

CORNER STONE LAID OF NEW DUNCAN HOSPITAL

Grand Master E. B. Paul Laid It With Due Masonic Honors

(Special Correspondence.) Duncan, Oct. 25.—On Saturday last the ceremony of laying the corner stone of the new hospital was performed by E. B. Paul, grand master of the Free Masons of British Columbia, assisted by a number of the officers of the grand lodge of British Columbia.

The weather fortunately was perfect and a large audience was present to witness the ceremony. The visiting Masons were met at the train by members of the local lodge and conducted to the Masonic hall, where a short meeting was held. After lunch a procession was formed by the members of the grand lodge and by the local Masons to the site of the hospital. At the site they were met by members of the King's Daughters and Mrs. Hasell, acting provincial secretary, presented the grand master with a silver gavel and asked him to lay the stone. The Masonic formalities connected with laying the stone then followed. The grand secretary, E. E. Brett, made a statement of the Masonic and other documents which were placed in the cavity in the stone. These include a list of the officers of the order of the King's Daughters, a copy of the Councillor's Leader containing plan and elevation of the building, a certified list of the names and rank of all the officers and brethren of Temple Lodge, No. 23, A. F. & A. M., a copy of the notice to members calling an emergency meeting of the lodge to be held on the most worshipful grand master, officers and members of the most worshipful grand lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of British Columbia.

The stone was then lowered in its place with the proper ceremony. The crowd, of solid silver, specially made by Chaloner & Mitchell, Victoria, bore the following inscription: "Presented to E. B. Paul, Esq., Most Worshipful Grand Master of Masons of British Columbia on the occasion of his laying the foundation stone of the Convalescent Home and Emergency Hospital at Duncan, B. C., October 22, A. D. 1910.

Corn, signifying nourishment, wine, signifying refreshment, and oil, signifying joy were placed on the stone and an invocation was pronounced by the grand master, asking that the building might be long preserved to its uses of mercy. The plans were delivered to an architect, E. Wilson, by the grand master, who said: "Having just as grand master of Masons laid the foundation stone of this structure, I now deliver the plans of the building and the implements of your profession into your hands and entrust you with the superintendence of the work, having every confidence in your skill and ability to complete the mission."

The audience and the Masons then sang the hymn, "O God Our Help in Ages Past," which followed a speech by the past grand orator, W. K. Houston, in the course of which he said: "The purpose for which this building has been erected being the relief of pain and sickness is a particularly worthy one. As on the one hand the people of this district on the inauguration of a Convalescent Home and Emergency Hospital in their midst. First, especially do we tender congratulations and praise to the King's Daughters, who, worthy of their glorious name, have with characteristic zeal been instrumental in bringing about this happy result. And it was a kind thought of the King's Daughters when, on the completion of their work they did not forget the noble lady—the mother of their society in British Columbia—whose death has left a sad blank not only in their society, but also in the whole district; I allude to the late Mrs. Matland-Douglass, with whose bereaved husband, our brother in Masonry, we highly sympathize. It was a kindly thought, I repeat, to dedicate this hospital to her memory. May this building be long preserved to hand that gracious memory down to generations who have not the privilege of knowing her. No more fitting memorial could have been devised to perpetuate the memory of one whose every thought was for the good of humanity and the relief of suffering. In this building it may be truly said: 'She being dead yet speaketh.'"

The grand chaplain pronounced the benediction and the ceremony ended. Canon Leakey, for the King's Daughters, asked the Masons and those present at afternoon tea in the Knights of Pythias hall. One of the Masons then passed around a hat for the building and a good amount was raised for the new hospital.

Dr. P. W. Rolston, on behalf of the medical fraternity, thanked the Masons for their kindly offices and spoke particularly of the use of the emergency ward.

THE CRIPPEN CASE

London, Oct. 26.—A plain statement of the conditions in the Crrippen case at the time Dr. Crrippen alleged his wife was friendly with Bruce Miller of Chicago, was given by the United Press by Miller.

"I first met Mrs. Crrippen at a dinner in London," said Miller. "Our relations always were proper. I kissed her only once and that was in jest. I knew that, although jolly and fun-loving, she stood on high moral grounds, trusting her husband and expecting to be trusted herself."

"I visited her at Crrippen's home when he was there, and he knew our platonic friendship."

"I came to England to vindicate the character of one who is not here to speak for herself. I bear no grudge against Crrippen for using my name. It was like a drowning man catching at a straw."

KAISER VISITS BRUSSELS

Brussels, Oct. 26.—Emperor William of Germany is now the guest of King Albert of Belgium. The Emperor arrived yesterday and was met at the railway station by the King and Queen. He was accompanied by a large staff and was cheered as he passed through the streets, lined with 10,000 troops.

HALIBUT SCHOONER BUFFETED IN GALE

Crew Forced to Throw Cargo of Fish Overboard—Finally Reaches Port

Prince Rupert, Oct. 25.—The large auxiliary engine halibut fishing schooner Princess Victoria put in to Prince Rupert the other night for provisions.

Captain Clark and the owners were aboard, and told of the trying experiences they have come through during the recent heavy weather out of the halibut banks.

The schooner which is dependent upon her sail power more than her gasoline auxiliary engines, in heavy weather, had completed a pretty successful spell on the halibut banks and was about to make for Prince Rupert with a good haul of fish when the gale which has been raging outside and over the city recently swept down on her.

For hours the schooner, as she endeavored to buck against the head wind and heavy sea her auxiliary engines doing their utmost, and the captain, owners, and crew, of eight men all told, working like Trojans to make their port and handling the boat splendidly.

Their best efforts, however, failed to help the schooner make headway against the heavy squalls, and she was running tremendously swept her steadily backwards in spite of the full speed ahead efforts of her gasoline engines. To make progress against the gale by beating under sail was hopeless, and meanwhile valuable hours considering the cargo of fresh halibut were being lost. After repeated stubborn efforts to conquer the elements, warning against them Captain Clark and his men were forced to give up the unequal contest, and the weather hourly getting worse, they had to run for shelter to Port Chester.

Unfortunately there was now no longer any hope of their landing their cargo of fish in marketable condition. The whole lot had to go overboard by the ton, and the toll of the hardy fishermen was wasted.

The Princess Victoria was built at Masset specially for the halibut fishing industry.

GENERAL SYNOD OF ANGLICAN CHURCH

Next Annual Session Will Be Held at Vancouver in Septem-ber, 1911

Vancouver, Oct. 25.—The General Synod of the Anglican church in Canada was held in Vancouver, next September. This interesting announcement was made by Archbishop Pennefather, who, with Mrs. Pennefather, has just returned from a two months' visit to the east.

At the last General Synod the choice between Vancouver and London, Ont., was left to a committee, which decided in favor of London, on the ground of expense and possible small attendance.

The synod numbers about 220 bishops, clergy and laymen and among the latter are some of the most prominent professional and business men in Canada.

U. S. COMPANY WINS Decision in Long-Standing Dispute Over Privileges in Venezuela

The Hague, Oct. 25.—The International Court of Arbitration has rendered its decision in the Orinoco claims. The Barge award is declared null on four points, and the American company is awarded \$46,887, and 3 per cent. interest from June 16, 1903, and \$30,000 costs. The judgment is to be paid by Venezuela within two months.

The tribunal recognized the American contention on the other points in favor of the American company. The United States presented the case for the steamship company.

INDUSTRY FOR FORT GEORGE

Fort George, Oct. 25.—The Fort George Lime & Cement Co., recently organized, will have headquarters on Central avenue, Port George. The works of the company are already established at Stuart Lake and will be in charge of Samuel H. Senkpiel, who is an experienced lime burner.

STORM SWEEPS NORTHERN COAST

Number of Bridges Destroyed Near Prince Rupert—Small Boats Wrecked

Vancouver, Oct. 26.—Destructive storms are sweeping the north coast of British Columbia and Alaska, according to advice from Prince Rupert. Strong winds and heavy rains are being have in the vicinity of the terminus of the Grand Trunk Pacific, bridges being swept away and telegraph and telephone lines torn down by wind and landslides. So far as has been heard, no lives have been lost.

The storm has continued since last Wednesday, and the damage done by it has been great, particularly in the vicinity of Prince Rupert.

Last Wednesday the Kyax bridge, one of the biggest on the Grand Trunk Pacific railway, near Prince Rupert, was washed out for about two miles. The government telegraph lines along the Skeena river suffered a great deal, a mile of poles and wire being taken away by landslides. The cables and offices along the line in this particular section had a foot of water on the floors. The highest tide of the year occurred on that day, the water rising to within a few feet of the Prince Rupert wharf.

As a result of the storm Prince Rupert's waterfront was devastated for miles, boats and bathhouses being carried away wrecked and battered about. The telegraph crews and extra gangs are now trying to cope with the situation as best they can, and frequently necessary for power supplies more than usual care is taken to escape detection. No long distance telegraph government confidential information was particularly hard at work to repair the damage done. The railroad line was particularly badly for the storm, as the ballasting had not been started. In a number of places the work trains were completely stalled.

ESPIONAGE IN TIMES OF PEACE

HOW CONTINENTAL NATIONS WATCH OTHERS Spies Are Constantly at Work Endeavoring to Ferret Out Information

Berlin, Oct. 25.—An ex-officer who was formerly employed in the intelligence department of the war office of a continental power has made some interesting revelations on the methods of military espionage in time of peace.

The methods employed are much the same in all continental states, and it is, therefore, possible to give a general account of this important branch of the work of preparing for war. The work of espionage in time of peace is superintended by a central bureau connected with the headquarters staff, and the principal auxiliaries are the military attachés at foreign capitals, consuls in foreign ports, and spies, and persons who from time to time sell information which they have been able to obtain.

The central bureau collects first of all information which is accessible to anyone about the general conditions of defenses, communications and ordinary features of rival military powers, and material thus collected is kept up to date by the addition of newspaper cuttings on the respective subjects. A large staff is employed to read the newspapers of all the military states and to cut out and translate any items of interest to the headquarters staff.

FOUND DROWNED

Nanaimo, Oct. 25.—The funeral of Samuel Booth, the man whose body was found floating in the waters of the harbor on Friday last, took place Sunday.

An inquest for the purpose of inquiring into the cause of death was held last night by Coroner Davis.

Provincial Constable Hannay gave evidence as to having been informed of the finding of the body. Measurements of the body were taken, also several photographic views, and pieces of clothing, etc., for future identification.

GIVEN FIVE YEARS FOR MANSLAUGHTER

Sentence Passed on Alphonse Ricker at Close of Assizes at Vancouver

Vancouver, Oct. 25.—Eleven prisoners faced Mr. Justice Murphy in the assizes court and were awarded the penalties of their misdeeds, following convictions by juries at the assizes just closed.

BOY ENDS HIS LIFE

Abdeen, Wash., Oct. 25.—Frank Kebo, aged 14 years, hanged himself in the women's ward of the city jail. The body was found when supper was carried into the ward.

HUNTER ACCIDENTALLY SHOOTS HIMSELF

Hugh Hart, of New Westminster, Wounded in Legs, Bleeds to Death

New Westminster, Oct. 25.—The first hunting fatality of the season in this district occurred on Saturday, when Hugh Hart, a Westminster man, bled to death after being shot by his own gun.

STORMY SESSION OF LICENSE BOARD

Prince Rupert Has a Peculiar Situation as Result of This

Prince Rupert, Oct. 25.—At a stormy session of the license board his worship the mayor voting alone, decided to grant licenses to Corley & Burgess in the Royal hotel premises, and A. J. Prudhomme. The regularity of the proceeding is being called in question and will probably have to be settled.

The situation created was a peculiar one. Of the three commissioners, Ald. Smith was absent, only two being present, Mayor Stork and J. E. Merryfield. Mr. Merryfield desired an adjournment until Ald. Smith returned. His worship on the other hand wished to go on with the applications.

Mr. Merryfield moved an adjournment, which was voted against by the mayor. The mayor thereupon declared the motion lost and after some further discussion his worship proceeded to take the Corley & Burgess application. Mr. Merryfield protested against dealing with any of them, but his worship was equally determined to proceed and in the end cast a ballot for it and declared the license granted.

PERNIE ELECTION RETURNS

Fernie, Oct. 25.—Complete returns from Saturday's election show a majority for Hon. W. R. Ross, minister of lands, over Mr. J. W. Bennett, Socialist, 34 votes in a total of 143.

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VERNON, OCT. 25.—THE THIRD TRIAL of Walker and Chitney, for murder, which took place here before Mr. Justice Gregory, ended in acquittal. The result is a personal triumph for their counsel, James Henderson. The men were charged with the murder of an Indian woman in a debauch near Queen's. Tried at that place they were found guilty, but Henderson argued an appeal before the Court of Appeal in Victoria and secured a new trial. A second trial at Queen's ten days ago ended in a disagreement. The jury then got a chance of venue to this county.

LIFE SAVING STATION AT HOSMER MINE

Apparatus Available for Use at Michel or Coal Creek Collieries

Fernie, Oct. 25.—R. F. Tolmie, deputy minister of mines, and F. H. Shepherd, chief mine inspector of the province, have just completed the establishment of the first life-saving station in the province since the recent passage of the act authorizing the adoption of the system.

Hosmer has the honor of being the first place where the station is established. Others will follow at Middleberg and at Nanaimo.

The system consists chiefly of a Draeger oxygen apparatus for the purpose of resuscitating the lives of miners and superintending to do away temporarily overcome by deadly gases in mines after explosions or other unforeseen accidents.

Mr. Justice Murphy remarked that it was an unfortunate fact that people who break the law cause others to suffer as well as themselves.

CRUSHED TO DEATH

New Westminster, Oct. 25.—George Cornell, an employee of the North Pacific Lumber Company at Barnet, was killed by being caught under a rolling log. Cornell had a brother resident at Port Moody, until recently, when he removed to Oregon.

NELSON LICENSE BY-LAW

Nelson, Oct. 25.—The city council at a recent meeting carried by Ald. Rutherford's trades license by-law till their parent could hardly recognize it.

By-law No. 217, to amend by-law No. 64, the latter known as the trades license by-law, 1900, was introduced by Ald. Rutherford and was considered in committee of the whole, which is understood to mean "closed doors."

Section 1 was designated to raise the saloon license fee from \$250 to \$375. Ald. Rutherford refraining from going the limit, \$500, so that it could not be any possibility be knocked out on the ground of being "prohibition of saloons" in a disguised form. Clause 2 was designated to raise the license fee for hotels from \$150 to \$225. Ald. Rutherford stating that he wished to raise this fee so that he could be held in charge of discrimination. The third clause imposed a license fee for \$100 for every six months, upon transient real estate men.

All that was left of the by-law was clause 3, which was enacted in the following terms: "Section 1 of the said trades license by-law, 1900, is hereby amended by adding thereto the following subsection: "(3). From any transient real estate agent or land agent who either on his own behalf or as agent for another or others, sells, solicits or takes orders for the sale or transfer of lands situate outside the municipality, the sum of \$100 for every six months. Transient real estate agent or land agent shall mean and include any such agent who does not occupy premises within the municipality or who, if occupying premises within the municipality, and Vancouver, or who, if occupying premises within the municipality, is not a real estate agent or land agent in the municipality for not less than one year."

LOST IN THE WOODS

Nanaimo, Oct. 25.—Further reports of the experiences of young Ross of Cumberland, who was lost in the woods for four days, indicate that he had been wandering in the woods for several days. His companions he had but ten cartridges and a few matches. He shot a deer and carried it around until he was nearly exhausted, and eventually he was found by his companions. He walked for four days and nights with absolutely nothing to eat, spending most of his time in a swamp, and endeavored to find a log, which he decided to rest beside. As he lay there the moss looked warm and inviting, but just as he was about to throw himself upon the ground he was startled by carrying off a log. He was found by his companions, who were carrying cartridges had run out. He was barely able to make his way to the No. 7 mine before collapsing. Here he was found by his friends and carried home, where he is now recovering from his terrible condition. His legs and arms being badly swollen, and his feet cut from heat and frost. He is still confined to his bed as the result of his experiences.

WEEKLY REVIEW OF THE CHARTER MARKET

Demand for Steam and Sailing Firm

With a continued good demand for both steam and sailing tonnage, thereby lessening the effect of the Pacific coast market, the situation here shows a continuing recovery. The charter market is still active, with a steady demand for steam tonnage. The market is well cleared up by the chartering of the British Columbia grain trade, making a rather outlook for the wandering firm tonnage. There is still a demand for grain to be shipped to the Pacific coast, and a sufficient tonnage has been secured thus far, although immediate care for rates may be expected to rule firm, while an advance in rates is not probable.

LIBERAL ASSOCIATION

M. B. JACKSON Will Address the Tertiary Meeting.

M. B. Jackson will be the speaker at the regular quarterly meeting of the Liberal Association to be held in the Sir William Wallace on Friday evening. Mr. Jackson's former ability to so favorably meet the local Liberals in large numbers is a pleasure to hear of, and it is to be hoped that his address will deal with the broad principles of Liberalism, with little or no reference to local conditions, and that the business of importance will be transacted.

PUBLICITY

"The advertisements speak for themselves." "Yes," replies the sensitive worldly; "they couldn't be more wasteful if they were discussing the merits of a new kind of Washington Star."

LE ROI MINE AND SMELTER TO BE SOLD

Announcement Made by A. J. Macmillan, Managing Director of Corporation

Vancouver, Oct. 25.—The historic Le Roi mine, once the banner producer of Rossland, and its smelter at Northport, Washington, just south of the international boundary, are for sale. An announcement to this effect, made by the Le Roi Mining Co., a British corporation, made the announcement here yesterday. Mr. Macmillan, at a recent meeting of the directors held in London, was appointed sole liquidator, and was authorized to dispose of the properties to the best advantage. He will leave to-day for Rossland.

A small working force is still at work. Extensive exploratory work was carried out during the past two years but failed to locate any ore of value. Thousands of dollars were expended in diamond drilling and other underground work. The mine has large reserves on various levels, but the values being low and the cost of extraction and treatment being considerable, the question of securing a profit was considered very problematical.

"The assets of the company are not in bad shape. It does not owe a cent, and there is a balance in the bank. The assets, exclusive of the mine, comprise the most complete mining plant in existence, costing as it did, probably nearly one million dollars," said Mr. Macmillan to-day.

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