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HARBOR PLAN WOULD PROVE GREAT HELP

Would Facilitate Securing of Information Required at Short Notice—Harbor By-Laws are Out of Date.

Commissioner Russell gave notice at last Tuesday's meeting of the common council that he would move at the next meeting for authority to spend \$2,500 in having a detailed plan of the harbor, including Courtney Bay, prepared. He also proposes to revise the by-laws and rules where it might be deemed necessary to bring them up to date.

At the present time the city has no plan of the harbor and the shutters and it has been found very hard to get information which is required regarding these things. If the council decides to have the work done it will mean that in a short time the commissioner and harbor master will have a plan which will enable them in a few minutes to furnish any information required about the wharves, either city or private. The by-laws and regulations governing the harbor are most of them very old and in a great many instances out of date. It is proposed to go over them and formulate a new set of regulations and do away with the ones which are obsolete. It is also proposed to look into the matter of rates and compare them with those charged in other cities and even if no change is made the comparison will serve to show whether our rates are higher or lower than those of other ports.

"SISTER SUSIE" ASKS WHAT "IF YOU DO BUST A RIB?"

Another Laugh will Cure It—Plenty of them at Westfield Saturday.

Sister Susie has everything well in hand for Saturday, even to an absolute guarantee of fine weather. Final arrangements were completed last evening for the big tent show on the grounds, the southern colored minstrels having been engaged. It will be of interest to know that the leading man is very prominent on the professional stage, and the fact that he hailed from St. John, and was formerly a prominent amateur here, but adds to the interest. The games arranged for the picnic are too numerous to mention, and include many new and novel stunts. Everything is in readiness for electricity for the fireworks which will be shown about nine thirty. One of the outstanding features of Sister Susie's picnic will be the low price of transportation, return tickets being sold at forty-five cents for adults; twenty-five for children, while the Geneva leaving her wharf at two-thirty and returning at nine-thirty from Westfield, will sell return tickets for fifty cents. These tickets are good for all Saturday suburban trains and the low prices linked with the good times offering, should make Westfield the mecca of thousands Saturday.

OBITUARY.

The death of Mrs. Joseph Brown took place at the General Hospital Tuesday evening, following an illness of two weeks. She formerly resided at Cooper, Me., and came to this city about two years ago with her husband, Joseph Brown, 122 Canterbury street, who survives her. The funeral will take place at 10.30 o'clock this morning from the mortuary chambers of Messrs. N. W. Brennan & Sons, 715 Main street, after the service is held.

Mrs. W. D. Campbell, nee Campbell, of Minot, N. D. Deceased was in poor health and her husband had taken her to Vancouver in hopes that the change of air would improve her health, but she was suddenly taken worse and passed away on Sunday. She was formerly Miss Elliott of Newcastle, and was about 37 years of age and is survived by the following brothers and sisters: Charles Elliott, barrister, Perth, N. B.; Osborne Elliott, Minot, N. D.; Mrs. James Smallwood, Minot, N. D.; Mrs. F. N. Atkinson, Truro, N. B.; Mrs. Graham Jardine, Vancouver, B. C.; Mrs. Chas. Stewart, Unizumba, Natal; Mrs. Fred D. Cheesman, St. John's, Nfld.; Mrs. John Robinson, Jr., and Mrs. R. W. Crocker, Newcastle. The funeral took place today at Vancouver, B. C.

Sarah J. Wilband. The many friends of Sarah J. Wilband, widow of Captain W. A. Wilband, will learn with deep regret of her death which took place at the residence of her son, Robert J. Corb, yesterday, after a short illness, at the advanced age of 72 years. The deceased leaves one son, a daughter and two sisters to mourn their sad loss. The son, Robert, resides in the city, and the daughter, Mrs. Charles d'Arcy, is residing at Morristown, New Jersey. Both sisters reside in the city. They are Mrs. J. Needham and Mrs. Robert Stuart.

Amidst The Scenic Wonders of Great Alaskan Northland

Member of The Standard's Travel Club Sends Another Interesting Story of Some of Picturesque Places Through Which the Party Passed on Trip Northward.

Somewhere on the Pacific Ocean. August 1, 1916.

To The Standard:— Leaving Prince Rupert last Wednesday noon, the members of the Newspaper Travel Club have had seven days on a luxurious Grand Trunk Pacific steamer, without any other change of baggage about, living in attractive rooms with the breezes from the Pacific ocean, dining at an abundantly spread table, enjoying all the fun of a continental party on shipboard where music and merriment are almost continual, plus the luxury of enjoying a tremendous amount of the world's wonderful scenery, an experience which should make every member of the party the envy of all her friends.

Such has been the privilege of the members of the Travel Club since boarding the steamer Prince George for the trip northward to Alaska, and that every one is enthusiastic over the astounding experiences of the past few days needs no reiteration. It has been a trip of far greater wonder than any had dared hope for when the outing began. Some very eloquent descriptive matter has been written of the trip to Alaska, but even the most impassioned description falls so far short of the actual experience that space is wasted in attempting to give any accurate account of the Travel Club sight seeing for the past seven days.

Crossing the continent was an event in itself, and the experience in the Canadian Rockies of the most wonderful and delightful description, but the side trip to Alaska far overshadowed all that had gone before. It was a merry crowd of young ladies that boarded the steamer last Wednesday noon for the trip northward.

Before going any farther it may be said that the trip to Alaska was a good thing for the members of the party for the famous Inside Passage in the way of excellent behavior is true and reliable. During the almost 2,000 miles that the members of the party have had on the Pacific, not half an hour of the time has been spoiled with rough water. Except in crossing Queen Charlotte Sound, which is a very brief run, no rough water can be encountered, because the Inside Passage is guarded by the outer string of islands and the Pan Handle of Alaska, which makes the trip practically like a voyage on a great river.

There never has been a moment when any member of the party has had the slightest excuse for seasickness, not a meal has been missed, and everybody has been ready for all the fun and stirring events of the trip. The party left Prince Rupert in high gear, eager for the scenic wonders of the great Alaskan northland. It was a beautiful morning and the mountain peaks so plainly visible from the deck of the Prince George presented a most attractive and spectacular appearance. The first stop was made at Ketchikan, Alaska, and from the merry manner in which the girls hastened ashore, some one suggested that the place might well be named "Catch-A-Moment." The party had from 7 until 11 p. m., and so high was the sun between 7 and 8 o'clock that many of the party were able to secure excellent snap shots with their batteries of cameras. Ketchikan is a very busy and thriving town, with a peculiar setting of mountains in the background. The streets are very hilly and in many places long flights of steps lead up to terraces on which are built long rows of attractive residences, many of them of bungalow style, very smart and attractive in appearance.

A rushing stream with lots of picturesque rapids runs directly through the town, where the salmon can be seen leaping great numbers at certain seasons of the year. There is a very delightful little park meeting at the foot of a huge mountain and altogether the four hours' stop was none too long for the members of the party to stroll through practically every street of the attractive little town. Practically all the residents turn out to witness the arrival of the steamers from the south, so that our party had a most imposing reception committee on the dock to greet our arrival. The girls of the Travel Club attracted great attention and did not want for interested guides to show them over the attractions of the town.

When sailing time came the girls gathered on deck and sang their "Good Bye Friends" song to the great delight of the assembled crowds, even if it was 11 o'clock steamer time, and

12 o'clock town-time. Even then though the sun had been down for almost two hours, the long twilight had hardly departed and the brilliant electric lights along the streets seemed hardly needed in this land of very close alliance to that of the Midnight Sun.

It was a sight of great beauty when the steamer drew out of the harbor to look back at the attractive town nestled at the foot of the mountains, its electric lights twinkling out like myriad stars in Indian summer night. The placid waters, the deep shadows of the mighty mountains, the brilliant lighting of the northern sky, with Ketchikan rapidly disappearing in the distance, made a picture that no member of the party will ever forget. The introduction to Alaska was a most happy one, and came up fully to everybody's expectations.

Thursday was a day crowded full of the most delightful experiences. There was the wonderful sail northward through the Inside Passage, every hour of which was crowded with new and delightful sensations as the spectacular scenery of the mainland and peninsula presented an instant call; first on one side and then the other of the steamer were wonderful vistas to delight the eye. The towering mountains, many of them snow-capped, the many leaping waterfalls, the valleys and the rivers, the views of distant glaciers, all combined to make a picture no words can do justice to. Many of the islands appeared to be veritable mountain tops rising from their mighty heads up out of the Pacific, nearly all heavily wooded with evergreen and many crested with silver.

No description would be adequate to tell about the delights of the daylight voyage. There was a constant change of scenery and surprises of all kinds were given the delighted members of the party. At 8 a. m. Wrangell, Alaska, was reached, and there was a four hour stop for sight-seeing every moment of which was employed to the best advantage. One of the features was a visit to a salmon cannery where thousands of splendid fresh salmon are put up daily for consumption down south and back east. The girls watched the work in the cannery with the greatest interest and regarded this visit as well worth while from every standpoint. Another point of interest was a visit to one of the oldest totem poles in all Alaska, which are erected in Wrangell, in front of the old time cabin of a noted Indian chief. Grouped about these poles group pictures were taken and many snap shots secured of the historic spot.

Juneau was reached in early evening and there was five hours for sight-seeing in the capital of Alaska, and by far the most interesting town of Alaska. Juneau has a most picturesque setting at the foot of very high mountains which rise very abruptly from almost the water's edge. In fact Juneau from a scenic standpoint attracted more attention from the members of the party than any other Pacific coast point visited. Its wonderful setting with the great mines all about the town make Juneau in a class by itself from a scenic point of view. Alaska's capital had ever seen anything equal to the picturesque appearance of the town. Its appeal is quite irresistible and its beauty of natural setting indescribable. It was one most picturesque ride up the canal to Juneau, and an even more striking, departing for the last portion of the trip northward. The immense mining properties at Juneau and at Treadwell have great mills and very numerous mine buildings which are brilliantly lighted at night with the result that they present a most spectacular appearance. The mines extend an immense distance up the side of the mountain, and no adequate idea can be given of the brilliant illumination effect, so plainly visible from the deck of the steamer.

The members of the party had a very enjoyable stroll about the city and were delighted with all that they saw in Alaska's capital. As a typical mining town, Juneau presents great attractions to the tourist and is a city well worth visiting.

Leaving Juneau for the trip to Skagway was continued, the party arriving at the latter point soon after 6 o'clock Friday morning, all eager to make the most of the two day stop in this, the most northward port of the southern side of the Alaskan Panhandle. The

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COM. WIGMORE MAKES REPLY TO "THE TIMES"

Lancaster Extension will be Made Before Winter, as Promised, if Council Votes Bond Issue.

"I never yet made a promise in my long political career that I did not carry out" was the answer of Commissioner Wigmore when asked by a Standard representative last night in regard to the article in the "Times" re Lancaster water extension, "and if I do not carry this one out it will not be my fault." The commissioner said that he had plans prepared and had submitted them to the council on two ways of increasing the water supply in Lancaster. One called for an expenditure of \$40,000 and was merely a makeshift for a few years, the other called for an expenditure of \$200,000 and would practically solve the difficulty for all time. Personally he was in favor of the larger expenditure, as he believed it would be true economy, but if the council would not vote the bond issue for that amount he was ready to put through the alternative scheme if they would give him the bond issue. He expects Mr. Goldsmith here this week and hopes to be in a position to ask the council to vote on a definite plan of work next week. He intended to keep faith with the people of Lancaster if at all possible as he realized that the water service there was not what it should be and if his brother commissioners would vote the bond issue the work would be done in plenty of time.

FUNERALS.

The funeral of Mr. John Boulter took place at 2.30 o'clock yesterday afternoon from his late residence, 404 Union street. Rev. Hammond Johnson conducted the burial services and interment was made at Fernhill cemetery.

Mrs. J. F. Robertson acknowledges with thanks \$25.30, the proceeds of a sale at Hillandale, per Mrs. W. S. Stephenson. This amount will be forwarded to Nursing Sister Joyce Wishart for the wounded soldiers at Granville Special Canadian Hospital, Ramsgate, England.

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