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EMPIRE HOTEL CHANGES HANDS

Johnson Street Property Realizes $47,000—Inquiry For Acreage

Chief among the latest realty transactions which have passed through the market was the sale of the Empire hotel on Johnson street for the sum of $47,000. The property was purchased about a month ago by P. Criddle and sold by him to the Victoria Phoenix Brewing company. The lease of the hotel with all the furniture, fittings, good will, etc., have been purchased from Alex Lapsky by Messrs. Grant and Graham of Vancouver, the partners who recently acquired the equity in the Victoria hotel. Messrs. Grant and Graham propose to make extensive alterations in the Empire hotel their investment already amounting of $9,000. The new managers are now in possession and will set about a process of renovation within the next few weeks.

The agents anticipate that the next week or two will see a considerable demand for acreage just outside the city limits. Investors are already showing a tendency towards this class of property, anticipating that the certain growth of the city will mean a considerable enhancement in the values of land just lying beyond the present city limits. Arrivals from the northwest are also on the lookout for fruit farming acreage within easy reach of the local market, and a brisk movement in acreage will probably take place during the next few days.

Swinerton and Musgrave report the sale of a seven-roomed house and two lots on Niagara street, a six roomed house and a lot on Market street, one acre of land on the Saanich road, a three-quarter acre lot on Glasgow St., and a lot on Shakespeare Road.

The Island investment company reports the sale of two lots in the north end of the city, one in the Empress subdivision, and the other on Queens avenue; a house on Queens Avenue; a lot on Princess avenue and two lots on the corner of Quadra and Princess avenue.

Many Transfers.

Heisterman ond Forman since Monday last have put through two lots on Prior street; two lots on Fifth street; an acre of ground on Niagara street in the James Bay district. In connection with the latter sale three lots in the acre subsequently resold. The same firm sold 65 acres in Saanich; three lots on Elford street, the total sales aggregating between $25,000 and $30,000.

Brick Yard Property.

That some interests have their attention firmly fixed on Douglas street property is apparent from the fact that within the past month owners of acreage in the vicinity of the brick yard section have been approached and substantial offers made to them. Three weeks ago, James Baker sold eighteen acres of his brick yard property to his stepson George Baker who is said to be acting for Vancouver investors. Recently George Baker purchased an acre of property lying on Douglas street, almost opposite the brick yard of J. Elford and in the vicinity of his former purchase, from John W. Speed. The amount of the consideration is not stated, but the price is said to have been a good one and at a substantial advance over the values which have hitherto prevailed. The rumor that a railway corporation is endeavoring to secure land for terminals in the northern portion of the city, in the vicinity of the brick yard section, has resulted in a decided increase in activity in realty in that direction.

Eight Hour Bill

OTTAWA, Jan. 21.—A special committee of the Commons took up Mr. Verville's bill for an eight-hour day on all public works. At the suggestion of the minister of labor, the committee accepted the services of Prof. Skelton, of Queen's University, to assist in research work. The secretary of the committee reported that a considerable number of letters with expressions of opinion on the bill had been received. Manufacturers and trade and navigation interests were opposed to it, while agricultural, stock raisers, and similar organizations were not very favorable.

A midnight row at Ladysmith a few days since culminated in revolver shots alarming the neighborhood, and later in the appearance of John Pogorley in the police court, charged by George Martin with having used the gun with the intention of doing him grievous harm.

Mr. J. A. Cockburn, from Glasgow, Scotland, is enjoying a visit to Victoria.

MORE SEATS ARE CHANGED

Gain of Ten Counted for Unionists in Contests of Yesterday

SOUTHERN COUNTIES GIVE THEM SUPPORT

Liberals Now Much Afraid of Coalition Being Left in Minority

LONDON, Jan. 21.—From returns received up to a late hour tonight, the status of the various parties in the general elections in progress is: Unionists, 184; Liberals, 159; Laborites, 32; Nationalists, 58.

Gains: Unionists, 81; Liberals, 19; Laborites, 1.

From the returns announced of today's voting, the Unionist gained ten seats and the Liberals none.

In today's polling, Reginald McKenna, first Lord of the Admiralty, was returned victorious over R. G. M. Carmichael, Unionist, for Abergavenny, Monmouthshire, and Wm. Abraham, Laborite, was re-elected for Rhondda Valley, Glamorganshire, by the enormous majority of 8,965.

The political tide continues to drift towards Conservatism. Forty-eight constituencies declared their choice today, and the positions of the opposing armies tonight are practically where they were last night, the Tories slowly forcing the Radicals backwards. There is hardly a question that the Irish will hold the whip over Premier Asquith in the coming parliament, and that it will be a critical and exciting sessions.

The Unionists have made steady gains on the popular vote almost throughout England, and to a much less extent in Scotland and Wales, but all the parties and factions of parties claim that the results are a vindication of their policies.

"Broadly speaking," says the Nation tonight, "the force and direction of the two great electoral currents are clear. The North stands out against the South; Scotland, Wales, Yorkshire, Lancashire and the northeastern corners of England against the Midlands, Home counties and the nearly solid southern counties."

The Unionists claim that the result is a victory for tariff reform. The Liberals deny it stubbornly. They declare that the feudal status of the counties is responsible for the Conservative gains, and charge the triumphant landlords, the church and the publicans with overawing their dependents and followers by practicing widespread intimidation and threatening them with loss of work. From the opposition point of view, the Conservatives of the counties are loyal to the House of Lords.

The Home Rule question, with the Nationalists as the dominant party in the alliance in the new parliament, will become inveated with an importance it has not had during the campaign, where it was kept in the background. Mr. Asquith declared during the campaign that the Liberals would be free in the new parliament, as they were not in the old, to support a measure for full self-government to Ireland purely on Irish affairs and subject to the maintenance unimpaired of the supremacy of the Imperial parliament. The Irish people generally had construed the promise of Mr. Asquith to mean more than this, and protests are being raised among the Home Rulers. It is probable that a home rule bill will be introduced but not pressed at the coming session, and that the attention of the government will be concentrated on the budget.

Places for Jos. Albert Pease, the chief Liberal whip, Sir Henry Norman, assistant postmaster general, and for Col. J. E. B. Seeley, Under secretary for the colonies, whose constituents snowed him under, may soon be found ones, by the promotion of Herbert Gladstone to the governor generalship of South Africa and the others by the shelving of some of the older ministers by raising them to the peerage.

J. A. Bryce, brother of the ambassador to the United States, was supported by a large majority in Inverness burghs. Rudolph C. Lehmann, the famous oarsman, and Lewis Vernon Harcourt are among the prominent Liberals elected by the returns.

Mr. Clabon, a Canadian and a leading speaker for Joe Martin, just returned from a stumping tour in Suffolk says that the leaders were relying on old age pensions alone to hold the counties. Liberal disasters were explained in part by the theory that the quiet Unionist tariff reform campaign in the counties was even more effective than the noisy tariff reform campaign in the boroughs. Lloyd-George and Churchill made little appeal to the rural voters.

The results of the county polls, so far as declared, has, according to a prominent Liberal, "staggered us."

It is not denied that the results are very serious. If the Conservatives win another thirty seats the balance of power will be in the hands of the Irish Nationalists, and some Liberals do not deny that the position of affairs in that case would be one of great difficulty and gravity.

Liberals attribute their defeat in the counties first to landlords warning their employees that if the Liberals were returned they would be dismissed, and second to the fact that clergymen have being doing all possible in order to prevent a settlement of educational question on national lines.

The success in industrial centres led the Liberals to hope for a series of victories in the agricultural constituencies, but the results show that they have good reason for disappointment.

In the Saffron Walden division of Essex, J. A. Pease, chief Liberal whip, was defeated by Col. D. J. Probyn, Unionist. He was mobbed by a crowd of Unionists and had to be protected by the police.

In Colne Valley division of Yorkshire, Victor Grayson, the noted Socialist, lost his seat to Rev. Charles Leach, Liberal. Capt. A. B. Carpenter, Unionist, was the third candidate.

Train Held Up

ST. LOUIS, Mo., Jan. 21.—A Missouri Pacific train from Kansas City was held up by four masked men between Glencoe and Eureka tonight. The four men mounted the cab and after binding the engineer and fireman detached the mail and express car. The engine crew then ran the locomotive into St. Louis and gave the alarm. The passenger coaches are still near the scene of the hold-up, and it is not yet known what has become of the other cars. The express car is said to contain $10,000 in currency. A special train was made up in St. Louis to go to the scene. Outgoing trains on the lines are held up until the missing cars are found.

Negro Murderer Lynched.

NEW ORLEANS, Jan. 21.—A special from Jackson, Miss., says that Sheriff Hubbard, of Simpson county, Miss., and a citizen by the name of Magee were shot dead by a negro whom they were attempting to arrest near Magee today. When the news spread of the killing of the two white men, a posse was formed and the negro was run down and killed.

Following Canada's Lead.

BOSTON, Jan. 21.—One of the results of the recent visit here of the Canadian minister of labor Mackenzie King, is a bill for the adoption of the Canadian labor law in the settlement of disputes, which was introduced in the legislature today. The measure replaces the present board of conciliation and arbitration by a state board of labor.

Little Child Killed.

HALIFAX, Jan. 21.—News of a shocking accident comes from Meadowvale, Pictou county. The five-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Goodwill Clarge of that place was playing at the time her grandfather was chopping wood. When he was in the act of bringing the axe down, the little one suddenly ran beneath it, receiving the blow on her neck, nearly severing her head from her body. Death was instantaneous.

Trade in Canada.

NEW YORK, Jan. 21.—Bradstreet's state of trade tomorrow will say: Belief is an exceptionally good trade year is very firm in Canada, and therefore travelling salesmen are finding it quite easy to induce merchants to buy liberally. Spring orders are coming in freely. However, some of the larger eastern concerns are cautious about booking every order offered. Business failures number 44 for the week, which compares with 44 last week and 40 in the same week of 1909.

LIVELY TIMES IN COMMITTEE

Inquiry Into Richibucto Scandal Leads to Exchange of Epithets

OTTAWA, Jan. 21.—The case of the famous sawdust wharf at Richibucto, N. B., purchased by the government for $5,000, which has been engaging the attention of the public accounts committee, was brought to an end today after an exciting meeting, in which epithets such as "coward" were freely handed out. The case will be reported to the House, and a lively discussion is likely to arise when Mr. Crockett, of York, N. B., brings it up.

An episode which was full of interest occurred right at the conclusion of today's meeting. As the committee was breaking up Dr. Reid, of Grenville, exclaimed that he believed perjury had been committed, and that action should be taken to prosecute some one. The spectacle had been witnessed by men in the box swearing the exact opposite to each other. He would bring the matter before the House and the attorney-general of Ontario should be moved to make an example of some one.

Mr. Pugsley said it was open to him to take proceedings, whilst F. B. Carvell, who throughout this case has acted as Mr. Pugsley's personal counsel, exclaimed that no self-respecting barrister would say what Dr. Reid had. It was a fearful statement to make.

"It is a statement I will make in the House of Commons," retorted Dr. Reid. In the hubbub Mr. Carvell was heard to say that it was a cowardly thing to do under privilege of parliament what a member would not do as a private citizen. Dr. Reid should make a definite charge against someone of perjury. The incident then closed, but the exchanges were decidedly vitriolic.

Richard O'Leary, who sold the sawdust wharf to T. O. Murray, who in turn sold it to the government, testified as to the value of wharves, waterfront lots, etc., in Richibucto. Even A. and R. Logie, who had written the minister that the sawdust wharf was worth more than $5,000, had frequently bought waterfront lots with wharves and dwellings at prices ranging from $50 to $275. The population of the place was but 700, and had not changed in 25 years.

J. D. Irving, of Richibucto, admitted he had offered $700 for another wharf in that town, and ultimately it had changed hands at $750. He hoped to sell that wharf to the government. Mr. Irving admitted that he was an active worker for the Liberal campaign in Kent county, and that he had received over $2,000 in rent for a steam engine, worth possibly $5,000, and had for some time received $2 a day for a scow worth about $150. He thought $5,000 was a "fair price" for the sawdust wharf.

Mr. Pugsley also testified stating that yesterday his chief engineer had showed him a letter and a marked cheque for $5,000 from A. and R. Logie.

GOTCH CONFIDENT JEFF WILL WIN

NEW YORK, Jan. 21.—Frank Gotch, the world's wrestling champion, declares that Jeffries will outlast Johnson in their battle next July and will win easily in a long go.

"Johnson's defensive style of fighting will prove his undoing," says Gotch in a statement given out here today. "Jeffries' endurance is as good as it ever was. The other day we wrestled for half an hour and he finished fully as strong as I did. I was able to pin him down but once. This should show how great is his strength, because he knows little of the wrestling game.

"Two months ago I was one of the doubters. But I have grown to know that Jeffries is honest and determined and is working as hard as any man can to get into shape. And he is getting into shape so rapidly that it surprises even his best friends."

BUDGET TALK IS WOUND UP

House of Commons Gets Down to Consideration of Estimates

NAVAL PROGRAMME TO COME UP SOON

Member for Frontenac Exposes Favoritism to Sir R. Cartwright

OTTAWA, Jan. 21.—The Budget debate, which has had one foot in the grave for so many days now, passed quietly away tonight in the presence of a handful of members, who did not seem at all sorry to see the last of the annual talk. The house immediately went into committee of ways and means, but came right out again and adjourned.

The way is now open for progress in supply, and it is now expected that the second reading of the naval bill will be called, and the floodgates of oratory thrown open on the vexed question for some time yet. The chief business before the members for the next few days will probably be on the estimates, of which Mr. Pugsley and his whole pages of items are to be the first.

After three attempts in three days, Mr. Loggie finally succeeded in concluding his speech, and his persistence in trying to fulfil his ambition was greeted with a round of applause from the Opposition, a novelty which the veherable member for Northumberland seemed to enjoy. He lauded the management of the Intercolonial, and scoffed at the idea that there was such a thing as patronage in connection with the government's administration of the road. He supported the policy of spreading public works all over Canada, and praised Mr. Fielding as one of the finest business men which Canada has ever produced.

Sir Richard's Favors.

In his speech, Dr. Edwards declared that the present tariff discriminated against the Canadian farmer. While the Liberals professed to be the free trade party, they had no man to stand up to defeat a resolution of Dr. Sharpe, calling for a duty on agricultural implements. Dr. Edwards also brought up the matter of the rental to Sir Richard Cartwright of a portion of the Barrlefield common at an absurdly low figure. Seventy-five acres had been leased to a member of Sir Richard Cartwright's family for $79. Later one hundred acres were leased to Miss Cartwright for $42, making a total of $102. This was well known to be valuable land.

Sir Richard had also complained that the noise of the rifle butts disturbed the sylvan quiet of his summer residence. Thereupon the ranges were moved some distance away at a cost to the people of Canad of $12,158. That was an absolute waste of money. He concluded with a strong condemnation of the government policy regarding naval and military affairs. He resented the attempts of the Liberals to belittle Mr. Borden, "simply because they are afraid of him." Mr. Borden, in Dr. Edwards' opinion stood out in strong contrast to the vacillating Premier, who was playing like a child with a "tin pot navy," and posing as a patriotic hero.

Dr. Edwards was loudly cheered at the conclusion of his fighting speech.

E. R. Nesbitt, of North Oxford, declared that the tariff was not framed to protect the Canadian farmer, and the latter did not want any protection at the expense of the consumer.

FIFTEEN MEN DIE IN TUNNEL

Premature Explosion of Nitro-Glycerine on Aqueduct Works

FISHKILL LANDING, N. Y., Jan. 21.—Fifteen men, three of them Americans, were killed late this afternoon by a premature explosion of nitro-glycerine in a tunnel which is to form part of the great aqueduct which will carry water from Ashokan dam in the Catskills to New York city.

Five men were terribly mutilated, but were so near the mouth of the tunnel that they were rescued alive. The other fifteen were found beneath a mass of rock and debris just a bleeding mass.

The cause of the explosion had not been ascertained tonight, but it is believed that one of the workmen, carrying a torch fell, igniting a fuse and setting off a series of charges of nitro-glycerine which had been placed preparatory to an exodus from the tunnel.

JUDGE RECOMMENDED FOR VANCOUVER SHOW

At the annual meeting of the British Columbia Fox Terrier club, which took place at Vancouver a few days ago, it was unanimously decided to hold a one-day show in the late summer or autumn, Thanksgiving day being a probability. E. C. Powell, the secretary, was thanked heartily for his untiring energy and enterprise in the forwarding of the kennel affairs of the city, and it was the consensus of opinion that the year 1910 would be scarcely long enough to permit of all the projects to the improvement and in behalf of the welfare of the fox terrier being carried out. A discussion as to who would be the most suitable judge for the Vancouver Kennel club's spring show took place, a decision being reached to recommend Lieut. A. C. Stewart, of Aberdeen, Scotland, for the fox terrier classes, Mr. Colin F. Jackson being second choice. Officers then were elected as follows: President, T. M. McAuliffe; vice-president, W. Gordon; secretary-treasurer, E. C. Powell; executive committee, P. P. Bostock, H. D. Brunes, R. P. Forshaw, W. D. Patterson, and T. B. Chappell.

HANS WAGNER MAY RUN FOR CONGRESS

Celebrated Baseball Player Wanted to Run on Democratic Ticket in Pittsburg

PITTSBURG, Pa., Jan. 21.—Hans Wagner is a possibility for congress. In looking for some person to defeat Representative Barchfield, who has become unpopular the politicians have settled upon the star shortstop to do the trick. They had intended to run Carl Cappel, delegate to the last national convention, but the enemies of Cappel have developed unlooked-for strength, and Honus is to be the compromise.

"Ted" Dillon, a local democratic leader, started the boom for Wagner, who is a republican, and the independent republicans, as well as many in the party fold, have taken kindly to the idea.

"Me run for congress?" Wagner questioned when the subject was broached to him. "I know more about running for first base."

Wagner has not declined to be the standard-bearer, however.

SUSIE M. PLUMMER SIGHTED BY ENA

Derelict Lumber Schooner in Southern Waters—No Signs of Crew

SAN PEDRO, Jan. 21.—The steamer Princess Ena, arriving here from British Columbia with fertiliser, reports having sighted, January 15, at two in the afternoon, the derelict schooner Susie M. Plummer, in lat. 48.22 north and long. 127.19 west. The derelict's deck was two feet above water. The Plummer was from Everett, Wash., for San Pedro, and was first sighted Dec. 22 by the Japanese steamer Kaga Maru a day out from Victoria. The Minnesota, from Seattle, sighted the Plummer the next day. Both steamers reported the position of the derelict by wireless, but all efforts of tugs to locate her were unsuccessful. Nothing has been heard of the crew of the vessel.

Queen's Own to Go.

OTTAWA, Jan. 21.—A dispatch has been received from the Colonial Office, London, announcing the acceptance by the army council of the offer of Col. Sir Henry Pellatt, second regiment, Queen's Own Rifles, Toronto, to take that regiment to England next autumn for the purpose of participating in the manouvers. It is stated that His Majesty's government has great pleasure in accepting Sir Henry Pellatt's generous offer.

PURI PUTS IN TO COLOMBO

Encountered Monsoon in Indian Ocean After Leaving Bombay, and is Making Repairs.

The steamer Puri bought from the Indian railroads company by the Mackenzie Steamship company, has put into Colombo, on her way to Victoria, to have some repairs made, following her encounter with a monsoon in the Indian Ocean, after sailing from Bombay for this port. The Puri left Bombay last month, and ran into heavy weather. She put into Colombo, Ceylon.

Captain S. F. Mackenzie of the Mackenzie Steamship company, now in the city said he had received no details regarding the Puri. He did not think she was much damaged. She had put into Columbo, and was expected to sail about the beginning of next month from the Ceylon port for Japan, where she would coal and proceed across the Pacific to Victoria.

The Puri is intended for the Victoria-Vancouver-Seatle route. She is named after an Indian village.

CAPT. NICHOLSON GOING TO ENGLAND

Will Consult With General Manager at Winnipeg Regarding Coast Steamship Lines.

Captain Nicholson, marine superintendent of the G. T. P., who left for Seattle this morning by the Princess Victoria, stated that he will proceed at once to Winnipeg, to consult with E. J. Chamberlin, vice-president and general manager, with regard to the arrangements for the steamship service on this coast, and will then proceed to England. He expects to reach Newcastle-on-Tyne in time to attend the launching of the steamer Prince George, second of the company's steamers to be floated from the yards of Swan, Hunter & Wigham Richardson. He stated that he had no advices with regard to the steamer Bruno. This steamer was purchased from T. Wilson & Sons, of Hull, for use on the run from Prince Rupert to Stewart and Queen Charlotte Islands. It was probable that another steamer would be bought, but he had no advices yet in that regard.

Reveals Remarkable Heart.

A heart larger than normal, but which had never been properly developed, a white plague on its exterior surface and a large clot of blood with a worm-like formation embedded in one of the ventricles; an abnormal liver; a distended stomach, and disorganized kidneys. These various symptoms were revealed in a post-mortem examination performed by Dr. Curtis on the body of Wilmer Hazleton, found dead in his bed in a logging camp in Hastings townsite Saturday morning. After hearing the evidence of those who were present at the time of his demise, and Dr. Curtis who performed the autopsy, the jury brought in a verdict of death from natural causes. For some time previous deceased had complained of feeling unwell, and prior to retiring last Friday night, ate a hearty meal. Occupants of the same room did not hear him during the night, and when they called him in the morning found him dead.

Get Rich Quick Methods.

For the alleged robbery of Chinese gambling joints at the pistol's point Herbert Wilson-Hulme was committed for trial by Magistrate Bull of Vancouver. Hulme elected for a preliminary hearing and reserved his defence. Carl C. Munn and Louis Watton two white men who were gambling at 11 Pender street east, told of the alleged holding up of the Chinese proprietor of the joint; and Detectives McLeod and Thomas, the arresting officers, repeated an alleged confession which Hulme, they said, had made to them, acknowledging that he held up the place and also another. In this latter place the detectives said Hulme had not secured any money, for when he drew his gun someone had switched off the lights plunging the room into darkness. Then Hulme made his escape.

Loans in London

LONDON, Jan. 20.—Underwriters get 53 per cent of the Grand Trunk Pacific issue. The lists for the Canada loan closed for cash, but will remain open this week for conversion. The stock is firm at a premium of ⅛.

Intercolonial Board Vacancy

OTTAWA, Jan. 20.—Hon. G. P. Graham denies that steps are being taken to fill the vacancy on the Intercolonial railway commission by appointment of E. J. Hebert, of the C. P. R.

Hon. C. R. Devlin Ill

QUEBEC, Jan. 20.—Hon. C. R. Devlin, minister of colonization, lands and fisheries, is seriously ill from an ulcerous growth in the side, and has been ordered by his physicians to take absolute rest.

Labor Candidate's Explanation

LONDON, Jan. 20.—Dr. Stanton Coit, Labor candidate in Wakefield borough, who was defeated by Edward Brotherton Conservative, said today: "My defeat was due to snobbishness, free beer, lying and the intervention of employers. These are facts worthy of note, because they go a long way towards explaining the Tory gains in the country at large."

Adjusted Amur's Compasses.

The C. P. R. liner Amur which is taking the place of the Princess May on the northern run during the latter's overhaul, and is scheduled to leave tonight, left the wharf at 11.30 a.m. today and proceeded to the Outer Harbor, where she was swung for compass adjustment and a table of deviations by Captains James and Jarvis, of the Victoria Nautical and Engineering school. She returned to her berth at the C. P. R. wharf at 1 p.m.

Australia Wants Preference

MELBOURNE, Jan. 20.—Speaking at Ballarat yesterday, Sir W. Best said that there was no sentiment more popular in Australia than that favoring a preference from the Mother Country. He entirely repudiated Will Crooks' recent suggestions that the colonies did not want England to adopt Tariff Reform, even with a preferential rate to over-seas dominions. In 1907 Australia's system of trade protection and British preference had meant a gift of £828,000 in duty alone to the British manufacturers and merchants.

Students Who Drank.

WOODSTOCK, Ont., Jan. 20.—Four students have been expelled from Woodstock Baptist college and three local hotelkeepers have been summoned to appear before the local magistrate on the charge of selling liquor to minors. These events were brought about as the result of a little celebration indulged in by a number of students on closing day, Dec. 17, when they visited a number of city hotels, with the result, it is said, that some of them were unable to properly conduct themselves. A number of other students were mixed up in the affair, and more expulsions may follow.

Conservation Question.

OTTAWA, Jan. 20.—The railway committee of the Commons today entered upon an interesting discussion as to the policy of the committee in respect to any further alienation of water power on crown lands in connection with the granting of railway charters. The question came up in connection with the bill to charter Nelson River Valley railway. Messrs. Emmerson, Bradbury, Hughes and others took strong ground in favor of the conserving of water power and the adoption of the principle that no more water power should be given away until investigation had been made by the public competition had been invited. The bill stood over.

Salvage Prize Lost.

ST. JOHN, Nfd., Jan. 20.—After having towed the disabled steamer Bengore Head since last Sunday, the Allan line steamer Pomeranian lost her prize seven miles off here this morning when a hawser broke. The Bengore Head again became helpless. The Pomeranian came here today and secured a new hawser and returned to seek the crippled freighter. Three steamers of the sealing fleet also have departed to look for the rich prize. The weather is clear, and no fear is felt for the safety of the Bengore Head's crew. She sailed from Marysport, England, Dec. 27, for St. John, N. B. She carries no passengers. Her crew consists of about forty men. The nature of the accident to the freighter is not known.

CHARLESTON, W. Va., Jan. 21.—Local representatives of the Guggenheim interests have secured option on eighty per cent of the New River coal field, which comprises 2,000,000 acres, as part of a plan to combine the entire bituminous coal interests of southern West Virginia, the Fairmount Field and the holdings of the Petersburg Coal Company. This will give the Guggenhiems control of about seventy-five per cent of the soft coal of this region.

A Professional Opinion

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(L. S.) S. Y. WOOTTON,
Registrar of Joint Stock Companies.

The objects for which this company has been established and licensed are: To manufacture and sell cream-separators, dairy machinery and supplies, including gas-engines, gasoline-engines and steam-engines, steam-pumps and foot power machinery, and to engage in electro-plating and tinning.

NOTICE

Cascade Mineral Claim, situate in the Alberni Mining Division of Clayoquot, Uchucklet Harbor, surveyed as Lot 699:

Take notice that I, M. Barclay McKay, Free Miner's Certificate No. B. 30186, intend, sixty days from the date hereof, to apply to the Mining Recorder for a Certificate of Improvements, for the purpose of obtaining a Crown Grant of the above claim.

And further take notice that action, under section 37, must be commenced before the issuance of such Certificate of Improvements.

Dated this 9th day of December, A. D. 1909.