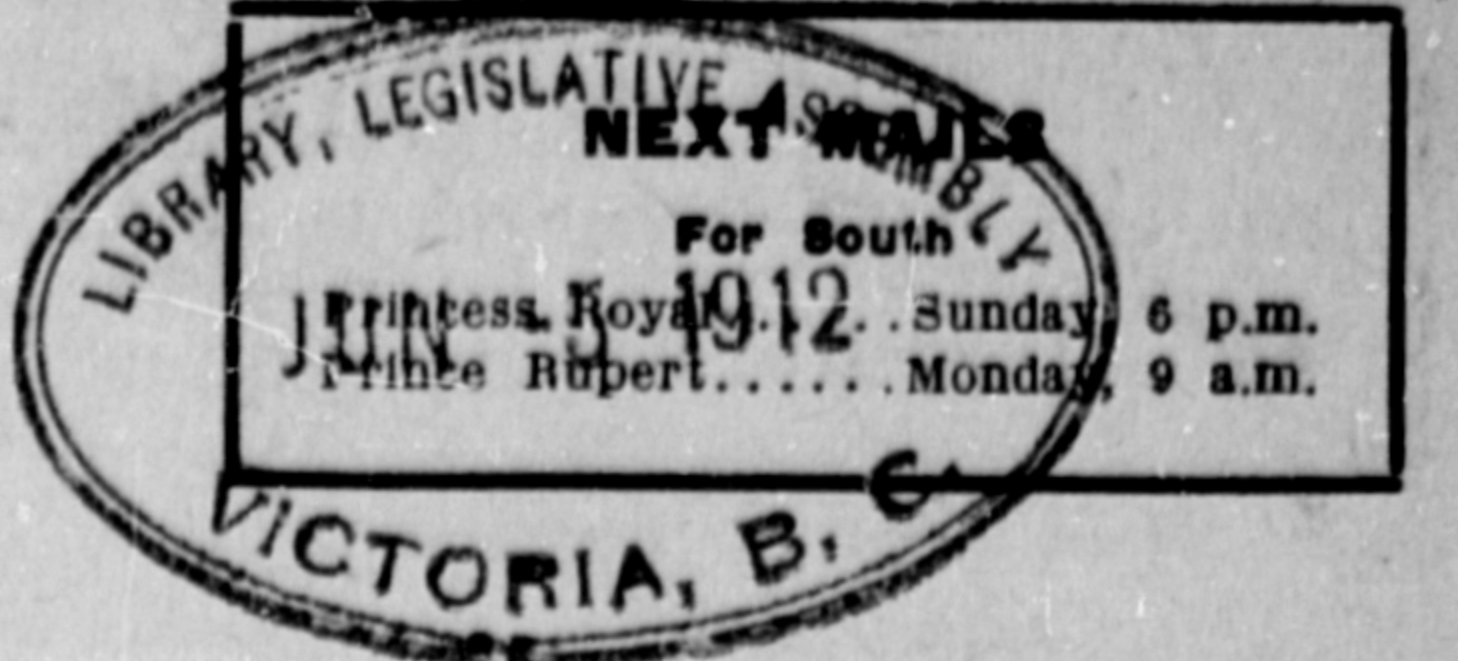


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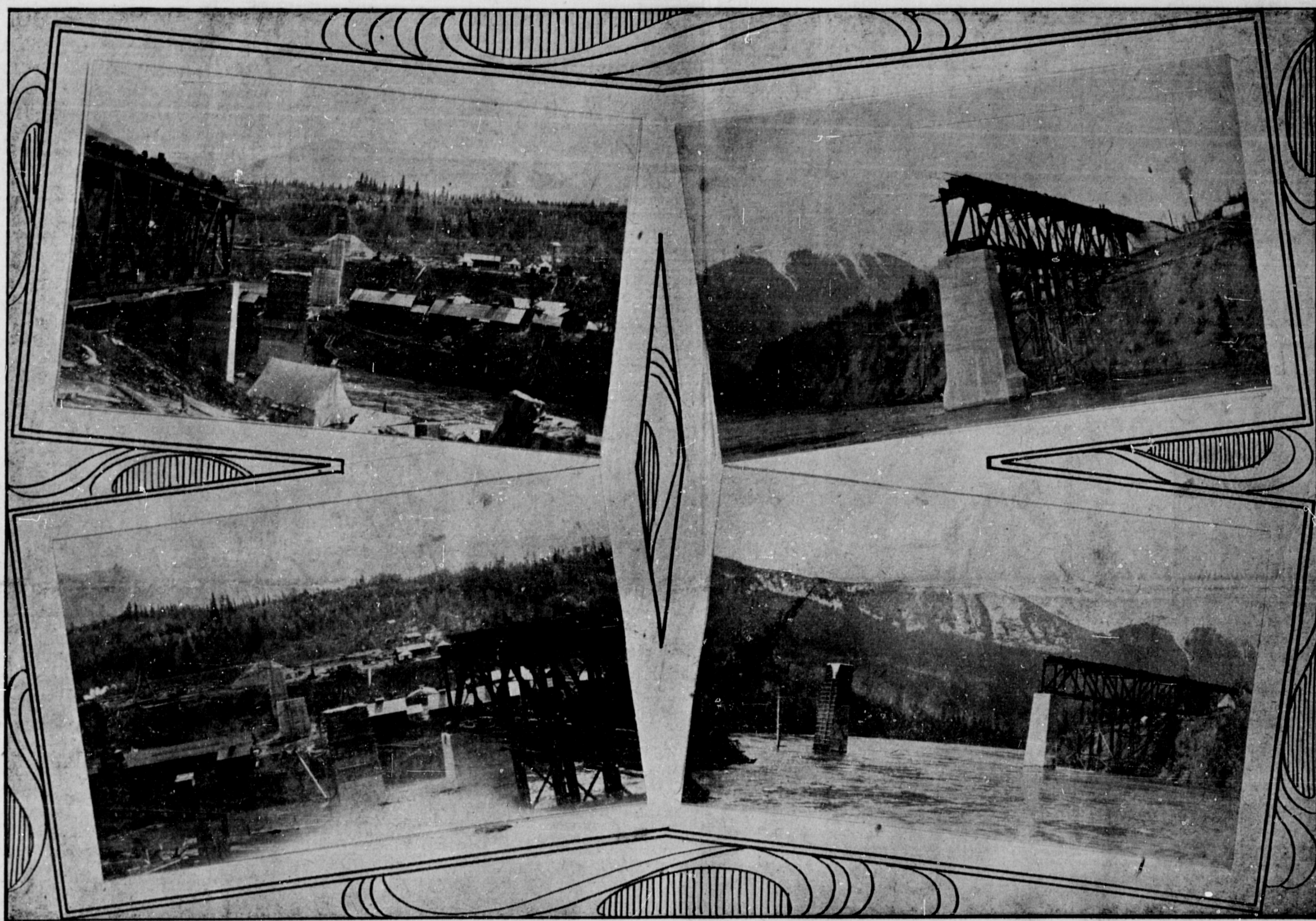
PRINCE RUPERT, B.C., SATURDAY, JUNE 1, 1912.

PRICE FIVE CENTS

EXCLUSIVE NEW SERIES OF IMPORTANT PICTURES

PROGRESS OF GRAND TRUNK PACIFIC BRIDGE AT SKEENA CROSSING

Official Visit Today of the Dominion Railway Commission's Assistant Engineer, A. G. Kerr, With General Superintendent Mehan of the G. T. P. by Special Train---His Favorable Report Means Passenger Service Shortly to Skeena Crossing---The Bridge, the Most Important Undertaking in Western Division of Transcontinental, Will be Complete by July First



The two views on the left are looking south. Those on the right are looking north.

Dimensions of Bridge.—
Total length 942 feet;
three spans of 70 ft.;
three spans of 240 ft.;
from river bottom to
top of bridge 158 ft.;
height of piers 114
feet.

Depth of water in river
at extreme high mark,
45 feet; at extreme low
mark, 18 feet.

Photos by Barney Mulvaney.

Today the Daily News is able to publish the first series of pictures showing the construction of the Skeena Crossing bridge to date. The four splendid pictures which dominate this page were taken specially for the Daily News, and show the great bridge from various points. The pictures show in convincing manner the imposing and magnitude of the undertaking, and also its rapid progress, the record of which has good reason to be a source of satisfaction and credit to General Superintendent Mehan and his bridge building department.

Important Visit Today
The Skeena river bridge, and

the stretch of completed railway track which extends between the Crossing and Prince Rupert, are at present the scene of a most important official visit. By the Prince Rupert this morning there arrived A. G. Kerr, assistant engineer to the Dominion Board of Railway Commissioners. The errand of the Assistant Engineer is to go over and inspect the track as far as the Crossing and to report upon its construction and condition, so that the sanction of the Board may be obtained at once for passenger traffic over this section if everything is in order to satisfy the official eye.

Accompanying Assistant En-

gineer Kerr on the special train which left today is General Supt. Mehan, of the G.T.P., who will suggest to Mr. Kerr that his report to the commission be made by telegraph so that the schedule can be put into force as quickly as possible after Mr. Kerr's examination.

In the event that Mr. Kerr's report is telegraphed to the railway commissioners and they sanction the opening of the line by wire, the G.T.P. new schedule can be expected to be put into operation within a very few days.

This provides that a passenger leaving Prince Rupert on a Wednesday afternoon, for instance, can reach Skeena Cross-

ing by 6 o'clock p.m. and by transferring to river boat will be enabled to arrive in Hazelton by 7 or 8 o'clock the same day.

Bridge Ready July.

By the first of July, in the opinion of General Superintendent Mehan, the Skeena Crossing bridge will be completed. The importance of this to the Hazelton district, and the interior, as well as from the point of view of track-laying through the Bulkley Valley cannot be over-estimated. At present the business of getting of goods into Hazelton is a tedious one, the steamers having to be loaded by a system of wire cable close by the bridge. When freight can be

run direct into Hazelton there will be an enormous saving of time. Steel can also be rushed over the new bridge to the already extensively graded line of the railway through the Bulkley Valley, and the day when the G.T.P. links up will be thus brought nearer. Little wonder that all Prince Rupert and district is intensely interested in the Skeena Crossing bridge.

Construction of Bridge

The bridge is situated at the narrowest, and naturally also the deepest portion of the Skeena River, a few hours drive from Hazelton. Its construction necessitated the use of caissons, and the employment of the hardy

workers known to engineers as "sand-hogs," who did the excavation for the pier foundations. The great piers can be seen in the cuts, and the arduous nature of the work may be roughly estimated. There were difficulties during the building of the piers, labor trouble occurred, but this was of short duration. The piers, as may be seen in the views, are now receiving the great steel girders which have been waiting at Prince Rupert in good time for their need. Everything is progressing rapidly and satisfactorily, and the report of the Railway Commission's Assistant Engineer is confidently expected to be a favorable one.

Caledonian Football Club
The Baptist Brotherhood not being able to get together a sufficiently strong team, owing to most of their players being employed on Saturday nights, it has been decided to postpone their match with the Callies until Tuesday night, when they will put a team in the field who will give the eupholders a hard fight. The Callies will meet at the club

house tonight at 7.30 to play a game from two sides picked by the executive. This game will be a good practice for Tuesday's match.

Pantorium Pioneer Cleaners.
Phone 4.

Strictly fresh Eggs for sale, 745 Fifth avenue, corner of Taylor street.

FREE! FREE! FREE!
A big beautiful 88 key electric player piano, worth \$1,200 given away to the pool players in the Basement pool room, Empress Theatre building.

"A Better Place Than Heaven"

On Sunday evening at 7.30 in the Empress Theatre, Rev. F. W. Kerr is going to preach on "A Better Place than Heaven." On the following Sunday Mother's Day will be observed by the Presbyterian congregation, when every young man will wear a flower in honor of his mother, and an appropriate sermon will be preached.

Presbyterian morning service is held in the church hall on 4th Avenue.

Amateur vaudeville, Westholme Opera House tonight.

ANOTHER HOLD-UP IN VANCOUVER

At Point of Revolver Two Robbers Hold Up a Dozen Men and Take Their Money—Men Were Unmasked.

(Special to Daily News.)
Vancouver, June 1.—One of the most daring robberies under arms took place here last night when two unmasked men held up about a dozen others in two different rooms at 19 Cordova Street West, at the point of revolvers, and took away their money. One man lost \$35 and another \$40. Exactly how much more was taken the police are not able to ascertain.

Prince Rupert's leading hotel—Savoy.

Stalker & Wells cater to your wishes and want to see you. Grocers to the people.

CANADA GETS MAJORITY

(Special to Daily News.)
London, June 1.—Government returns show that during April a total of 27,370 persons emigrated to Canada from the British Isles. To the other Dominions the number was 10,824, and to the United States 43,023.

It is understood that the hotel and restaurant employees of this city established a new scale of wages to take effect today. The management of the Prince Rupert Cafe were the first to sign the new scale. Both the A. F. of L. and the I. L. W. have agreed to this new wage scale.

J. S. Gray returned this morning from an extended business trip to Montreal and other eastern cities.

SAYS FISHERIES WILL BE RUINED

Conference Being Held With a View of Placing Further Restrictions Upon Puget Sound Fisheries.

(Special to Daily News.)
Seattle, June 1.—Commissioner Babcock, of British Columbia, told the members of the Washington State Commission of Fisheries, that with the present lax laws and non-enforcement of them, the fishing industry of Puget Sound will be ruined and depleted within ten years. A conference is being held with the idea of promoting closer and more friendly relations between the fishery departments of B.C. and the State of Washington.

Don't miss seeing the dramatic little sketch, "The Real Cue," at the Westholme Opera House tonight.

BASEBALL SCORES

National
Boston 3-3; Brooklyn 9-8.
Pittsburg 6; Cincinnati 2.
St. Louis 6; New York 1.

American
Detroit 10; St. Louis 9.

Coast
Sacramento 13; Portland 1.
Vernon 5; Oakland 6.
Los Angeles 5; Frisco 2.

SCHOOL BOOK SANITATION

New System Provided for by the Department of Education

It was announced at a meeting of the School Board of Prince Rupert, held yesterday in the Police Court room, that after the summer vacation this year a new system in the method of distributing school books to the pupils would be instituted. The idea is to increase the sanitary precautions of the department in respect to school books.

Under the former system the books were called in from pupils at the end of the session and redistributed indiscriminately as regards former holders of them when next session began. This system has been blamed for the occurrence of epidemics amongst school children, and after the coming holiday season the new plan will be adopted of letting each scholar retain his or her books for use during the next session.

By this plan the risk of spreading infection amongst pupils will be considerably diminished. The new method was announced to the School Board yesterday by circular from the Department.

Matters regarding the staff arrangements and disposition after the holidays will be discussed at a meeting to be held early this month. At yesterday's meeting the usual series of monthly accounts were disposed of.

"The Real Cue" at the Westholme Opera House tonight.

Customs Increase

The comparative total collections for the port of Prince Rupert for May are:

May, 1912.....\$14,916.26
May, 1911..... 13,112.64
The increase for the year 1912 is \$1,848.62.

Take home a quart of ice cream when you go. See Keeley.

Choicest liquors and cigars—Savoy.

WESTHOLME ...OPERA HOUSE...

AMATEUR Vaudeville

Friday and Saturday
May 31st and June 1st

Entire Change of Program

New Songs New Dances
New Pictures

Dramatic Sketch

"The Real Cue"

The Doctor.....
.....G. S. Fitzmaurice
The Detective....A. Stowell
The Thief...W. R. Whitley

Two Shows Each Evening
7:30 and 9 o'clock

Prices: Entire downstairs
25 cts.; balcony 15 cts.
Children 10c.

PRINCE RUPERT TWENTY MINUTES AGO

Red Devil takes up its abode in new quarters this afternoon.
W. Sibbald says Jack Hilditch's Post Office should have been erected on Graft Hill.
J. H. Rogers remarks that the fares to the south may have been raised, but there's somebody going to get a free trip to Seattle at the Westholme tonight.
Finance Minister looking frisky over rumor round that the Bank of Montreal has got a lot of gold in for Prince Rupert.
Vancouver lady visitor who wouldn't believe the rain libel sallies forth with her parasol to try the faith cure.