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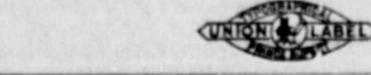
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THE PROVINCE AS A LAND SPECULATOR

The announcement that the public sale of lots in Section Two does not include those held and owned by the provincial government has raised quite a storm of indignant protest from the people of Prince Rupert. It is protested against as a piece of the most unjust discrimination against development of this northern part of the province in favor of the southern and more developed sections and as a glaring inconsistency of the government's policy, the primary object of which has been announced as the encouragement of the development of our natural resources.

The people of Prince Rupert are indignant that the government lots in Section Two are not to be offered for sale with those of the railway. They can see the object. The province is in the real estate business merely as a speculator. At the first sale of city lots the lots of the province and those of the city were advertised to be sold without reserve. Those of the railway were so sold; those of the province were not. Lots were reserved by the latter for "public purposes. The city wanted one of these reserved parcels of land recently for a city hall, five lots near Market Place. The province offered them to the city for this public purpose at a so-called "reduced price" for such a purpose, namely \$25,000. This was above the price price of the ordinary speculators.

The provincial government is feared in Prince Rupert as one of the most unscrupulous of real estate speculators. Any other speculator buying and holding a lot has to pay city taxes on unimproved property while waiting to reap the "unearned increment," but not so the province. It is now holding from development unimproved lots in the best part of Second avenue and other parts of the city. As the city builds up these lots become more and more of eyesores in comparison with the improvements on either side of them. But of course their value is increasing all the time.

There is an inconsistency in this. The government policy announced for the next meeting of the legislature is to cancel all leases upon which the holder, although he has paid his rentals regularly, has made no improvement or effort at development. This can scarcely b called consistent with its policy in this city of holding lots for merel speculative purposes, thus retarding the growth of this city and robbin the public exchequer of the taxes those lots would bring were the in other hands.

A public meeting on this subject would bring out many other government inconsistencies, probably more glaring, and would prove what sterling friends Premier McBride and his henchmen have failto be in fostering the growth and prosperity of Prince Rupert.

PASSING COMMENT

An army colonel in England has just been adjudged insane because he altered a check for \$11, to read \$11,000, and tried to pass it.

What would they have called it if he had tried to alter a check for \$11,000 into \$11

The old saying that misfortunes never come singly is strangely exemplified in the death of Albert Kobus, at Renfrew. He is the fifth of the family to meet a violent death. One was drowned from an ocean boat, a second was crushed beneath a falling arch at Renfrew, a third was drowned in Rainy River, a fourth was killed by an explosion at La Tuque, and the other day the body of Arthur was found, crushed and mangled, on the Kingston and Pembroke Railway. On brother still survives.

THEATRE

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THE

"No, thank you. You'll excuse me know. My natural interest-" But Enid, with a parting smile, was

Louis

halfway toward the next landing, and Mrs. Vansittart was free to re-enter the crowded apartment where her reminiscence came to her. fellow-sufferers were wondering when they would see daylight again. She did not stir. The darkness was tense, the narrow passage draughty, ably it is her father's." and the column thrilled and quivered in an unnerving manner. She heard house appalled her. The singing had the clang of a door above and knew ceased, or was shut off by a closed that Enid had gone into the second door. One might be in a tomb as apartment given over to the women. surrounded by this tangible darkness. Somewhere, higher up, was the glar- The tremulous granite, so cold and ing light of which she had a faint re- hard, yet alive in its own grim collection, though she was almost un- strength, the murmuring commotion conscious when unbound from the of wind and waves swelling and dyrope and carried into the service- ing in ghost-like echoes, suggested a

greatly with the years? A lighthousekeeper! Of all professions in this wide world how came he to adopt that? And what ugly trick was fate about to play her that she should be cast ashore on this desolate rock where he was in charge? Could she avoid him? Had she been injudicious in betraying her knowledge of And how marvelous was likeness between Constance and her father! The chivalrous, high-minded youth she had known came back to

her through the mists of time. calm, proud eyes, the firm mouth, the wide expanse of forehead, were his From her mother—the woman "died many years ago," when Mrs. Vansittart, was "quite a girl" the girl inherited the clear profile, the wealth of dark-brown hair, and grace of movement not often seen Englishwomen.

Though her teeth chattered wit the cold, Mrs. Vansittart could not bring herself to leave the vault-like stairways. Once more the hymn-singers cheered their hearts with words of praise. Evidently, there was one among them who not only knew the words, but could lead them mightily

in the tunes of many old favorites. The opening of a door-caused by to ask you," she said. the passing to and fro of some of the ship's officers-brought to her distracted ears the concluding bars of a Bay. When the voices swelled forth again she caught the full refrain:

"Raise thine eyes to heaven When thy spirits quail, When, by tempests driven, Heart and courage fail."

good cheer to all who heard, yet Mrs. as a lantern dipped seven times, which Vansittart listened as one in a trance, to whom the divinest promise was a thing unasked for and unrecognized. passing through the greater peril of the reef in a state of supine consciousness, she was now moved to extreme activity by a more personal and selfish danger. There was she, a human atom, to be destroyed or saved at the idle whim of circumhere, with life and many things worth living for restored to her safe keeping, she saw imminent risk of a collapse with which the nebulous dangers of the wreck were in no way comparable. It would have been well for her could she only realize the promise of the hymn: "Our a pleasure she assuredly could not ac- the sensation which the night had prolight affliction, which is but for a count for. ceeding and eternal weight of glory." a word with you."

Not so ran Mrs. Vansittart's jumble of thoughts. The plans, the schemes, pair. the builded edifice of many years, threatened to fall in ruin about her. In such bitter mood there was no consolation. She sought not to find spiritual succor, but bewailed the catastrophe which had befallen her.

It assuredly contributed to that "affliction which is but for a moment. that Constance should happen just then to run up the stairs towards the hospital. Each flight was so contrived that it curved across two-thirds of the superficial area allotted to the stairway. Anyone ascending made a complete turn to the right-about to reach the door of the room on any given landing and the foot of the ladder to sure the next.

Hence, the girl came unexpectedly face to face with Mrs. Vansittart. The meeting startled her. This pale woman, so thinly clad in the demi-toilette of evening wear on ship-board, should not be standing there.

"Is anything wrong?" she cried raising her lantern just as Enid did when she encountered the sailors. "No, no," said the other, passing a nervous hand over her face. Constance, with alert intelligence, fancied

she dreaded recognition. "Then, why are you standing here? It is so cold. You will surely make

yourself ill.' was wondering if I might see Mr. Brand," came the desperate answer, the words bubbling forth with

unrestrained vehemence. "See my father?" repeated the gir She took thought for an instant. lighthouse-keeper would not be able to leave the lamp for nearly three

hours. When dawn came, she knew floor Mrs. Vansittart had gone. he would have many things to attend to, signals to the Land's End, the ar rangement of supplies, which he had already mentioned to her, and a host of other matters. Four o'clock in the morning was an unconventional hour for an interview, but time itself was topsy-turvy under the conditions prevalent on the Gulf Rock.

that Mrs. Vansittart resented her ju- to take us off?" dicial pause.

"Thank you." knowledgment conveyed an odd note of menace. If the eyes are the windows of the soul surely the voice is its subtle gauge. The more transpar ently simple, clean-minded the hearer, the more accurate is the resonant im pression. Constance found herse vaguely perplexed by two jostling a stractions. If they took shape it wa in mute questioning. Why was Mrs Vansittart so anxious to revive or, it

might be, probe, long-buried memorles, and why did her mobile seem to veil a hostile intent?

But the fresh, gracious maidenhoo in her cast aside these unwonted studies in mind-reading.

"He has so much to do," she explained. "Although there are many of us on the rock to-night he has never been so utterly alone. Won't

wait inside until I return?" 'Not unless I am in the way pleaded the other. "I was choking in there. The air here, the space, are so grateful."

So Constance passed her. Mrs. Vansittart noted the dainty manner mount the stairs. She caught glimpse of the tailor-made gown, striped silk underskirt, well-fitting boots Trust a woman to see all these things at a glance, with even the shifting glimmer of a storm-proof lantern to aid the quick appraisement.

As the girl went out of her sight a in her distress.

"No wonder I was startled," she communed. "That sailor's coat she wears helps the resemblance. Prob-

Then the loud silence of the lightgrave, a vault close sealed from the And at that moment, not knowing outer world, though pulsating with the it, she had been near to Stephen far-away existence of heedless multi-Brand, might have spoken to him, tudes. Thus, brooding in the gloom, looked into his face. What was he a tortured soul without form and he aged void, she awaited the return of her

Constance, after looking in at the of tides as in most other respects. hospital, went on to the service-room. clanced up to the trimming-stage, expecting to see him attending to the ments, she climbed to the little door in the glass frame.

the matter now? Surely there was not another vessel in distress. However, being relieved from any dubiety to the service-room and gave herself the luxury of a moment's rest. Oh, how tired she was! Not until she sat down did she realize what it meant to live as she had lived, and do all that she had done, during the past

Her respite was of short duration Brand, his oilskins gleaming with wet,

"Hello, sweetheart, what's up now?" he cried, in such cheerful voice that she knew all was well.

"That was exactly what I was going "The Falcon is out there," he replied, with a side nod towards Mount's

Constance knew that the Falcon was a sturdy steam-trawler, a bull-dog little ship, built to face anything in the shape of gales.

"They can do nothing, of course, she commented. "No. I stood between them and the light for a second, and they evidently Such a message might well carry understood that I was on the lookout,

I interpreted as meaning that they will return at daybreak. Now they are off to Penzance again." "They turned safely then?"

"Shipped a sea or two, no doubt. The wind is dropping, but the sea running mountains high."

He had taken off his oilskins. Constance suddenly felt a strong disinclination to rise. Being a strongwilled young person, she sprang "I came to ask if you can see Mrs.

Vansittart," she said. "Mrs. Vansittart!" he cried, with a genuine surprise that thrilled her with

moment, worketh us a far more ex. "Yes. She asked if she might have Brand, foreseeing the importance of

eyes in work. The oil is running low. I must hie me to the pump at once. have my journal to fill. If there is no host of signals to look up and get ready. And, a word in your ear, Connie dear. We will be 'at home' on the rock for the next forty-eight hours. Give the lady my very deep regrets and ask her to allow me to send for her when I have a minute to spare, some hours hence.

She kissed him. "You dear old thing," she cried. "You will tire yourself to death, I am

He caught her by the chin; "Mark my words," he laughed. "You will feel this night in your bones longer than I. By the way, no matter who goes hungry, don't prepare any breakfast until I come to you. I suppose the kitchen is your headquar-

"Yes, though Enid has far more of Mr. Pyne's company. She is cook

"Is Pyne there, too?" laundry-maid,

"I think I shall like him," mused Brand. "He seems to be a helpful sort of youngster. That reminds me. Tell him to report himself to Mr. Emmett as my assistant,-if he cares for

the post, that is." He did not see the ready spirit of mischief that danced in her eyes. She pictured Mr. Pyne "fixing things" with Mr. Emmett "mighty quick."

When she reached the first bedroom "I thought it would be strange !! she stood long in this draught," mused Constance. She opened the door. The lady she sought was leaning disconso-

late against a wall. "My father-" she began. "I fear I was thoughtless," interrupted Mrs. Vansittart "He must be greatly occupied. Of course, I can see

"I will ask him," she went on, hur- him in the morning before the vessel riedly, with an uncomfortable feeling comes. They will send a ship soon "At the earliest possible moment,

was the glad answer. "Indeed, dad quired Pyne, quietly. To the girl's ears the courteous ach has just been signalling to a tug which will return at daybreak. There was a joyous chorus from the

other inmates. Constance bad not the

requisite hardihood to tell them how they misconstrued her words. As she quitted them she admitted to herself that Mrs. Vansittart, though disturbing in some of her moods, was TRV really very considerate. It never occurred to her that her new acquain-

ance might have suddenly discovered

he exceeding wisdom of a proverb concerning second thoughts.

Indeed, Mrs. Vansittart now bitterly regretted the impulse which led her to betray any knowledge of Stephen Brand or his daughter. Of all the follies of a wayward life that was immeasurably the greatest, in Mrs. Vansittart's critical scale.

But what would you? It is not often given to a woman of nerves, a woman chains north, thence 80 chains west to point of volatile nature, a shallow worldling, yet versed in the deepest wiles of intrigue, to be shipwrecked, to be Pub. Aug. 17. plucked from a living hell, to be swung through a hurricane to the secure in security of a dark and hollow pillar standing on a Calvary of storm-tossed waves, and then, whilst her senses swam in utmost bewilderment, to be confronted with a living ghost.

Yet that was precisely what had happened to her. Fate is grievous at times. This ha-

ven of refuge was a place of torture. Mrs. Vansittart broke down and wept Date of Location, 31st July 1911.

CHAPTER X.

PYNE'S PROGRESS

ed a chilly dawn. The little world of the Gulf Rock bestirred itself in damp misery at the news. The fresh watch, delighted by the prospect activity, clattered up and down the iron stairs, opened all available windows, unclamped the door when Brand gave the order, and busied itself exceedingly with the desultory which offered to so many willing

It was now, by the nautical almanac, dead low water on the reef, but the strong southwesterly wind, hurling a heavy sea completely over the rocks, showed that the standards of war and peace differ as greatly in the matter

As the light increased it lost its first warm tinge. Steel gray were sky and water, sombre the iron-bound land, whilst the whereabouts of the sun be lamp. No. He had gone. Somewhat came a scientific abstraction. Therebewildered, for she was almost certain fore, the heliograph was useless, and he was not in any of the lower apart- Brand, helped by some of the sailors, commenced to flaunt his flag-signals to the watching telescopes on the far-Ah! There he was, on the land- off promontory of the Land's End. ward side of the gallery. What was The Falcon, strong-hearted trawler, Pub. Sept. 23. was plunging towards the rock when the first line of gay bunting swung as to his whereabouts she went back message it was-in its jerky phrasesits profound uncertainties-for communication by flag code is slow work, and Brand left much to an easier system of talk with the approaching

> "Chinook-New York to Southampton-struck reef during hurricane -propeller shaft broken-78 survivors in lighthouse-captain, 201 passengers, officers and cre -lest with

The awful significance of the words sank into the hearts of the signallers. For the first time, the disaster from which, by God's Providence, they had emerged safely, became crystallized into set speech. Seventy-eight living out of two hundred and eighty who might have lived! This was the curt intelligence which leaped the waves to fly over the length and breadth of the land, which sped back to the States to replace the expected news of safe voyage, which thrilled the civilized world as it had not been thrilled

for many a day. Not a soul in the lighthouse gave a thought to this side of the affair. All were anxious to reassure their loved ones, but, in their present moribund condition, they could not realize the electric effect of the incident on the wider world which read and had

hearts to feel. Even whilst Stephen Brand was signalling to the Falcon, with little white flags quickly extemporized as soon as she neared the Trinity buoy, newspaper correspondents ashore were busy at the telegraph-office, and their associates on the trawler were eagerly transcribing the lighthouse-keeper's words wherewith to feed to fever heat

vided for the day. clearness and brevity, had already He threw up his hands in comic des- written out a full draft of his detailed

"Tell the good lady I am up to my | Faithful to his promise, Stapleton was acting as signaller-in-chief or board the Falcon, so Brand might man ipulate his flags as quickly as lay in sun I cannot heliograph and I have a this power, with chief officer Emmett reading the words at his elbow: there was no fear that any mistake would be made by the receiver.

> The story, if condensed, was complete. Beginning with an explanation of the liner's disablement, it dealt with her desperate but unavailing Pub. Sept. 23 struggle to weather the reef, described Pyne's gallant and successful effort to get in touch with the lighthouse, the rescue of a fourth of those on board the names of the survivors and, final ly, their predicament in the matter of food and water. All this took long to tell.

Within the lantern, Mr. Charles A Pyne, appointed supernumerary assis tant-keeper, was burnishing brass work as per instructions received. He little knew the use which was being made of his name by the tiny bits of linen tossing about on the exterior gallery. In such wise, helped by compositor and dignified by head lines, does a man become a hero in these days of knighthood conferred by

Constance was scrutinizing the Fal ing Enid's cheery "Good-morning" to Pub. Sept. 23. Pyne when that young lady raced up wards from the kitchen to catch 4 Take notice that thirty days from date, I, C. glimpse of the reported vessel, she Bainter of Prince Rupert, B. C., occupation book. land on Graham Island dest dropped her glasses for a moment "Jack is on board," she announced

there is such a lot of other men-half Penzance, I think." Enid joined her; Pyne, too, though! he could polish a burner up there as well as on the floor of the service

"Of course he would be there.

Stanhope's stalwart figure, clad in oilskins, was clearly defined as stood alone on the port side of Falcon's small bridge, reading off signals and sending back spasmodia twitterings of the flags which he, also, word was understood.

"Who is the skipper of the tug?" in Both girls laughed.

"You mean Jack," cried Enid. not the captain. He is an officer of the Royal Navy, our greatest friend."

(TO BE CONTINUED)

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COAL NOTICE

Skeena Land District-District of Queen Charlotte Take notice that Austin M. Brown of Prince Rupert, B. C., occupation saddler, intends to Bainter of Prince Rupert, B. C., by occupation lands on the West Coast of Graham Island:

AUSTIN M. BROWN, Locator Date of Location 31st July, 1911.

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chains west, thence 80 chains south to point AUSTIN M. BROWN, Locator Pub. Aug. 17.

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