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ROSS CUP GOES TO SMITHERS

Valley Team Proves Superiority and Wins Northern Hockey Championship.

Smithers has won the Ross Cup and the hockey championship of the north. Last Saturday night, New Hazelton, playing on Smithers rink, was defeated 3-1. Although this game decided the championship, much interest centered in Wednesday's game with Hazelton. The boys from the old town went up determined to win, but could do nothing with the stonewall defence of Crandall, Keddie and Morison. After a hard fought game the score was 3-2 in favor of Captain Aldous' redoubtable seven. Fawcett, Aldous and Keddie scored for Smithers and Blyth and Sinclair for Hazelton. Hugh Taylor was referee and Hugh Harris judge of play.

A large crowd went up from Hazelton to root for their team.

After the game the Hazelton amateur players presented "Turn Him Out" in the Prince Theater, in aid of the Hazelton Hospital equipment fund. There was a large crowd, which greeted the performance with enthusiasm. A dance followed the performance.

The last game of the hockey season will be played tonight at New Hazelton, with Hazelton as the visiting team.

Reward for Radium

Victoria, Feb. 27:—A second reading was given a bill offering $5,000 reward for each radium discovery in British Columbia. The province will retain a forty per cent interest in all radium claims.

May Close Thursday

Victoria, Feb. 27:—The legislature will probably prorogue next Thursday.

Suffragettes Burn Church

London, Feb. 27:—Mrs. Pankhurst wrote asking for an audience with the King, while the suffragettes were burning a church near the battlefield of Dunbar. Historical relics were destroyed.

Noted Men Dying

Toronto, Feb. 27:—Sir George Ross is not expected to live.

London, Feb. 27:—The condition of Lord Minto, ex-governor-general of Canada, is critical.

King Sees Baseball Game

London, Feb. 27:—The King witnessed a baseball game between the touring clubs of Chicago and New York.

Another Big Steamship

Belfast, Feb. 27:—The White Star liner Britannic, the largest British ship, exceeding the Titanic in size, was launched here today.

No Votes for Women

Victoria, Beb. 27:—The female suffrage bill was defeated by a vote of 23 to 10.

Extend P. G. E. to Peace River District

Victoria, Feb. 27:—The premier introduced a bill for the extension of the P. G. E. from Fort George to the Peace river country, guaranteeing interest on $35,000 a mile for 330 miles. The guarantee for the Vancouver-Fort George section is to be increased by $7,000 a mile.

Mining Pays Well

Jas. Vick, a prominent financial man, says that as the result of investigation he finds the dividends paid by the mines of the United States exceed those paid by all the banks and railroads combined; and that whereas in mercantile pursuits 95 per cent fail, the failures in mining are only 38 per cent.

Will Buy Fine Stock

Charles Barrett, proprietor of the big Diamond D ranch, came to town yesterday. He will leave on the next train for a visit to California. Returning in the spring, he intends to bring a carload of thoroughbred cattle and high-class horses, to add to the ranch stock.

Explorer Mawson Returns

Adelaide, Feb. 27:—Mawson, the Australian explorer, has returned home, reporting the success of his Antarctic expedition.

KILDARE STARTS SOON

There will be much activity in the Omineca river placer field during the coming season. Early as it is, quite a number of miners and prospectors have started from Hazelton with their outfits. It is expected that Geo. W. Otterson, managing director of the Kildare Co., will be here in about three weeks, with a full crew of miners, to resume work on the eight miles of placer ground held by his company. All the company's machinery is now on the ground, and everything is in readiness for work on an extensive scale. Mr. Otterson recently returned to Seattle from Grant's Pass, Ore., where he took an option on a big placer property on behalf of Seattle men. He writes that there is plenty of money available for the purchase of developed properties, although prospects are not in demand.

Labor Trouble Expected

London, Feb. 27:—The deported labor leaders arrived from South Africa today. Trouble is expected.

W. A.

The next meeting, which will take the form of a work-party, will be held at the home of Mrs. Hoskins on Thursday next, at 3:15. The closing meeting will be held two weeks later at the mission house.

Patient Removed

A Kispiox rancher named Johnson, who has been in the Hospital for eighteen months, with a broken back, is being removed to New Westminster. His injury was caused by a falling tree.

ESTIMATES OF REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE PRESENTED

Receipts of Ten Millions Expected---Nearly Four Millions More Will be Expended on Works and for Public Service in Year Beginning April 1st.

Victoria, Feb. 27:—The estimates for 1914 were tabled yesterday. Revenue for the coming year is estimated at $10,000,000. The expenditure will be $13,700,000. The appropriations for public works are $5,300,000. About half of this amount is for public works and buildings, the remainder being for roads, streets, bridges and wharves. For these the Skeena district vote is $216,000.

The appropriation for education includes half a million for the provincial university and $96,000 for technical education. For buildings at Prince Rupert $150,000 will be spent.

The legislature will be asked to vote $1,250,000 as supplementary estimates for various public services not provided for at the last session.

Finance Minister Ellison, in his budget speech, was optimistic regarding the business outlook and the prospects for agricultural development in the province. The latter, he said, had not been able to keep up with the rapid increase of population. The expenditure of a large part of the surplus had, he said, been justified.

Premier McBride, in a half-hour speech, justified the additional guarantee for the C. N. R. He explained that the province will become the conditional owner of $1,000,000 of common stock and stated that the total C. N. R. guarantee, including the new proposals, would be $47,000,000. Saskatchewan guarantees $21,000,000. Alberta, $33,000,000, and Manitoba, $21,000,000. The total railway guarantees of British Columbia, including the P. G. E., are $65,000,000, as against $48,000,000 by Alberta and $34,000,000 by Saskatchewan.

Local and District News Notes

Gerard Gore has returned from a visit to Prince Rupert.

J. A. Hodder left on Thursday for a visit to the coast cities.

The Forests beat the Lands in last evening's hockey game by 6-4.

H. R. Dawkins, of Vancouver, was in town yesterday, on business.

J. A. Sampare was up from Gitwangak for a few days during the week.

Chief Constable Gammon returned on Wednesday from an official trip to Victoria.

H. C. Kinghorn, of the forest branch, returned on Thursday from a visit to Terrace.

A crew of navvies is at work in the South Hazelton railway yards, improving the cuts.

H. Coppock, the veteran horseman, is seriously ill. There is little hope of his recovery.

Dr. Wrinch is having a large supply of ice cut on Hospital lake, for the use of the institution.

Robert Todd, operator at Eighth Cabin, returned on Wednesday from a visit to Prince Rupert.

W. J. McAfee, who has been ill for some weeks, has gone to Belle Isle hot springs, to remain for a month.

Miss Marion Steele, who has resigned her position as stenographer in the Union Bank, left for Vancouver on Thursday.

Chas. V. Smith, whose store and residence were burned three weeks ago, has begun the erection of a new store building, on the site of the former store. He hopes to have the structure completed and stocked within a few weeks.

J. T. Bates was among the returning miners of the week. He will leave shortly for his claims in the Omineca river district.

The Hospital is being wired for the installation of electric lights. The X-ray and electrical plant will be installed very shortly.

Miss Kennedy, of the Prince Rupert Hospital staff, is temporarily attached to the staff of the Hazelton hospital, in the absence of Miss Hogan.

K. B. Carruthers, superintendent of the famous Mollie Gibson mine, is spending a few days in the district, in the interests of the Consolidated.

G. H. Graham, manager of the Hudson's Bay stores here, has been transferred to Quesnel. Harry E. Holliday is in charge at Hazelton, pro. tem.

Hugh Harris leaves for Prince Rupert tomorrow, to attend the meetings of the Silver Cup and Sunrise mining companies, which are to be held on Wednesday.

A. E. Falconer and Hunter Corner, who have been in Vancouver for some weeks, returned on Wednesday, and are now on their way to the Groundhog district.

Heading a party of eight, T. H. Taylor, provincial government surveyor, arrived from Victoria on Wednesday. All arrangements for freighting supplies had been made, and on Thursday morning the party left for Groundhog, to resume the work of surveying meridian and base lines throughout the coalfields.

Stefansson Reports No News of Karluk

Dawson, Feb. 23:—Williams, Herbert and Jaquot, three trappers from Fort McPherson, have arrived here with telegrams and mail from Stefansson, the explorer, who reached McPherson on Feb. 3, reporting that he could get no authentic news of the steamer Karluk.

Stefansson left the Karluk in September to go after caribou, and a blizzard drove the vessel out to sea. Natives report seeing the Karluk in October, steaming east off Richards Island.

Dr. Anderson, a member of the expedition, is wintering at Collinson Point, 160 miles west of Richards Island, and is well provisioned.

NORTHERN TELEPHONE CO. INCORPORATION

The provincial legislature is considering a special act to incorporate the Northern Telephone Co., which is to take over the telephone systems of Smithers and Hazelton. It is intended to extend the operations of the company throughout the Skeena, Bulkley and Northern Cariboo districts, providing telephone service in all districts tributary to the G. T. P. in British Columbia. The incorporators are residents of Hazelton, Smithers and Telkwa.

BANDITS STILL AT LARGE

Vancouver, Feb. 25:—Although the reward offered for the arrest of the three bandits has been increased to $30,000, they are still at large. Many man-hunters are searching for traces of the fugitives.

TELEGRAPH SERVICE IN ABOUT TEN DAYS

In ten days, unless unfavorable weather interferes with the work of construction, Smithers will have a government telegraph office. A neat building is being erected on Main street, near Third, for a telegraph office, and Superintendent J. A. Thorne, with Foreman Blackstock and several linemen, is engaged in installing a loop. Robert Barker, the popular agent at Aldermere, has been promoted to the Smithers office. His place will be taken by E. G. Ayliffe, of North Bulkley.

A typographical error in last week's issue credited the Silver Standard with shipments of 7300 tons of ore since Christmas. The amount shipped was about 730 tons.

Special Lenten Services

Next Friday at 7:30, in St. Peter's Church, the Rev. W. S. A. Larter will commence a series of special services and Bible Talks, which will be continued on succeeding Fridays during Lent. The services and addresses will be illustrated by lantern slides, and whilst the series has been arranged specially for the children, parents and others will find them of interest and be assured a welcome.

VILLA MUST GIVE ACCOUNT

British Press Demands Satisfaction From Mexico for Murder of Benton by Rebels

London, Feb. 27:—The British press demands that General Villa be compelled to answer for the killing of Benton. Some papers suggest intervention by the Powers and the United States. The Times insists that satisfaction be obtained.

El Paso, Tex., Feb. 22.—Records of the alleged court-martial of W. S. Benton, the Canadian who was murdered by Mexicans, have been made public. Jaurez asserts Benton was present and was represented by a rebel officer. He was executed for attempting armed violence against Villa. He was found guilty of giving aid to the enemy. Benton's friends received the report with sneers, and pointed to the knowledge that for many years he guarded against possible results of his spirits and temper by never carrying a pistol.

London, Feb. 23:—The putting to death of William S. Benton, a British subject, by General Francisco Villa, Mexican rebel leader, at Juarez, has aroused the British Parliament and people to a keen apprehension of the British interests involved in the Mexican situation.

The killing of Benton was the principal subject for discussion in the house of commons this afternoon. A full house listened with intense interest to the explanation given by Sir Edward Grey, foreign minister, and Sir Francis Dyke-Acland, parliamentary under-secretary for foreign affairs. They spoke of the British Government's attitude and discussed their communications with Washington. Feeling that a repetition of the Benton incident might force the American Government to a change of policy is apparent in official circles.

"The Pacification of Mexico is an object we honestly desire to see accomplished, but it is impossible to effect it by British intervention. We do not intend to make any attempt of that character which would be futile and impolitic."

This is the attitude of the British foreign office as outlined today in the house of commons by Francis Dyke-Ackland.

Sir Edward Grey said: "Before this incident occurred the United States Government had, at our request, impressed upon the leaders of the constitutionalist party in Mexico the necessity of respecting the lives of foreigners. I should like to add that the fact that our communicating with the government of the Unined States does not, of course, imply that it has any responsibility for what has taken place."

J. H. Keefe, of Francois Lake, is in town for a few days, procuring machinery for his ranch.

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The Pacific, Peace River & Athabasca railway, projected by English capitalists who hold large areas of coal land in the big Groundhog field, bids fair to prove one of the great factors in the development of Northern British Columbia. As to the bona fides of the project there seems to be no question, and it is probable that early spring will see the preliminary surveys well under way. By the article printed in another column it will be seen that the new road is to enter two of the richest districts in the great country tributary to Hazelton—the anthracite coalfields of the upper Skeena and the gold camps of the Omineca river district. The building of the railway may divert much of the trade of those promising sections from this town, unless other railways affording connection with Hazelton are constructed, yet the people of Hazelton have no reason to look with anything but favor on the P. P. R. & A. railway. Its construction will inevitably lend impetus to the development of the entire district, bringing increased business to this town, while there other districts, possessing great resources, which are nearer to Hazelton than to any point on the projected road, and which are likely to remain tributary to this town.

The season of activity in Groundhog and the Omineca camps is already beginning, a number of surveying and prospecting parties having already left Hazelton, as well as a large amount of freight, which will be followed in the course of a few weeks by several working crews, which will continue development operations. The business men of this town have good reason to feel confident that Hazelton will continue to be, as it has been for many years, the distributing point for a great and rich district.

New Game Regulations

Marked improvement in the observance of the provincial game laws is the outstanding feature of the annual report submitted to the Legislature last week by the chief game warden, Mr. A. Bryan Williams.

This fact is attributed in a large measure to the new regulations enforced last year with regard to the carrying of firearms, and also to the fact that the number of deputies, both temporary and permanent, was increased.

There is not the least doubt, says the report, that there was not anything like as much game killed before the season opened this year as last year, and this remark applies with particular force in the vicinities of construction camps, where last year, before the season opened there was a regular epidemic of poaching.

Mr. Williams has some interesting things to say in regard to the license which has been enforced during the year. On this point he says that it is doubtful if any previous amendment to the Game Act had been simpler to enforce or more effective in operation. He makes an interesting point about the necessity of increased attention being paid to the issuing of licenses in order to prevent boys under 16 years of age from securing them. During the year, according to the returns received, 206 informations were laid under the Game Act, and 10 more by deputy game wardens under the Dominion Fisheries Act. Two of the cases have not yet been tried. but of the remainder fines were imposed in 171 cases, 10 persons being sent to jail, and in 16 cases the firearms were confiscated. The fines amounted to $4,287.

There were 228 non-resident licenses issued during the year, including 54 for big game hunters, which is 7 more than last last year. The number of anglers' and bear licenses showed a small decrease.

So far as trophies are concerned, Mr. Williams states that it was a splendid year for the big game hunter, and that, while there were no actual record heads taken away, the returns were satisfactory in every degree.

The chief game warden relates an interesting experience with the Indian guides in Cassiar. They apparently decided to emulate the white man's method, and formed a sort of guides' union, with a view to striking for higher wages when they thought such a step necessary. Having done this, they resolved to ask $10 per day for head guides and a slightly lower rate for the underlings. After considerable discussion, the Indians were brought to a more reasonable appreciation of things and values, and the situation is free from the threat of a strike.

An interesting section of the report deals with the destruction of dangerous animals and birds, and in this connection it is stated that bounties have been paid during the year on 232 coogars, 277 wolves, 1,618 coyotes and 58 golden eagles. Mr. Williams regrets that there has not been any diminution in the number of cougars. In regard to wolves and coyotes there has been a considerable reduction, the comparative figures for wolves being 277, against 467 last year, and in regard to coyotes, 1,618 as against 3,017.

Dealing with the fur industry, Mr. Williams says that it is still a most uncertain problem, although pregnant with possibilities, and he recommends that every effort should be made to develop it. So far, he says, few people have any knowledge of how to go about the industry, although it is a question that affects the whole of Canada, and has been found worthy of the attention of the Dominion government. Owing to the mild climate, he does not think the Coast is quite suitable for some species, but in the interior sections of the province he reports that there are thousands of acres suitable for the development of the industry.

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THE GROUNDHOG RAILWAY

The new Pacific, Peace River & Athabasca railway, which is seeking a charter at Ottawa, is attracting much attention in the west. Surveyors will go into the field in March or early in April, and construction work will be begun some time in the spring of 1915.

The line has been laid out with a view of draining the magnificent Groundhog coal basin, in which Mr. Thomas and his associates have secured large interests. The line will also tap the coal fields along the Peace river, will pass through the Omineca mining country, and it aims to make a bid for the transportation of wheat by its sections through Alberta and Saskatchewan.

At Prince Albert, Sask., the Pacific, Peace River & Athabasca railway will secure connection with the big Canadian transcontinentals and connections with the railway systems of America. It will also be in a position to enter the Hudson Bay district through the pass.

The promoters plan to build the road from Nasoga gulf, in the Portland canal, and very near the mouth of the Naas river, From that point the line will cross British Columbia and will go through the mountains by Hogem pass. The grade there is said to be .91 per cent, about the best mountain grade obtainable. Hogem pass is about 375 miles northwest of the Yellowhead pass, through which the G. T. P. and C. N. R. enter British Columbia.

Except for sections along the Naas river, where it approaches as close as twenty miles to the main line of the G. T. P., the P. P. R. & A. will open up a territory that is hundreds of miles away from the nearest railway at the present time.

David Alfred Thomas, 122 Ashley Gardens, S. W., London, England, is the leading figure in the promotion of the line. He has acquired extensive coal areas by purchase or by option, and is said to be interested in other mineral lands in northern British Columbia. He is one of the most wealthy coal barons in the world, and the annual output of coal from his Welsh mines exceeds by 5,000,000 tons the annual output of coal from Canadian coal mines.

From Nasoga bay, or the mouth of the Naas, the line will run northeast up the Naas for a distance of 225 miles to the height of land between the Naas and the Skeena watershed, then down Courier creek to the Skeena and down the Skeena to the mouth of Bear river, and up the Bear river to Bear lake and then across the divide in a southerly direction to Driftwood river, and down the Driftwood river to North Tacla lake and from that lake to Hogem pass.

After leaving the pass, the line will go to the Omineca river, thence easterly to the Findlay branch of the Peace river and then down the north side of the main Peace river and easterly and northerly to Vermillion rapids or chutes in the province of Alberta. Thence crossing the Peace river at the falls or chutes and continuing down the right bank of the Peace river, the railway goes to Point Providence, thence in an easterly direction to the mouth of the Athabasca river, then up the Athabasca to Fort McMurray, in an easterly direction to the Clearwater river, thence to the Pembina river and thence south to the height of land, and crossing over the Buffalo river, the line goes easterly and southerly to Prince Albert.

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Claim No. 1.

Take notice that B. R. Jones, Merchant of Skeena Crossing, British Columbia, intends to apply for permission to prospect for coal and petroleum on the following described lands:

Commencing at a post planted about 3 miles west of the south west corner of Lot 3396, Cassiar, and marked B. R. J., N. W. corner, thence south 80 chains, thence east 80 chains, thence north 80 chains, thence west 80 chains to point of commencement, and containing 640 acres more or less.

January 6th, 1914. B. R. Jones.
Eric Wickner, Agent.

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Claim No. 5.

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LAND NOTICES

Omineca Land District. District of Coast, Range V.

Take notice that Charles Hicks Beach of Hazelton, B. C., occupation clerk, intends to apply for permission to purchase the following described lands:

Commencing at a post planted at the northwest corner of Lot 349, Range V, Coast District, and being the northeast cor. of land applied for, thence west 20 chains, south 40 chains, east 20 chains, north 40 chains to point of commencement and containing 80 acres more or less.

Oct. 11, 1913. Charles Hicks Beach,
Dan McDougall, agt.

Omineca Land District. District of Cassiar

Take notice that James Bell, of Glasgow, Scotland, occupation telegraph operator, intends to apply for permission to purchase the following described lands:

Commencing at a post planted at the northwest corner of Lot 2391 Cassiar, thence 20 chains west, 20 chains south, thence following Skeena River to the southwest corner of Lot 2391 Cassiar, thence north to point of commencement, containing 40 acres more or less.

Nov. 10, 1913. 14-22 James Bell.

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Omineca Land District. District of Coast, Range V.

Take notice that John Jaynes, of Duncans, British Columbia, occupation clerk, intends to apply for permission to purchase the following described lands:

Commencing at a post planted at the south-west corner of Lot 349, Coast District, Range 5, and being the northwest corner of the land applied for, thence south 40 chains, thence east 20 chains, thence south 20 chains, thence east 20 chains, thence north 40 chains, thence west 20 chains, thence north 20 chains, thence west 20 chains to point of commencement. John Jaynes.

Nov. 28, 1913. M15-23

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The World's Doings in Brief

News Notes from Many Sources

Labor troubles in Australia are spreading.

Little hope is entertained for the recovery of Lord Minto.

Joseph Fels, the millionaire Socialist, is dead in Philadelphia.

The widow of Robert Louis Stevenson is dead at Santa Barbara.

France is experimenting with an inflammable dart for use by aeroplanes.

The Granby mines have ten million tons of two per cent copper ore in sight.

Art thieves are said to have stolen valuable paintings from the British Museum.

A government troop train was blown up by Mexican rebels. Fifty-five were killed.

The terrific storms which have raged in California have caused a loss of over $4,500,000.

Colonel Goethals says the Panama Canal will be open for merchant ships on July 1.

The trend of events in Sweden apparently indicates the ultimate formation of a republic.

British Columbia apples and pears are displacing Californian varieties in the Australian market.

A bill giving the government power to stop the export of petroleum has been introduced at Ottawa.

The Liberal Government in Great Britain has twenty-six less majority than after the general election.

The federal government has authorized the purchase of the dry-dock site at Lang's Cove, Esquimalt.

The country home of William K. Vanderbilt, Jr., valued at nearly $1,000,000, was destroyed by fire last week.

Sir Thomas Skinner has been appointed Governor of the Hudson's Bay Company in succession to Lord Strathcona.

The privy council has decided that the provinces cannot collect succession duties on the estates of deceased persons.

Sir Donald Mann says the C. N. R. will build a thousand miles of branch lines in British Columbia and Alberta this year.

There is enthusiasm in Germany over the passage by the Reichstag of naval estimates showing an increase of £400,000.

The Australian butchers strike is still unsettled, 300 men being affected. An increase of five shillings a week and forty-eight hours is demanded.

The redistribution committee of the house of commons has begun its work. British Columbia constituencies will be among the first dealt with.

A modified and perfected form of the Koch cure is said to have proved effective in the treatment of tubercolosis, curing practically all cases in the first stage.

A German professor now declares that moving pictures can be transmitted by cable. His telephotographic system is to be demonstrated at the Panama fair.

The American senate has ratified general arbitration treaties between the United States and Great Britain, Japan, Italy, Spain, Norway, Sweden, Portugal and Switzerland.

A resolution moved by Mr. Northrup, East Hastings, calling upon parliament to change the existing procedure in regard to the granting of divorces, was shelved for the present session.

Immigration to Canada during the first ten months, up to the end of January of the current fiscal year, was 356,430, made up of 135,179 British, 93,938 Americsns, and 127,313 from all other countries.

The British war office has withdrawn its prohibition of the Canadian aperture rifle sights at Bisley, and the Dominion team, commanded by Major Hart-McHarg, will participate in the matches.

Commissioners investigating the tenement houses of Dublin condemn the existing unsanitary conditions and recommend the erection of 14,000 dwellings at a cost of $17,500,000, to be undertaken by the government and the city.

A Bandit Uprising

Peking, Feb. 23:—The bandits led by "White Wolf" massacred 1,300 men, women and children when they sacked Liuan Chow, province of Ngan Hwei.

On that occasion they murdered Father Rich, a French Jesuit missionary, and captured and held two other foreigners for ransom.

An army of 25,000 Chinese troops is now converging on "White Wolf" who is in a strongly entrenched position in the vicinity of Cheng Yang Kwan.

"White Wolf" has a force of 2,000 bandits, half of whom are armed with modern rifles.

Mackenzie's Disclaimer

Ottawa, Feb. 24.—Sir William McKenzie has issued a statement concerning the C. N. R. system and its relation to the public assistance it has received. The statement commences dealing with the charges that the C. N. R. system has been subsidized in excess of its legitimate requirements, and that the money voted bo parliament has been diverted to Messrs. Mackenzie, Mann & company's private purposes. He offers an explanation, stating that he gives official figures frankly. He makes a general statement that there have been placed on the statute books of Canada many millions in cash subsidies, and that the C. N. R. has earned millions of dollars on bond guarantees which never progressed any further than the original authorizing legislation. He emphatically denies that any money ever found its way into way into the private enterprises of Mackenzie and Mann.

Another Hold-up

Seattle, Feb. 22:—Three masked men held up an interurban train on the Seattle-Tacoma railway yesterday and robbed the passengers of over $350.

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Smithers Notes

(From Thursday's Review)

W. B. Crandall has gone to Prince Rupert for a brief visit.

W. J. O'Neill was a passenger for Prince Rupert on this morning's train.

A. J. Burroughs, the lumber man, was among last night's arrivals.

J. R. Graham, of Harold Price & Co., has gone to Victoria on a business trip.

D. Ogilvie arrived from Hazelton yesterday. "Scotty" intends to make Smithers his home.

The Williams-Carr Co. is receiving from one to two cars of building material each week.

Mrs. Orchard, who has been ill of pneumonia, is still in Hazelton Hospital, but continues to improve.

G. R. Renals, western representative of the Standard Paint Co., is transacting business here this week.

Mrs. Wrinch and little son, who have been visiting Rev. and Mrs. C. E. Batzold, returned to Hazelton this morning.

F. B. Chettleburgh is busy with arrangements for freighting machinery and supplies to the Copper river coal property.

A special train will bring the families and household effects of the railway men transferred from Prince Rupert to Smithers.

Road Superintendent Carr left this morning for Hazelton, to arrange for the rebuilding of a bridge on the Groundhog trail.

R. E. Allen, district forester, who has been here for several days, on departmental business, returned to headquarters at Hazelton today.

Many residences are to be erected in Smithers in the near future. There are as yet only 37 residences as compared with 61 buildings devoted to business and other purposes.

George J. Frizzell returned last evening from a visit to the end of steel, and left this morning for a trip to Prince Rupert. He is well satisfied with his business in Smithers.

All hotel accommodation in Smithers was taxed last night, although many of the Hazelton visitors did not find time to sleep between the end of the dance and the departure of the train.

Six cars of fir timber for the Bulkley bridge have been received and the material is now being hauled to the crossing. The piling has been completed, and nothing is likely to interfere with the completion of the 500-foot structure before the ice goes out. The temporary crossing is much used, a great many loads of hay, grain and other produce having been hauled to the station in the last three weeks.

The early erection of a Catholic church in Smithers will increase the number of churches to three. Father Godfrey is here to make preliminary arrangements for the work of building the edifice, and G. C. Killam is preparing a set of plans.

Preparations are being made for the completion of the government road from the bridge to the railway station. Timber is being taken out for corduroy work where necessary. It is expected that Main street, between the station and Fifth, will be planked.

Piers for Railway Bridges

R. J. Graham, superintendent of construction for Bates and Rogers, arrived from Prince Rupert last night, en route for Fort Fraser. His firm is engaged in putting in concrete piers for the railway bridge at the first Bulkley crossing, and will also undertake the concrete work for the Nechaco bridge.

Eggs for Hatching

In this issue J. W. Graham, the well-known poultry man, of Cedarvale, offers for sale eggs, for hatching, from fine strains of producing fowls. The list of varieties affords a wide range of choice.

NOTICE

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

In the matter of the Administration Act, and in the matter of the Estate of Oscar Soderberg, deceased, intestate,

TAKE NOTICE that by an order of His Honour Judge Young, dated the 16th day of February, 1914, I was appointed Administrator of the estate of the said Oscar Soderberg. All parties having claims against the said estate are hereby requested to forward the same, properly verified, to me, before the 14th day of March 1914, and all parties indebted to the said estate are required to pay the amount of their indebtedness to me forthwith.

Dated 20th February, 1914.

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Water Notice

Application for a licence to take and use water will be made under the "Water Act" of British Columbia, as follows:

1. The name of the applicant is John D. Ross, licence No. 80874 B.
2. The address of the applicant is 291 Dufferin Street, Vancouver. B. C.
3. The name of the stream is St. Croix creek. The stream has its source in Red Belt mountain, flows in a west direction and empties into Skeena river, about six miles below mouth of Leggett Creek, on the south east side of Skeena river.
4. The water is to be diverted from the stream on the north side, about 200 feet from the creek.
5. The purpose for which the water will be used is electric and milling purposes and mining.
6. The land on which the water is to be used is described as follows: North side of the creek, about three miles from river.
7. The quantity of water applied for is as follows: 10 cubic feet per second.
8. This notice was posted on the ground on the 21st day of November, 1913.
9. A copy of this notice and an application pursuant thereto and to the requirements of the "Water Act" will be filed in the office of the Water Recorder at Victoria. Objections may be filed with the said Water Recorder, or with the omptroller of Water Rights, Parliament Buildings, Victoria, B. .

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