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## LIBERALS WILL HAVE 24 MEMBERS IN THE NEXT LEGISLATURE

**EFFICIENCY, ECONOMY,  
INTEGRITY, PROGRESS**



J. A. MACDONALD.

Physically a very sick man, but buoyant in spirits and confident of the result of to-morrow's vote, the Liberal leader, J. A. Macdonald, left New Denver for his home last night. He had just completed a fight worthy of his Highland blood, and of the name he bears—a name which is a happy augury of political success.

Wednesday's issue of the Nelson Canadian, the rabid Tory campaign sheet, in a report of the Greenwood meeting, gave a aptable tribute to the Liberal leader, Macdonald, who it says is an able man, conscientiously present-

ing the case he believes in. For over a week, in spite of a severe attack of grippe and cold, he has kept every engagement, devoting his time to the good of the party at large and evidently relying on the electors of Rossland, his home, and the only riding before, which he would permit his name to go to see that he did not suffer thereby. That the electors there nobly stood by him was shown by the fact that even the ladies—an embryo Primrose Club—have been out working for him. He will win there, and throughout the province to-morrow.

### VICTORIA MUST DO HER DUTY

(Special to the Times.)  
Vancouver, Feb. 1.—All reports from the Mainland indicate a great Liberal victory to-morrow. Vancouver will redeem herself and elect the whole Liberal ticket. Hope Victoria will be in the band wagon on Saturday night.

W. HALL, McHARG,  
Campaign Manager.

The wise elector closes his eyes to all "roorbacks."

Cameron, Drury, Hall and Mc-Niven—vote the solid ticket.

### VICTORY CERTAIN IN THE OKANAGAN

Vernon, Feb. 1.—After a most arduous campaign the Liberals in the Okanagan on the eve of the election are confident of success to-morrow. It has probably been the greatest fight in the province, but it is believed that Dr. Macdonald, for a certainty will head the polls.

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THE BALLOT—Cameron, Drury, Richard Hall and McNiven.

Careful Estimate Indicates That Liberal Leader, J. A. Macdonald, Will Have a Good Working Majority.

Grave Contingency Which a Continuation of the McBride-Hawthornthwaite Rule Would Create.

British Columbia has reached the eve of election. The hour of consideration has passed, the time for action has come. Vague appeals to "let well enough alone," and stupid efforts to convince the public that a business and financial cataclysm will follow the advent of a Liberal Government to-morrow, should, to the thoughtful electors of the province, only emphasize the real danger which is imminent. To the sober-minded men of the community, from the honest day laborer to the captain of industry, the greatest evil to this country for the next four years lies in the possibility of an irresponsible, reactionary and numerically insignificant minority of the people controlling the government and placing its fell impress on our legislation.

Such was the result of the election of 1903, when Richard McBride, in a desperate effort to retain office, sold the Conservatives as well as the country at large to men who are at war with British systems of government and who would haul down a flag which, for a thousand years, has been the proud emblem not only of liberty but of sane and stable government.

Here is what Wm. Davidson, a Socialist member of the last House, says on that point:—

"All Bills prepared by the government had to be submitted to the Socialist members before they were brought before the House."

This was the record from 1903 to 1907! What is the prospect for the four years from 1907 forward, and what significance has it for the man who, to-morrow, is inclined to mark his ballot for a McBride candidate?

Richard McBride can, under no circumstances, secure a majority of straight supporters. If a sufficient number of radical Socialists are returned who, added to the government supporters, will give Mr. McBride a majority of even one he will accept power at their hands. That means four more long years of Hawthornthwaite—a domination intolerable to British people.

On the other hand, J. A. Macdonald, the Liberal chief believes, and an analysis of the situation will bear out his prediction, that he will have twenty-four members in the next House.

If he has not a clear working majority, he states distinctly he will at once resign and ask the country for a majority which will lift the government of this country on to a self-respecting basis.

Does any man doubt that in the event of such an appeal that he will get the required majority? The better way, the short way, is to vote the solid Liberal tickets to-morrow and give him that majority NOW.

The great body of Liberalism, of Labor, of Conservatism, should recognize the situation. To the Liberals Macdonald stands for economy, uprightness, efficiency and progress—four cardinal Liberal planks.

To Labor, he stands for a "square deal"—without demagogism or clap-trap—what J. A. Macdonald says he will do.

To Conservatives he promises at least government on patriotic and rational lines and in antagonism to forces which Conservatives and Liberals have unitedly fought in the past—the foes of the constitution. Premier McBride has treacherously betrayed many people, but none more than those whose titular chiefship he seized to become the legislative record and mouthpiece of a type of Socialism abhorrent even to the more reasonable men who subscribe to the general tenets of that faith.

For three and a half years the country has groaned under this thralldom.

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R. D. DRURY.

RICHARD HALL.

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**THE OSTRICH.**  
The stupidity of the ostrich, which, when hardly pressed, buries its head in the sand, under the impression that it is safe, has become proverbial. How like the ostrich is the utterance of Hon. E. Carter Cotton relative to the Caron-Green scandal, when he says: "You must, however, remember, that Green is no longer a member of the government, and this matter should not be taken as reflecting on the present government. Rather should it reflect credit on us that he is no longer with us."

Robson, Jan. 31.—We will make considerable gains in the interior and on the lower mainland, including the north.

My four of the province convinces me we shall easily win. Certainly McBride cannot win a majority of seats.

J. A. MACDONALD.

An analysis of the situation, based on the most reliable returns available indicates that the result of to-morrow's election may be fairly forecasted as follows:

Liberal—Cariboo (2), Chilliwack, Columbia, Cowichan, Granbrook, Delta, Esquimalt, Greenwood, Islands, Kaslo, Rossland, Saanich, Skeena, Vancouver (3), Victoria (4), Yale and Ymir—23.

Conservative—Fernie, Grand Forks, Lillooet, Revelstoke, Vancouver (2)—6.

Socialist—Slocan—1.

Labor—Newcastle—1.

Doubtful—Atlin, Alberni, Comox, Dewdney, Kamloops, Nanaimo, Nelson, New Westminster, Richmond, Similkameen, Okanagan—11.

It will be seen by the above that if the McBride government were to win every doubtful seat they could not control the House.

On the other hand the Liberals stand to increase even the 23 or 24 ridings, which seem to be sure for good government.

VOTE FOR DRURY, MCNIVEN, CAMERON AND RICHARD HALL.

**VOTING PLACES ON THE ISLAND**

**POLLING DEFERRED IN PART OF SKEENA**

**Hazelton and Allermere Divisions Will Not Hold Election Until Feb. 16.**

The polling place for the provincial election to-morrow will be the old Grand theatre. Under the present act the hours of polling in all constituencies is from 8 in the morning to 7 in the evening. No liquor can be sold on election day except after the hours when the poll closes.

An order in council has been passed altering the date for the holding of the election in the Aldermere and Hazelton polling places in the Skeena district. The date for the elections in these interior points is fixed for February 15th.

The polling places in the other Island constituencies will be as follows:—

Saanich Electoral District.  
Polling places:—Agricultural hall, Bolestone Road, schoolhouse, Cedar Hill road, schoolhouse, Agricultural hall, the Willows, Cadboro Bay road.

Esquimalt Electoral District.  
Polling places:—Esquimalt, schoolhouse, Lampson street, Colwood, schoolhouse, Metchosin, Public hall, West Sooke, schoolhouse, East Sooke, Mr. Oldershaw's house, Otter Point, Mr. E. Gordon's house, Port Renfrew, Mr. A. Blocky's house, Shawnigan Lake, Strathcona hotel, Cowichan Electoral District.

polling places:—Cobble Hill, Cowichan Station, Duncan, Someros.

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JARDINE AT PARSON'S BRIDGE. SUCCESSFUL MEETING HELD LAST NIGHT. If Elected He Promises to Tour Constituency Twice a Year Meeting All Electors.

J. Jardine, the Liberal candidate for Esquimalt, was the central figure at a representative meeting of electors held at the Parson's Bridge hotel last night. The audience was thoroughly in accord with Mr. Jardine, and testified to the belief in his candidature by frequent and stimulating rounds of applause. J. Atkins occupied the chair, and in a few well-chosen opening remarks said that the time had arrived for a change in the representation of the district. He considered that it was much safer in the interests of Esquimalt that one of themselves should take the helm. He then introduced the candidate. J. Jardine commenced by dealing with the municipal problem, and said he was opposed to the present system in vogue. He referred to the government's school bill. The Liberal candidate then dealt with the municipal council's power, after the 2nd inst. Continuing, he considered that it was his duty to call attention to the fact that it was an entirely false election war cry, inasmuch as there was no election in British Columbia, and he was not in thorough accord with the province's municipal council. He pointed out that the municipal council had adopted the measure in order to secure better terms for the most important and useful work. After dealing at length with the municipal council's power, he went on to speak of the condition of roads in the district. He had never seen them in a worse state, and it was not that sufficient money had not been spent, but that it had been spent in the wrong way. Mr. Jardine referred to the unfair manner in which the colonial newspaper was treating him, and deplored such unscrupulous tactics for electing purposes. In respect to a letter which had appeared in that paper from one John Strachan, he said that he was not acquainted with the writer, and he came every day to the office of the local directory. This, he thought, was sufficient commentary on the letter. He then continued his speech by saying that he was asked by a member of the audience, in the event of being elected, he would be prepared to meet the electors and discuss matters of interest. The candidate replied that he was prepared at any time to meet the electors, and he was determined to give every part of the district at least twice a year. The meeting ended with three hearty cheers for Mr. Jardine and the singing of God Save the King.

PRESAGE VICTORY IN GRAND FORKS. Liberal Ranks Swelled By Conservatives and Socialists Who Are Discontented With Candidate.

(Special to the Times.) Grand Forks, B. C., Feb. 1. Several hundred citizens gathered in the opera house last night for a meeting of the Liberal party. The well-known speakers addressed the audience on behalf of the candidature of the Socialist candidate, John McInnis. The best of the evening was given by an address by Mr. Jardine, who was warmly received by the audience. From the latest advice this morning it is believed that the Liberal ranks are being reinforced by a large number of the other parties. This, however, is a matter which cannot be definitely stated until the election. Advice from Phoenix, Cascade, Carson and Binnon City today assure a good majority for Gregory. The Liberal organizing committee are doing heroic work, and has the voters all combed over in a night? It is confidently expected that Mr. Gregory will have at least fifty of a majority tomorrow night.

TO-MORROW'S VOTE. THE PLACE—Old Grand Theatre, Johnson Street. THE TIME—Tomorrow. THE HOURS—8 a. m. to 7 p. m. THE BALLOT—Cameron, Dury, Richard, Hall and McNiven. The wise elector closes his eyes to all "rubbish." NEW ADVERTISEMENTS. WANTED—Together for Ascroft school, 50 per month. Apply Secretary. BOY WANTED—Apply G. D. Christie, shoe emporium, cor. Government and Johnson Streets. NOTICE—It is hereby given that I intend to apply to the Board of Licensing Commissioners of the City of Victoria at 10 o'clock on Monday, the 1st inst. for a license to sell intoxicating liquors on the premises situated on the north side of Johnson street, and known as the King's Head Saloon, to Charles Hensley, of Victoria, the 1st day of Feb. 1907. L. J. QUAGLIOTTI.

PIERCY AT SOUTH SAANICH. ENTHUSIASTIC RECEPTION BY ELECTORS. Discussed Issues of the Day and Received Many Pledges of Support.

About one hundred of the voters of Saanich attended the meeting in the Temperance hall, South Saanich, last evening. The Liberal candidate, John Piercy, was assisted on the platform by E. M. Wood, A. Huggett, Dr. Lewis Hall and J. Jennings. A feature of last evening's meeting was the absence of the interruptions from the few friends of Mr. Elberts who have been attending the various meetings of late. The only interruptions last night were a few witty interjections by the village blacksmith, which were met by the speaker in an opportunity to make telling points against the government policy. John Watt made an excellent chair, and the first speaker was Mr. Wood, of Atlin, who in a clear and impartial way pointed out that the candidates were not before the electors on their personal private record but upon the political issues which they were either attacking or defending. He pointed to the mismanagement of the McBride government and the action taken by the late cabinet. He said that he had left himself open to criticism by the manner in which he had dealt with the shares allotted to him by Sir Adolphe Caron. Continuing his remarks he told the electors that it rested with them to decide whether the questions well and vote according to the dictates of their conscience, but that if they wanted good clean government they would have to cast their ballots for Mr. Piercy.

MR. PIERCY. Mr. Piercy's popularity was shown by the applause which greeted his rising to speak at the meeting. He made a good speech, assuring the residents that if returned as their representative he would do all in his power to serve them faithfully and well. A. Huggett and Dr. Lewis Hall both dealt with several questions, paying special attention to the school act. Dr. Hall also dealt with the question of increased taxation and its effect upon the farmers. J. Jennings, a resident of the district, was listened to with a great deal of interest. He stated that he had at one time supported Mr. Elberts, but the course of that gentleman and the party he supported was such that he could not follow him. He was supporting the Liberal candidate who he felt would properly represent the constituency. The meeting closed, with cheers for Mr. Piercy.

SCHOOL BOARD CONSPIRACY. To the Editor:—It is needless to reiterate my statement in a former letter concerning the report of my remarks at the A. O. U. W. hall meeting. The citizens of Victoria are entitled to know the truth, and I am quite certain will fully justify the attitude I adopted. Trustee Jay's letter in the Colonist of yesterday, however, has induced me to further comment. With him I deplore the attempt to draw the affairs of the school board into the maelstrom of party politics, and I am quite certain will fully justify the attitude I adopted. Trustee Jay's letter in the Colonist of yesterday, however, has induced me to further comment. With him I deplore the attempt to draw the affairs of the school board into the maelstrom of party politics, and I am quite certain will fully justify the attitude I adopted.

MR. ADAMS OF PINE STREET. To the Editor:—The correspondent in Thursday's Colonist, signed "Jno. W. Adams," is evidently much mistaken as to his address. I have been a resident of Pine street, Victoria West for the past 16 years, and to my knowledge there has never been a person of that name residing on the above street, and I think I can vouch for the sentiments of my neighbors when I say that it would be a gross insult to the fair name of Victoria West to have a person of such false representations in our midst, and it is to be sincerely hoped that "Jno. W. Adams'" children have been brought up in a more truthful manner. JNO. HARPER, Sr., 1104 Pine street, Victoria West.

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THE DUTY OF ELECTORS

"A campaign of slander and scandal," the Colonist murmurs as it gathers its Phrasical robes around its dearest of questionable respectability. We are constrained to wonder what kind of a campaign the Conservative party would have carried on had it had half the opportunity the Liberals have had in dealing with the record of the McBride government. We can't see our contemporary something it knows well, and that the public also knows well, that the Times has dealt very tenderly with Premier McBride and with the late Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works and their proved connection with the most disreputable hand of fraudsters that ever dared to show their hands in this or in any other province of the Dominion or in any country in the world for that matter. In consequence of personal appeals and out of regard for the parties concerned, we have suppressed much that might have been exposed, and would have been exposed with unbooby grace if the circumstances of the political parties had been reversed (something of course that is inchoate).

We say, therefore, that everything that has been published about the Kaituma Island deal is absolutely true and according to the records.

That the Kaituma scandal involving the transfer to favorites of reserved lands on what was expected to prove the terminus of a transcontinental railway, was even more scandalous in some of its features than the Kaituma Island affair.

That there was no justification whatever for the bestowal of eight hundred thousand acres of public land upon the Columbia & Western Railway Company, because that company had neither moral nor legal right to such a grant.

That the treatment of the Midway & Vernon Railway Company was clearly unjustifiable and was dictated by the great corporation which, in company with the Socialists, fashioned the policy of the government.

That the late Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works accepted a handsome consideration from a Conservative politician of his own type, which consideration was bestowed for corrupt purposes.

That every single member of the government was aware of the acceptance of \$37,000 worth of shares by Mr. Green and sat with him in council for months after becoming cognizant of the facts and therefore is equally responsible with Mr. Green for the acceptance of the shares, knowing the purpose for which they had been proffered and accepted.

That Mr. Green would still have been a member of the government but for the action of certain Conservatives of Vancouver, who became aware of what had occurred and insisted that the cabinet should be purged of a portion of its unclean elements on pain of exposure.

That there is reason to believe that only a particle of the corruption that has been going on in the Lands and Works Department under Mr. Green's administration has been exposed.

That the whole administrative career of the McBride government has brought the province into disrepute and disgrace and that it is now high time the tide of infamy should be permanently stemmed.

That even if the Liberal party under Mr. J. A. Macdonald had no other policy than a policy of cleaning the Lands and Works Department, the people of British Columbia would be justified in supporting and electing that candidates of that party.

That the Liberal party has a strong policy which has been clearly outlined during the campaign.

That the Liberal party has in the field to-day a strong force of the ablest men that ever asked for support from the electors of British Columbia.

That the Liberal party will have in the Legislature a contingent of the ablest and most experienced business men that ever assembled to do business on the right hand of Mr. Speaker.

That in view of what has occurred and what is on the point of being fulfilled it is unquestionably the duty of all patriotic British Columbians of all

government during the next four years, to vote for Messrs. Drury, Cameron, R. Hall and McNiven, the candidates of the Liberal party, and supporters of Mr. J. A. Macdonald.

THE DUTY OF VICTORIANS

Again we are assured that stability and confidence are necessary to the business health of British Columbia, a proposition the soundness of which can scarcely be denied. The only master for the electors to determine is how stability can be secured and confidence produced. It has been asserted and the assertion has not been controverted that during the past three years and a half every measure proposed by the government was prior to its submission to the House laid before the Socialists for their endorsement. That is practically a confession that the three Socialists have controlled the legislative functions which, under a constitutional system of government, we are supposed to enjoy in British Columbia. That is that the McBride administration relinquished its control over legislation for the sake of being permitted to hold office and exercise the administrative duties of a cabinet. Is not that a fair and absolutely correct statement of the position of the McBride government—a position we are surprised to see its supporters have not taken the opportunity of denying?

It is obvious from the sources of political events and from the attitude of the McBride ministers that the government has no hope whatever of being able to continue in existence except with the aid it relies upon receiving from Comrade Hawthornthwaite and the increased number of supporters he says he will have in the legislature that will be elected to-morrow. While it is apparent that a working arrangement has been entered into between the Conservative party as represented by Premier McBride and the Socialists whereby it is hoped to augment the strength of the revolutionary party we do not believe the conspiracy will have the result intended. The eyes of the electorate have been opened to the true significance of the events by the political events of the past three years.

There are strong Liberal candidates in the field in every constituency, and we believe the straight McBride and the Socialist strength will be found to have suffered considerably. But, supposing that, as a consequence of sharing in the campaign fund and in all the appliances Premier McBride has placed at his disposal, Comrade Hawthornthwaite should be returned to the Legislature with an increased majority, would that be a consummation the people who desire stability and an increasing confidence of capital could be expected to rejoice over?

The point, therefore, for business men and of all men engaged in industrial pursuits, of all men who have a real interest in the future of British Columbia, to carefully consider at this critical stage in our history is whether it would be well to place in power a government admittedly dominated by revolutionary Socialists. Can anyone predict with certainty the character of the demands they would make upon the government whose policy they dictated, into what depths they would plunge the province as the price of their support? There is scarcely any doubt that the candidates of the Liberal party will carry a majority of the seats in the province. There are good prospects of the Liberal party securing a safe working majority over the combination that is arrayed against it. All the circumstances, considered, therefore, is it necessary to again point out the duty of Victorians? They should turn out to a man and cast their ballots for the candidates of the Liberal party: Messrs. Cameron, Drury, R. Hall and McNiven, not because of a mere mercenary desire to be on the winning side, but because it is a patriotic duty they owe to the whole province, because the record of the government is a disgrace to British Columbia and because to elect a single supporter of it would be a lasting reproach not only to the intelligence of our citizens, but would be a reflection upon their morality.

ELECTION REFLECTIONS

An honest voter cannot endorse shady transactions; if he does he is as guilty as the grafters.

One of the saddest events in British Columbia political life is the banishment of the late Attorney-General and quondam leader of the has-been party to the placer mines of the interior. His speeches to the electors of that district have not been reported.

The Conservatives will not need to crawl into a hole to-morrow. They will be pitched in by the intelligent voters of the province who have no use for pettifogart grafters.

One member of the government was cast off, because he was too honest; another because well for another reason.

The Times has too high an opinion of the intelligence of the people of British Columbia to imagine that they could be again fooled after the experiences of the past three years.

What will the next Legislature do without Bowser?

An over supply of gall is said to lead to much bitterness. Any person who

a city whose interests were thwarted must have. The bitterness will come.

So it was Bodwell that saved the country, not McBride.

The McBride government is in desperate straits. The Colonist has resorted to questionable expedients in a desperate effort to stem the tide that is running so strongly against it. During the course of the campaign, if has stamped itself as incapable of belief. Therefore anything our contemporary may contain to-morrow, and no doubt it will spring some sensational statements in the hope of catching the votes of credulous electors, should not be considered for a moment.

Mr. Bodwell has spoken on behalf of the McBride government. He might have been expected to display better taste and sounder judgment. But Mr. Bodwell has not dealt with the subject he is understood to be capable of throwing a bright light upon. It but remains now for the Colonist to secure interviews with the remaining members of the band of adventurers (male and female). Perhaps it will round off its list to-morrow morning.

The Colonist has made another discovery and sagely remarks that "it is only fools who are opposing Premier McBride in the present campaign." Still, that does not satisfactorily explain away the fact that none of the old-line, better class of Conservatives are to be found among the ardent supporters of the aspiring Richard.

We are pleased indeed to hear that Premier McBride has completely recovered from his temporary indisposition. If he has, and if he is going to appear at a public meeting in Victoria this evening, he should be eager for the opportunity of meeting Mr. W. W. B. McInnes in debate. If he is not pugilistically why does he not accept the challenge of the Liberals?

Victorians should not forget that the eyes of the province are upon them. They are expected to do their part in turning out of power the most corrupt and shameless government, on the confession of its own members, that has ever existed.

Electors of Victoria, remember that Premier McBride has been the most implacable enemy of this city who ever sat in the Legislature. Are you going to be cajoled into licking the foot that kicked you?

What is this we hear about the settlement of the Indian reserve question. Just on the eve of an election? But then is D. M. Eberts, K. C., not going to build a railway to the Mainland also?

The wise elector closes his eyes to all roorbachs.

A CHARACTERISTIC COLONIST ROORBACH

In the Colonist this morning Mayor Morley declares without qualification that "we have letters from the provincial secretary stating that the government is ready and willing to transfer its reversionary rights in the reserve (Songhees) to the municipal corporation."

He elaborates on "the fairness of the government," and speaks of what he intends to do "now that we have been granted the reversionary rights from the provincial government."

The whole statement is mischievous if not designedly misleading.

The proposition which the provincial government has intimated has intention to stand by, in return for the city setting twenty-five acres for park and school purposes, is contained in the agreement submitted to the committee of the city council last year.

In return for this small portion of the reserve the city is forced to agree to return the value of these lands to the government, the sum specified being \$30,000.

This is about as near the truth as some of the government champions seem able to get.

A meeting in the interest of John Jardine, Liberal candidate in Esquimalt, will be held this evening in the Lamson street school. The candidate, Dr. Lewis Hall and Mr. McCurdy will speak.

Thos. C. Carter, aged 83 years, and a native of Carl County, Ohio, died at his residence, No. 47 Maitland street, this morning. The deceased has been a respected member of the Masonic order in the United States, where he belonged. He lately lived in Spokane and Seattle. He leaves a niece here to mourn his loss. The funeral will take place on Sunday at 2 p.m. from the parlors of W. J. Hanna, Rev. LeRoy Dakin officiating.

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Cameron, Drury, R. Hall and McNiven vote the solid ticket.

THE PLACE—Old Grand Theatre, Johnson Street. THE TIME—To-morrow.

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ENDING LIFE WITH REVOLVER

Philadelphia, Pa., Feb. 1.—Edward P. Hipple, a brother of the late Frank Hipple...

INTEMPERATE HABITS INCREASE THE LIABILITY TO CONSUMPTION

The susceptibility of people to tuberculosis is just about trebled by intemperate habits...

GAZETTE'S NOTICE

The Gazette of this week contains notice of the following appointments...

PRaises WORK OF SWEETENHAM

London, Feb. 1.—Sir Alfred Jones, president of the Liverpool Chamber of Commerce...

INTERVIEW WITH SIR ALFRED JONES

Says Governor of Kingston Did Everything Possible Under the Circumstances

DEATH OF PIONEER

Word has been received of the death of Capt. Louis Whitney, pioneer fisherman...

DISPUTE IS SETTLED

The difference that has existed between the Alaska Steamship Company and the Mariners and Pilots Association...

MARINE NOTES

Steamer Tadena of the Blue Funnel line has sailed for Vancouver...

TO-MORROW'S VOTE

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FULTON'S REASONING EXCITED WONDER

Kamloops, Feb. 1.—Attorney-General Fulton, the Conservative candidate here...

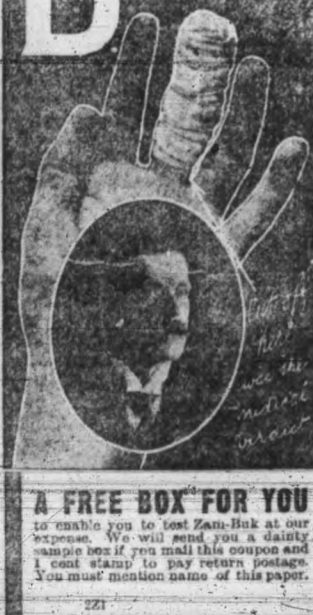
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THE BALL AT GOVERNMENT HOUSE—HIS HONOR AND MRS. DUNSMUIR—GOVERNMENT HOUSE AND THE BALL AT GOVERNMENT HOUSE

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DAWSON, ATLIN, FORTY-MILE & LOWER YUKON RIVER POINTS. The only way to reach the above points is via WHITE PASS AND YUKON ROUTE...

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BY W. W. B. MINNES

Great Liberal Meeting in New Westminster to Hear Speaker Announce His Platform.

It was a Liberal meeting in the opera house Wednesday night, and one of the largest and most enthusiastic of its kind ever held in this constituency.

Mr. Macgowan had such a contemptuous opinion of Mr. Bowser that he absolutely refused to appear on the same platform with him.

deal with. The most impudent answer to the question had been made that evening when Mr. Bowser had brazenly answered "We have nothing to do with Bob Green."

"We have got them on the run," he continued. "It is up to the electors of New Westminster to say whether they will join the possession of winners."

THE FRIENDS OF THE CITY. In the last session of the legislature a bill was submitted to the government on behalf of the city of Victoria which had a double object.

One cause of quarrel between Mr. Charles Wilson and his late colleagues was that the former's hair stood on end so persistently that it kept the cabinet in a continual state of nervousness.



CAPT. JOHN IRVING, Candidate in Atlin.

CANDIDATES NOMINATED

Table with columns: Constituency, Liberal, Conservative, Independent. Lists candidates for various constituencies including Alberni, Atlin, Columbia, Cowichan, Comox, Cranbrook, Delta, Esquimalt, Fernie, Grand Forks, Greenwood, Inland, Kaslo, Nanaimo, Newcastle, New Westminster, Okanagan, Revelstoke, Rossland, Skeena, Vancouver, and Victoria.







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