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## RAILROAD POLICY OF M'BRIDE NOW ANNOUNCED

### MAYOR NEWTON HAS RETURNED TO THE CITY

Still Dark About the Nature of the Business Which Took Him Below With City Solicitor Peters

**CANADIAN NORTHERN**  
Sir Donald Mann Says It Will Be Rushed to Completion.

(Special to Daily News.)  
Toronto, Feb. 24.—Sir Donald Mann arrived home yesterday, after an absence of two months. He stated that all the energies of the Canadian Northern Railway will be devoted to getting the road completed across the continent as soon as possible.

**LOSES HIS HOME**  
Colonel Prior's Handsome Residence Destroyed by Fire.

(Special to Daily News.)  
Victoria, Feb. 24.—A fire early yesterday morning caused by an overheated furnace destroyed the residence of Col. Prior. The loss is \$45,000.

### DEDICATION AND OPENING OF NEW METHODIST CHURCH

REV. DR. CHOWN WILL BE PRESENT—SERIES OF ATTRACTIVE SERVICES AND SOCIAL GATHERINGS WILL FEATURE OPENING OF RUPERT'S FIRST PIPE ORGAN CHURCH.

Sunday, March 3rd, will witness the dedication services in Prince Rupert's first pipe organ place of worship, the new Methodist Church, Sixth Avenue and Musgrave place. This is the largest and most modern constructed of all the churches at present in Prince Rupert, and its pastor, Rev. Charles Sing, and congregation have reason to be proud of their new building. The dedication service will be conducted Sunday morning, March 3rd, at 11 o'clock by Rev. S. D. Chown, D. D., general superintendent of the Methodist Church of Canada, assisted by the Rev. C. H. Raley, chairman of the Port Simpson district. Dr. Chown will also preach both morning and evening, at 11 and 7:30 o'clock. Anthems will be rendered by the excellent choir now organized and the pipe organ now being installed will be in readiness for the opening services under the capable control of Professor Charles Serle, who will give an organ recital on Wednesday evening, March 6th.

In the afternoon of March 3rd in the new Sunday school room of the church Rev. F. W. Kerr, B. A., pastor of the Presbyterian Church, and Rev. C. S. Reddick, B. A., of Kitimat, B. C., will deliver short addresses at a school children's and young people's rally. Special music will be rendered by the children. Offerings at all services will be in aid of the building fund.

On Monday, March 4th, from 6 to 8 p. m., an opening banquet will be given in the basement by the Ladies' Aid, the banquet being followed by an entertainment in the church auditorium. Dr. Chown will give a special address and the clergymen of the city will also give short addresses. There will be special music by the choir and others.

The opening services will be continued on Sunday, March 10th, when Rev. C. H. Raley will preach at 11 a. m., and Rev. J. H. White, D. D., at 7:30 p. m. At 3 o'clock

By the Camosun last night there returned to Prince Rupert Mayor Newton. City Clerk Woods was there to greet him. City Solicitor Peters arrived with him. Mayor Newton is looking well—positively sprightly—since his sojourn below, but he has little to say regarding his visit to Victoria.

"Mr. Peters and I went south," he said, "in connection with a matter which we considered of urgent importance to the city, but which I deemed it inadvisable to make public as it would be liable to be misconstrued. The matter I may say is proceeding satisfactorily. We accomplished what we set out to do, but the end is not yet in sight sufficiently clear for the business to be made public."

Regarding other matters the Mayor mentioned that from all sources of information he gathers

that the government is not likely to contemplate the sale of their Prince Rupert lots this year.

He added that lobby talk during his visit to Victoria was all toward an early provincial election, and further made special mention of the fact that legislation is contemplated for an early date by which towns and cities of British Columbia can take a vote of their citizens on the question of the abolition of the ward system, probably without need for a petition as at present.

For sale—Soda fountain and all appurtenances. C. H. Orme. If

### OLD CITY HALL IS SCENE OF A GREAT UPHEAVAL TODAY

Civic Staff Are Removing Their Departmental Belongings to Temporary Premises in the New Fire Hall on Fulton Street

"Change and decay in all things" might well have been the doleful ditty of the Mayor when he reported at the city hall this morning. Chaos reigns there. Nothing is in its accustomed place. From the Engineer's department above the City-Clerk's abode beneath, there is upheaval. Books, plans, files, typewriters and desks all lie open unto the gaze of passersby. Rigs backed up to the sacred portal go off groaning up Centre street, bearing

### TORY POLICY ON RAILWAYS

Brief Outline of the Railway Policy Upon Which Premier McBrice Will Shortly Appeal to the People.

Victoria, Feb. 21.—The guarantee of bonds to the extent of \$35,000 a mile to Messrs. Foley, Welch & Stewart for a line from North Vancouver, via Howe Sound and Pemberton Meadows, to Fort George, with its ultimate extension to Peace River. Connection to be made with Vancouver over the Second Narrows bridge.

C. N. R. bonds are guaranteed for a line from Kamloops to Vernon, with a branch to Lumby.

### PROVINCE IS OVER NINE MILLIONS IN DEBT

Budget Speech Shows Large Increases in Products From Natural Resources Such as Agriculture, Timber and Fisheries

C. N. R. bonds are also guaranteed for an extension of the Victoria-Barclay Sound line to Strathcona Park.

Provision is made for the extension of the E. & N. to Comox. The government agrees to repurchase 2,500,000 acres of the Columbia & Western lands at 40 cents an acre, amounting to \$1,000,000.

A bill provides for the repair and operation of the Kaslo and Slocan line.

Navel Oranges, 20c dozen at Shruballs's.

(Canadian Press Despatch.)

Victoria, Feb. 24.—The budget speech of the Finance Minister was delivered yesterday afternoon. It places the debt of the province at a little over \$9,000,000, with assets over liabilities during the year at \$1,497,594. During the past two years there has been a saving in revenue as against expenditure of \$4,792,291. The present bonds of British Columbia stand higher in the British market than those of any other province in Canada. Agriculture products of the province have risen from \$14,962,904 last year to \$20,837,839 this year. Imports remained at \$14,000,000. Timber products are one billion thirteen hundred thousand feet manufactured into lumber and forty-seven million feet exported. The fisheries value is placed at \$11,000,000. Registry office returns netted \$613,000.

**"WATCH IT MOVE"**  
Home of the Latest "Boneless Soap, Newest in Toilet Fixtures.

"Watch it move," the famous election legend, still graces the side of the Schreiber building, in which is now installed the firm of Smith & Mallett. While the premises, to be laid out in most up-to-date style as plumbers' show rooms, are still far from complete, there is on view there at present a noticeable novelty in the shape of "boneless" soap, which is found delicately scented in a crystal bulb at the wash basin. Messrs. Smith & Mallett are pioneering the way for this novelty in Prince Rupert.

Navel Oranges, 20c dozen at Shruballs's.

### ALL IS SMOOTH RUNNING NOW WITH THE DRAMATIC SOCIETY

RECENT RESIGNATIONS CAME UP FOR CONSIDERATION AT ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING LAST NIGHT AND WERE WITHDRAWN—NEW OFFICERS ELECTED.

Recent resignations of three of the members of the Prince Rupert Amateur Dramatic Society were gone into fully at the annual meeting of the society last night, and after some discussion, at which several little misunderstandings were straightened out, the resignations were withdrawn. General business was then proceeded with. A committee was formed with instructions to report as early as possible upon the feasibility or otherwise of the production of a musical comedy at an early date. In connection with this the president stated for publication on behalf of the society that they would welcome the co-operation of any ladies or gentlemen in the city interested in amateur musical or dramatic work. Mr. E. Heman of the Prince Rupert Agency, the secretary of the society, would be pleased to

hear from any ladies or gentlemen who are desirous of joining the society.

The business of electing officers and an executive for the ensuing year was then proceeded with. Much regret was expressed on the part of the society at the resignation of Mr. W. E. Williams from the office of vice president. Mr. Williams regretted exceedingly that his time being wholly occupied with his business affairs necessitated this step. The election then proceeded, resulting as follows:

President, Mr. L. Bullock-Webster, second term; vice president, Mr. F. A. Ellis; treasurer, Miss Johnston, second term; secretary, Mr. E. Flexman; executive, Miss Thompson, Miss Fulton, Mrs. Hubert Ward, Mr. L. Crippen, Mr. G. S. Fitzmaurice, and the officers above mentioned as ex-officio members.

### TEDDY BEARS VS. PIRATES

Sensational Indoor Baseball Game Last Night—24 Runs Made in One Inning—Who Blew Out the Lights?

Last night in the Auditorium the Pirates put it over the Teddy Bears by half a score of runs, the feature of the game being the extraordinary swift finish. The game ended with the eighth inning when the score stood Pirates 28, Teddies 17. At the end of the seventh inning the score was 4 to 13 in favor of the Teddies, but in the last inning played the Pirates made things hum, and the rooters rooted to such purpose that they blew out the gasoline lights one by one. This, it is claimed, by the Teddies, accounts for the marvelous result of 24 runs scored in one inning by the Pirates. Next game will be a terrific one, declare the rival teams.

**ATTRACTIVE SERVICE**  
Rev. W. H. McLeod's Text for Tomorrow Evening's Sermon.

"The Final Goal of Human Endeavor" will be the subject of Rev. Warren H. McLeod's sermon tomorrow evening at 7:30 o'clock. Morning service at 11 o'clock and Bible school at 2:30 p. m. Music conducted by Mr. John E. Davey, organist and choirmaster. Strangers and visitors always welcome. All Baptist services held in McIntyre Hall, Third avenue, near Sixth street.

**Last of Old Senators.**  
(Special to Daily News.)

Ottawa, Feb. 24.—Hon. William Miller, P. C., K. C., the last of the senators appointed by royal proclamation in 1867, died yesterday afternoon. He was born in Antigonish, N. S., February 12, 1834, of Irish descent, and was speaker of the senate from 1883 to 1887.

**A New Offense.**  
For having opium in his possession L. Langier was this morning fined \$25 and costs. He paid cheerfully.

### FUNERAL TODAY

Late Mrs. Olga Rosang Interred with Honor by Eagles.

This afternoon the funeral of Mrs. Rosang was held, Rev. W. E. Collison officiating. The members of the Eagles Lodge turned out in force with many friends of deceased. Services were held in Hayners' chapel and at the graveside.

### TERRIBLE SEA IN THE STRAITS

G. T. P. Steamer Prince John Swept by Green Seas Loses Work Boat Off the Hatch Forward.

"Never saw such heavy weather in the straits since I've sailed them," remarked Captain Wearmouth of the G. T. P. steamer Prince John when the boat got in last night. Evidences of the storm were seen on the vessel, her work boat having been torn from its lashings and swept overboard from the forward hatch by green seas which washed aboard as the John wallowed broadside to the gale.

### BOURASSA TO VISIT COAST

Rude Boreas of Quebec Politics to Make Lecture Tour of the Dominion, Accompanied by Armand Lavergne.

Ottawa, Feb. 20.—Mr. Henri Bourassa is to make a tour of Canada as soon as the Quebec elections are over. The tour will take three months, and he will travel through to Vancouver accompanied by Mr. Armand Lavergne. He will visit all the principal cities, giving lectures, and will also speak to country audiences.

**Bishop of Province.**  
Victoria, Feb. 24.—Dr. Roper will be consecrated bishop of British Columbia here tomorrow. Archbishop Matheson officiating.

### DYNAMITE IS USED ON WRECK

Capt. Babington Returns from Banks Island, Where He Is Salvaging Wrecked Grant Piece-meal with Aid of Diver.

Captain Babington returned with Captain Norman Broadhurst in the Rover last night from Banks Island. They have been actively engaged in salvaging the wrecked steamer Grant. Dynamite has been successfully used on the wreck by Diver Clark, who worked in a desperate sort of diving suit patched up with sheet brass and canvas. A brand new suit is being taken out by Captain Babington. Good progress has been made with the salvaging work.

### PRESBYTERIAN SERVICES

Rev. F. W. Kerr Will Conduct Both Morning and Evening.

Sunday, 11 a. m., in Presbyterian Hall, Fourth avenue.

Sunday, 7:30 p. m., in Empress Theatre.

The pastor, Rev. F. W. Kerr, will conduct both services.

After morning and evening services ballots will be distributed by which members and adherents will vote for church union.

The Club on Wednesday evening will be a Leap Year social by the ladies.

### SCHOONER WRECKED

Three of Crew Rescued by a Passing Steamer.

(Special to Daily News.)  
Victoria, Feb. 24.—The American fishing schooner Dolphin was totally wrecked yesterday morning in the Juan de Fuca Straits. Three members of the crew were rescued by the steamer Joan.

### Busy Court Day Monday.

The police court will be busy on Monday morning. There are two blind pig cases and a gambling case, all of them with hosts of witnesses to be heard, which have been adjourned awaiting the return of the City Solicitor.

### THE WEATHER.

For twenty-four hours ending 5 a. m., February 24, 1912: Bar., 29.966; max. temp., 42.0; min. temp., 35.0; precipitation, .34.

### WEST HOLME OPERA HOUSE

**Grand Opening**

Wednesday Evening  
**Feb. 28**

Engagement Extraordinary  
Of the Famous

**Bell, Barnes & Dale Trio**  
Direct from the Pantages Circuit

ADMISSION: — 25c, 35c, 50c  
Box Seats 75c

**DOORS OPEN AT 7.30**

### PRINCE RUPERT TWENTY MINUTES AGO

Sphinx-like and grave as an emperor the much missed mayor stalks by.

Progressives still progress toward political freedom. "De vind it blow like hurricane; and den she blow some more."

Aeroplane packing case careers from Fifth street upward. Hank is heard softly to hum: "Quoth the raven, never more."

City hall has a move on at last.

Citizen asks if the Council will do any more firing when they sit in the fire hall.