hard and dragged his plucky little rescuer below the surface. Gilbert stuck to his task, however, and in a minute was near enough the bank for both boys to grasp solid ground and get out of danger.

Even late in the present swimming season as it is, the undoubted risk run by numbers of the bright boys of Prince Rupert in their efforts to discover bathing places ought to draw the attention of the city council to set something in motion towards instituting a regularly supervised bathing pool for the younger boys at least, which may take definite shape before next bathing season. The matter is no less important than the provision of a proper athletic park.

Ross and Reciprocity

Remember the Ross Meeting at the

EMPRESS THEATRE -- TO-NIGHT

Duncan Ross, Frank Anger and Others Will Speak

Mr. Clements threw down a challenge which was accepted. It is expected that he or his representative will be present

SEATS RESERVED FOR LADIES

GOD SAVE THE KING