

PREMIER EN TORN
GIVES OUTLINE
OF POLICY

Minister of Works Enthusiastically Received in His Home City—The Perpetuity of Licenses

REVELSTOCK, B. C., Nov. 4.—Premier McBride and Attorney-General Bowser opened their joint tour of the province at the opera house here last night, the house being crowded to the roof.

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The premier also announced that in line with his promise of last session, he would bring legislation which would next meet for the perpetuity of timber licenses on fair and reasonable terms in the best interest of the province.

Attorney-General Bowser made a resume of the general policy and recommended that the government should lead questions that have come before the people.

Mr. Kemper, the Socialist candidate, and Mayor E. F. Lindmark, who announced himself as an independent candidate, were given opportunity to speak and make short address on their merits.

Hon. Thos. Taylor's election by a good majority is conceded here.

Tonight the premier and the attorney-general are at New Westminster.

BRACKMAN-KER FIRE
LOSS ABOUT \$50,000

Greater Part of Sum Accounted For By Destruction of Machinery in Blast Yesterday.

Conservative estimates place the loss due to the fire at \$50,000. The roof of Brackman & Ker's four-story mill, outer wharf, by yesterday afternoon's fire at 5:00 o'clock. The greater part of this sum is accounted for by the destruction of the machinery.

About \$15,000 worth of damage was done to the mill building, and the remainder is the company's intention to begin rebuilding, to install machinery that will be practically a new plant throughout, and take the other steps necessary to put the factory in shape for operation as adjusted.

The market here will not be affected as was reported. In order that there might not be any resulting shortage in B. & K. cereals instructions have been forwarded to Calgary and Strathcona ordering the shipment of quantities of that commodity. The hay and feed business will not be interfered with by the destruction wrought by the conflagration.

The fire started in more or less the west end of the mill, near the boiler room. H. H. White, the miller, was the first to notice it. He was working near the western end of the upper floor when he saw a cloud of smoke ascending from a boiler room. He disposed of it properly and, falling to make any impression and almost choking in the smoke, he rushed down stairs shouting the alarm. The engine was stopped. The employees rallied to the fight and, with the use of the apparatus on hand, tried valiantly to hold the fire in check. One had been knocked out by the explosion. Despite all that could be done by the time the latter arrived most of the main part of the building was a furnace of flame.

Chief Davis grasped the situation quickly and lost no time in sending in the general alarm which brought Victoria's entire fire fighting equipment to the scene. With his men at his back the chief went to the west end of the mill, where he was able to get as far as the third floor. Here they stood, directing streams into the blaze. It was not until the fire had been extinguished that they were able to get to the second floor, where they were directed to make much impression at first, the flames were not driven back. They fought until the fire began to give way and then, soaking the floor and the stock consisting of a quantity of cereals—were able to hold the conflagration to the upper section, saving the rest.

Firemen Hurt. During the struggle two men came to grief. One, Thomas Stott, fell through the floor, sustaining injuries which necessitated his removal to the hospital. However, he is reported to be doing well and will be out and around in a couple of days. The other was struck on the head by a falling beam. He is not incapacitated.

While the bulk of the machinery was in the upper floor and so was completely destroyed the damage was not as great as was at first expected. C. W. Rhodes, manager of the mill company, congratulated Chief Davis on the gallant behavior of his force.

The bulk of the insurance, it is understood, has been paid. It is believed correct it is the first risk taken by that concern in British Columbia.

D. R. Ker, the miller, who was en route to Vancouver, intending to inspect the mills of the company at Nanaimo and Victoria, when the fire started. A wireless message was despatched informing him and he has returned.

BURSTS ON COURT
WITH STRANGE TALE

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The old scandal which grew out of the fatal illness of the prince of Wales, has not been mentioned at the trial although the more than 100 witnesses there was no intention to shield anyone. At one point in her testimony,

CITY CONSERVATIVES PICK
WINNERS AS NOMINEES

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Chairman's Remarks. R. F. Green, president of the local Conservative association, occupied the chair at the meeting. The gathering was held at the home of Mrs. H. H. Green, and was the strongest of its character ever held in the city. In a pointed out the purpose of the meeting, and said that the candidates chosen practically meant the representatives of the city as they were certain of election at the polls. He had been present at many conventions but had never seen such a large one as the present. He indicated further that the candidates who contested the city in the Liberal interests were going to lose their deposits, whereas the Conservative candidates would be elected.

Great Excitement. The writer's attorney had stated that he had been overcome by remorse. Immediately after reading the letter, the attorney suddenly and dramatically introduced the writer, who in the meantime had made his way through the crowd in the court room to a place beside M. Aubin. The newcomer proved to be a man of about 25 years and of a very excited nature. He demanded a hearing. Refusing to reply to the preliminary inquiries as to his profession and occupation, the young man shouted that he had been an accomplice in the assassination of Adolphe Steinhell and Madame Jany. As the audience burst into the loudest applause, the man continued: "I was an accomplice in the assassinations at the home of Madame Steinhell, and with remorse I wish now to confess my part in the crimes. I was disgusted as a young man and was a fugitive. My accomplices were long cloaks. We committed the murders and then escaped to the forest at Mount Morency, where we hunted our quarry."

The voluntary prisoner said after destroying the immediate evidences of their crime he and his companions escaped to the forest at Mount Morency. One of his friends had since died. He said. Madame Steinhell confronted Lefevre but said she was unable to identify him as one of the murderers whom she had described. Devalles ordered Lefevre to be placed under arrest and an investigation of his statement made. At the same time the court warned the jury that this dramatic episode might prove another attempt to confuse the jury.

MOBRIDE'S SUCCESS
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will be presented in Comox constituency, this candidate being Mr. James Cartwright, who ran in 1907. Mr. William Mansson and Mr. H. C. Brewster.

CARNEGIE HERO FUND
Commission Hands Out Fifty Awards in States and Canada for Acts of Bravery

PITTSBURGH, Pa., Nov. 4.—With the regular fall gathering of the Carnegie hero fund came the honoring of fifty persons throughout this country and Canada for acts of bravery and illustrious acts of heroism during the past three months. With the exception of the province of Ontario, all States, 22 persons living in Ohio, approximately \$30,000, twenty-three silver medals and twenty-seven bronze medals were awarded by the action of today's meeting of the commission. Of the fifty heroic acts approved, twenty-two were awarded to men, twenty to women and eight to children. In these cases the next of kin received the reward. Deeds of heroism were recorded at Athens, Ohio, on March 14, 1907, regarded the greater part of the attention of the commission included saving children from fast running flood waters, stopping unmanageable runaway horses, and carrying persons from burning buildings. Among the most spectacular acts of bravery called to the attention of the commission was the case of H. W. Woods, a merchant of Athens, Ohio. During the fire at his store on the morning of March 19, 1907, Woods, unassisted, rescued two men and a woman from almost certain death, when he rowed a flat-bottomed skiff through the rising river current into the second story window of a half submerged building, carrying with him a number of citizens to safety. In investigating the case of Mr. Woods the commission found that he was awarded a reward of \$1,000 for his small store, and presented him with a cheque for \$1,000 and a medal.

Another instance called to the attention of the commission was that of William F. Sayle, of North Attleboro, Mass., fifteen years of age, who, unassisted and heavily dressed, jumped into a hole in the ice breaking his way through the ice, and buoyed the couple up until assistance came. Young Sayle was awarded a reward of \$1,000 for his small store, and presented him with a cheque for \$1,000 and a medal.

A particularly worthy award was the case of George E. McCue, colored, of Garden City, Kansas, whose heroic act in rescuing a baby from in front of a fast travelling passenger train was brought to the attention of the commission by city officials. McCue was given a bronze medal for his act and \$500 for educational purposes. The Canadian award was to Bertha Rattenbury, Charlottetown, P. E. I., a young girl, who, unassisted, saved a child from drowning in the sea. She was awarded a reward of \$1,000 for her small store, and presented her with a cheque for \$1,000 and a medal.

Comments on B. C. E. Sales. LONDON, Nov. 4.—The financial press calls attention to the heavy influx of the British Columbia Electric Railway's revenue, and the ineffectiveness of the recent efforts to stimulate interest in these shares requires no further explanation.

C. N. R. Loan Success.

LONDON, Nov. 4.—The Bank of Commerce, Lloyds and Bank of Scotland today closed the list on the Canadian Northern issue of \$4,250,000 stock listed in London and underwriters entirely relieved. Subscriptions were more numerous than for any previous issue, and despite adverse money conditions the loan is a success.

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CLUE TO CARIBOO CASE RETURN LETTER

Scattered Remnants on Trail Indicate \$5,000 Was Taken—Only Cash Considered—Believe Haney is Leader

VANCOUVER, B. C., Nov. 4.—Registered mail sacks torn open and scattered letters found on the Cariboo trail near the scene of the express mail stage holdup of Monday throw light on the extent of the robbery. Twenty-three letters were taken from one mail sack and a smaller number from each of the three others. Money and express contents were not touched. The robbers contenting themselves with taking the cash found, which at a conservative estimate was five thousand dollars. Investigation showed that the robbers headed immediately after the robbery to the wild Chilcooten district to the west. By noon of the day of the robbery they must have crossed the one bridge which spans the Fraser River and are now hidden somewhere in the recesses of the cattle range country. Their natural route to the coast would be direct to Vancouver by way of Mission and Hope, but they could easily have reached this city by now. The belief is growing in the neighborhood of the holdup that William Haney, who with his brother, unassisted, held up a C. P. R. train at Notch Hill, last spring, planned and executed this robbery. After the killing of his brother at Ashcroft in a duel with a police officer, Haney probably escaped into the Chilcooten wilderness and remained in hiding there until he had organized the present robbery. If it is Haney, he is probably now safe in some mountain retreat in that district.

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