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STRIKING BRITISH COLLIERS GO BACK TO WORK

FOSTER PRINCE RUPERT AS A BOAT BUILDING CENTRE

CAPTAIN BABINGTON'S SPLENDID NEW LAUNCH NOW ON THE STOCKS IS AN EXAMPLE OF THE WORK LOCAL ENTERPRISE CAN ACHIEVE.

At his boat building yards at Cameron Cove H. Johnson is making good progress with the building of Captain Babington's handsome and powerful new gasoline launch. The new boat is now all planked, and partly decked. She is 46 feet over all, 14 feet 2 inches beam and draws 6 feet 6 inches. She is tremendously strong, designed altogether for hard service as a tow boat or salvage tug. Her framing throughout is oak, stem and stern posts stoutest yellow cedar, shoe and guard of Australian iron wood. Her power is to be a 40 horse power Standard engine. The new boat, which is as yet unnamed, is similar in appearance to the Rover, but larger and stronger in every way. Captain Babington, who is naturally intensely interested in the progress of the boat, says that he has had her built in Prince Rupert in order to show to all concerned that it is really possible now to have a good, substantial power boat, most suitable for all local purposes, built locally at much less cost than by sending the work south. Owing to heavy overhead charges even the best builders below cannot possibly

underbid local enterprise and have besides the disadvantage of not thoroughly appreciating local conditions, while the owner of the boat cannot stand by to see that things are done as he desires. Those interested in the progress of the waterfront of Prince Rupert hope to see the contract for the new Prince Rupert coast mission power boat placed locally and the launching ceremony made a function to draw a big crowd.

MAY LOOT GRUB

Striking Laborers Plot to Starve Out Men Working.

(Special to Daily News.) Vancouver, April 4.—According to information received at the headquarters of the Canadian Northern Railway here there is a danger that the striking laborers on the line near Yale may loot the commissariat camps in an effort to starve out the men who still remain at work. With the object of preventing this, special police are being sent to the district by the government.

Warm, clean rooms at Savoy.

THAT HOUN 'DOG SONG

Found in Ancient Archives of the City of Rheims.

"Chaque fois quand au village
veins
Les gars tapent sur mon chein
N'importe qu'il n'est qu'un
pauv' chien,
Il cessera un maltraiter mon
chien."

Renew Power Boat Thelma.

With new house work and a new 4 horse power Buffalo engine, the power boat Thelma, belonging to Mr. Burrows of the Lester W. David Co., will reappear on the harbor this season as a runabout. The boat is now undergoing transformation at Johnson's yard.

Presbyterian church will hold service tomorrow morning Good Friday, in church hall at 11 a.m.

MINERS GOING BACK TO WORK

Majority Against Resumption is too Small to Make Vote Effective Declare Officials of the Miners' Federation.

(Special to Daily News.) London, Eng., April 4.—"It will be peace with honor and the men will return to work," said secretary of Miners' Federation last night. The officials of the federation are arriving here for a conference and for the scrutiny of the ballots this afternoon. The majority against the resumption of work is too small to make it effective, declare the officers. Twenty thousand men in Staffordshire have returned to the pits and work is gradually becoming general throughout the country.

RAILWAY COMMISSIONER

Goodeve Appointed to Vacancy on the Board.

(Special to Daily News.) Ottawa, April 4.—The vacancy on the Board of Railway Commissioners, vacant for a long time, since the death of Thomas Greenway, has been filled by the appointment of A. S. Goodeve, M. P. for Kootenay.

Mississippi Rising.

St. Louis, April 4.—The Mississippi river reached the danger mark of 30 feet here last night and is still rising.

Already Competing.

The Grand Trunk Pacific has announced a reduction of the freight rates from Edmonton to Fort George of from 7 to 3 cents per pound.

Piano for rent. Apply Keeley's Drug Store.

EAGLES FLAP THEIR WINGS AND DO FINE BOXING STUNTS

REFEREE DUNN LETS LOOSE SOME CORKERS—BUD CORLEY INTRODUCED AS THE CHAMPION SLUGGER OF KAIEN ISLAND.

The Eagles soared and screamed last night and never did such ordinarily sedate birds raise such a merry din. The boxing was the chief attraction and during the first four round bout between Alexander and Hanafin it was a common remark among the spectators that it was better boxing than Bayley and Scott showed here. George Leek presided over the revels of the smoker and was ably assisted by a committee composed of S. A. Corley, W. J. McCutcheon, J. W. Williams, S. A. Phillips and Prof. Kaufman. The latter presided at the piano and directed his orchestra, which filled with merry music the pauses between the great events.

With bucket carriers, bottle holders, towel wafers and all the paraphernalia of fistie war, Nick Alexander and P. Hanafin stepped into the ring. Referee Dunn intoned their obituaries to the audience and with a zip, flop, thug, they went at it. It was a fast and a good four rounds, Hanafin having much the best of it.

Roy Barnes, 140, and Bob Simpson, 115, kept the fun go-

ing, but when Bud Corley sounded his spittoon gong at the close of the second round the referee announced the rest of the contest was postponed on account of the snow storm. When Corley stepped into the ring to face Ben Self there was immense applause. But the referee cut this off with the announcement that all bets were off, as information had reached him that the match was a frame-up to get meal ticket gate money.

Frank Somers, a clever acrobat, did some stunning stunts and then there was another fistie event between Battling Swede Peterson and a gentleman of color named Smith. This was a rattling good go from start to finish.

Frank Gotch and Dr. Roller were represented on the mat by Bert Knox and Eddie Hardy, the latter scoring two falls, the last one taking nearly nine minutes to accomplish.

Prof. Kaufman gave an address on how to make an Eagle lodge successful and there were songs and instrumental solos and the large crowd had a jolly good time.

MUSHROOM GROWTH ABOVE GOOD OLD SNAIL-PACE BELOW

Emil Kauffman Starts up His Contract for Sheds on the Provincial Government Wharf---Sensational Activity on Deck Level---Below Deck Original Contractor Manages After Many Weeks to Get One Brace in Position

Tremendous excitement at the waterfront near the Westholme Lumber Company's premises—Emil Kauffman has begun work on the sheds and warehouses for the new government wharf. He has a gang of some twenty or thirty men on, any amount of lumber there and yesterday afternoon was fairly making things hum with activity. The air of somnolent, go as you please, wait for the tide or for McBride had vanished. Kauffman's men were busy among the lumber as bees in a honeycomb, the circular saws shrieked and buzzed continually, hammers rang, and the building of those sheds was going on in earnest. Emil Kauffman himself was there with his coat off actively superintending just as he did on the big warehouses he rapidly completed for the wholesale district by the G. T. P. wharf. Nobody visiting the scene would have dreamt it was

the same time-honored Government wharf which has been growing up with the city since almost the first memories of the earliest pioneer.

Mr. Kauffman expects to have his part of the work complete in less than six weeks, and looks like achieving this end easily. He has got started with the work a good deal sooner than had been expected, for it was thought he would have to wait until all the ferro-concrete braces had been fitted between the piles. Mr. Kauffman is glad he didn't have to wait until then, for as a matter of fact yesterday afternoon there was only one of these braces in permanent position. The work of fitting them appears to be as tedious as the construction of the famous sea-wall, which depended on the state of the moon and the tides. Portions of the decking of the wharf have to be lifted in order to let the braces

be lowered to the men placing them, and this necessity reacts as a certain hindrance to the apertures of the decking have to be avoided by the men passing quickly to and fro about their business.

At the present rate of progress with the braces it looks as if the wharf would not be complete and fit for heavy steamship traffic until about Christmas this year. Until the braces are in position the structure is not in shape to stand continuous heavy boat traffic in spite of its highly modern railway buffer spring boom. The impact of a deep water steamship making even a Barney Johnston landing at the government wharf in its present shape would strain the unbraced piling, but yesterday the Government snag-scow Cygnet was berthed there with apparently no ill effects to the structure.

THE RED DEVIL'S LIGHTNING DASH

Record Turn-out by Fire Brigade to Majestic Theatre Alarm Yesterday Afternoon—Smoke but No Blaze.

A splendid smart run was made by the red devil and attendant helmeted fire fighters yesterday afternoon. The alarm was rung in from the Majestic Theatre, and a smoldering, smoking pile of rubbish was found far back in the premises behind the theatre and F. Keeley's store. There was no actual outbreak of flame, and the cause of the incipient blaze is mysterious, even suspicious, says the fire chief. At any rate, no reason can be found for it. The brigade deserves congratulation for a lightning dash, the whole outfit being on the job before many who started to run for the scene from points nearer than the fire hall at the first sound of the fire bell.

LOCAL MARINE NOTES

The Prince Albert is due to arrive at Skidegate today with a full cargo of material for the Doughty cannery. Whether she will call here on this trip is not known.

The Prince John sailed yesterday for Granby Bay, formerly called Goose Bay, with material for the smelter. This is the beginning of her regular weekly service to this and Queen Charlotte Island points.

THE WEATHER.

For twenty-four hours ending 5 a. m., April 4: Bar., 29.525; max. temp., 41.0; min. temp., 30.; snow, 7 1-2 inches.

LAND DISPUTES ON GRAHAM

Special Agent Fletcher Believes They Can Be Amicably Settled if Disputants Will "Give and Take a Little."

Victoria, March 28.—By the time Hon. Mr. Ross returns he will find awaiting him the report of Mr. S. A. Fletcher, who was commissioned to enquire into various land disputes on Graham Island, of the Queen Charlotte group. Mr. Fletcher proceeded forthwith to Masset, visited all the settlements on the north coast and on Masset Inlet, and made careful and exhaustive enquiries as to all the disputes in question. From Queenstown he crossed by Mexican Tom's trail to Tl-El River and thence worked his way down the coast to Queen Charlotte City. Arthur Robertson, a well known pioneer of the country, acted as guide for the trip. Mr. Fletcher is of the opinion that the various disputes can be satisfactorily adjusted without especial difficulty, "providing all concerned are prepared to give and take a little." He thinks that the new clause in the Coal and Petroleum Act, inserted last session at the request of Mr. Manson, will prevent any further conflict or difficulty between the pre-emptors and the holders of coal licenses.

Among the arrivals by the Prince George yesterday was Mr. T. E. Ibbotson of Vancouver, who will have charge of the Prince Rupert branch of the Canadian Home Investment Co. Mr. A. J. Tate, who has been in charge since the opening of the office in this city, will leave Saturday for the south. In future Mr. Tate will be in the Seattle office of the company.

RUPERT'S FIRST REAL CANTATA

Final Rehearsal of "Christ and His Soldiers" Held Last Night. The Rendering on Friday Night Will Delight All Listeners.

Last night in McIntyre Hall Mr. J. E. Davey conducted the final rehearsal of the cantata "Christ and His Soldiers" in the perfecting of the choral rendering, of which he has worked assiduously and unsparingly for three months. The final rehearsal satisfied even his own keenest criticism and delighted a number of interested listeners who braved the blizzard to hear it. This cantata, the first ever rendered in Prince Rupert, is going to be a real musical treat on Friday evening. The singing of the soloists last night was pleasing in the extreme, and the work of the quartet, including Mr. Davey himself, is considered by those who heard it something exceptionally good. No one who attends this cantata tomorrow night will come away disappointed. That even the most critical of musical ears will be charmed at the rendering is really no exaggeration.

A. W. Agnew of Ritchie & Agnew has returned from a visit to the south.

D. E. Ewing, accompanied by Mrs. Ewing, were among the passengers on the George.

That Ungrateful Friend.

Thomas Doyle quarreled with the friend he was getting full with and the friend landed him a stinger on the hoco. A Ke-indly policeman took him to the lockup to mop up the claret and this morning Thomas cheerfully paid \$5 and costs for the entertainment.

DROPPED TWO HUNDRED FEET

Famous Aviator Dashed to Death With His Bi-plane in California, After Successfully Amusing Large Crowd of Spectators.

(Special to Daily News.) Long Beach, Cal., April 4.—C. P. Rodgers, the famous aviator, and the first man to cross the American continent in an aeroplane, was dashed to death ere late yesterday afternoon, when his machine dropped a distance of 200 feet. Rodgers had been amusing a crowd of spectators by flying over the sea, among the flocks of gulls and on returning apparently lost control of his machine, for when just above the shore the bi-plane shot down like a rocket. The aviator was badly crushed, his back and neck being broken.

BLIZZARD DIDN'T HINDER THE FUN

Ladies' Aid of the Presbyterian Church Held a Very Successful Entertainment Yesterday Afternoon and Evening.

After a successful delicatesse sale yesterday afternoon, the Ladies' Aid of the First Presbyterian Church held a delightful social gathering with games and music in the hall on Fourth avenue in the evening. The feature of the entertainment was the really perfect pianoforte playing by Mrs. Carpenter, who has only recently arrived in Prince Rupert, and whose contribution to the pleasure of the gathering last

night was intensely appreciated. Solos by Miss Holtby, who is welcomed back to the concert platform, and clever recitations by Miss Dineen added to the success of the evening. An egg hunt for Easter greatly delighted the whole gathering taking part enthusiastically, and in spite of the rough weather a good crowd spent a happy time.

SHIPPING HIM ROUND WORLD

Small Groundhog with a Taste for Travel Is to Be Given the Trip of His Life.

The wanderlust of, a small groundhog which entered Salt Lake the other week on the brake-beam of a Western Pacific passenger train is to be gratified by a trip around the world. Western Pacific railroad men who adopted the animal have prepared a crate plastered with directions as to his care, a resume of his travels, which will carry him east over the Rio Grande to Denver and thence to Kansas City, Chicago, New York, Washington and Boston, across the ocean and around the world as the special guest of transportation men.

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A POWERFUL ORATOR HERE

Rev. Father Donnelly, Leading a Great Religious Lecture Series Throughout the Roman Catholic Church, Spoke Last Night.

Probably no greater orator has ever spoken in any Prince Rupert church than the Rev. Father Donnelly, whose powerful evangelical address in the Roman Catholic Church last night was heard by a large audience in spite of the blizzard, which prevented the church from being full to overflowing. The Rev. Father in ringing accents struck the note of religious intensity in manner to enthrall his hearers. Earnestness was the dominant strain in his speech last night. There was no evidence of his keen native sense of humor, though to the Protestant listener the very earnestness of Father Donnelly's regret at having found in great London city a family of the name of Murphy who could actually confess to being Methodists was without its whimsical aspect. Not the most frivolous, however, could fail to be impressed deeply by the great zeal expressed by Father Donnelly for religion that is apart as the poles from the beggarly worldliness that holds out blind Bartimean hands abjectly, however steeped in world-

ly pride, for the "alms" of wealth, place or pleasure.

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GUNPOWDER ENGINE NOW

Model Monoplane Driven by Gas Generated from Exploding Gunpowder in Engine.

Leavenworth, Kas., March 30.—A model monoplane using gas generated from gunpowder for power was tested successfully at Fort Leavenworth the other day by the inventors, Corporal Thomas O'Brien and Richard Saunders of Company M, Engineers' Corps. The model weighs one and a half pounds, including the engine, and measures six and a half feet from tip to tip.

Scottish Football

In the final game for the Scottish cup the Celtic defeated the Hearts of Midlothian by 3 goals to 0.

Don't forget regular dance tonight in McIntyre Hall. Gray's orchestra.

PRINCE RUPERT TWENTY MINUTES AGO
Merry Christmas—Beg pardon, Easter we mean.
Of course you can't expect the Princess Ena to call at a wharf with only one brace fixed.
Great chance today for Clayton and Newton to have it out with snowballs.
Requisitions for new jail just finished ready for meeting of police commissioners. They call for spring mattresses a la Montgomery.
Hurray! Dr. Clayton elected by acclamation as member for Whiting Bay. Two votes were cast and Doc had them all. Two lines in The News calls for thirty-four lines in the morning paper.

NO DAILY NEWS TOMORROW

In keeping with the custom of all Christian countries and in obedience to the law of our land, The Daily News will observe tomorrow as a holiday. In the early days the anniversary of the death of the Father of Christianity was observed as a holy day, a day of penance and sad meditation. But in the natural course of progressive intelligence the holy day has become a holiday, and appears as such upon the statute books of all the nations within the pale of Christianity.