BUSINESS BEFORE

THE CONTRACT FOR SUPPLYING GRAVEL

Awarded Messrs. Bryce and Heaney-Another Letter From Hon. J. S Helmcken re. Heywood Ave.

Only one or two matters of special importance occupied the attention of the city council at the regular meeting held on Monday. Mayor Barnard presided, and Alds. Fullerton, Douglas, Stewart, Hanna, Elford, Oddy and Fell were present. Among the usual of communications was one budget of communications from Hon. J. S. Helmcken regarding the protest of residents Heywood avenue against the laying of a cement sidewalk on that thoroughfare.

It provoked some debate and, finally, was referred to the solicitor for legal advice. A petition from a number of citizens asking that public tenders be invited for supplying the corporation with the gravel necessary to fill the James Bay flats also caused considerable discussion. The contract, however, was formally awarded to Messrs. Bryce and Heaney on a motion, which carried by a

large majority. The Dominion government acknowledged the council's application for a grant of the foreshore on Dallas road at the south end of Oswego street. Re-

A communication was read from the marine and fisheries department announcing that the city's request for foreshore privileges on portions of Rock Bay would receive consideration. D. M. Rogers wrote regarding the re-

pairing of a condemned wharf on James Bay harbor. Received and filed. A communication requesting the removal of certain poplar trees in the Quadra street cemetery will be brought to the attention of the contractor in charge of the clearing of that property In this connection it was pointed out that many of those protesting against the improvements recently decided upon were not aware of the council's intentions. Only the poplar threes were being removed. The others would be Howed to stand so that the appearance of the old cemetery would not only be unimpaired, but greatly enhanced.

The following letter was submitted by Hon. J. S. Helmeken and residents of Heywood avenue: His Worship the Mayor and Aldermen

the City of Victoria, B. C .: Gentlemen:-Your city clerk, Mr. Dowler has, "by direction," sent the undersigned (J. S. H.) a copy of the opinion of your (acting) city solicitor relating to a petition signed by several persons owning land imdown at their expense a cement pavement on Heywood avenue, in lieu of the present he stated that, in his opinion, the city plank sidewalk, for reasons stated in my letter to your lionorable body on May 16th public thoroughfare and advised that the inst., which letter must be read in conjunction with, and explanatory of, the present one.

public thoroughtare and advised applicant be informed that the matter was one outside the purple was one of the council. Received and filled.

For the copy of your solicitor's opinion

merely a question of taxation between myosition of one of the people "in common" to which people practice of lighting fires on the point, the public park belongs by virtue of the and also to the fact that there were no gift made by the Hudson's Bay Company | means of keeping cattle from the pro to the public more than fifty years ago. This perty. Some rule would have to be gift being the charter of the public "in adopted and enforced to overco As trustees they do not own one particle of the land of the public park, cannot legal- matter was left over until later. ly elienate any portion of it, cannot alter its

It is respectfully submitted that the solicitor of your honorable body totally ignores the main issue, viz., the "charter" of the rights of the people in common to the ic park, viz., the gift of the Hudson's Bay Company.

It is now the disagreeable duty of the undersigned, for himself and others, to refute the opinion and statements of your acting city solicitor. In the first section of the printed opinion

the solicitor states: "That J. S. Helmcken contends that Heywood avenue is not a blic street," but is a park road forming part of Beacon Hill park, "and consequently that the proposed improvement is to the park itself."

Your petitioners still maintain the positions given in their former petition of the 16th May instant. And further, still maintain that their and other properties do not abut on Heywood avenue, but on the undary of the park. This boundary, although only a line on the map, is a barrier as effectual as a stone wall to separate it from the park. They still further maintain that the Local Improvement By-Law and the Municipal Clauses Act, do not apply to the park, notwithstanding the adverse opinion of your solicitor, based as it is on false premises.

Following this up he states: "That this objection is not well founded Heywood avenue is a street and is graded to the level of the abutting property (this moved that the petitioners be so in-Heywood avenue is a street and is graded I deny .- J. S. H.), and affords convenience of access to the resident property owners. The street is in parts sewered, water pipes are laid, and it is lighted at the public exconveniences being outside of park pur-

The undersigned, for himself and others, reply that the grading of the avenue, such as it is, is common to all the roads, paths. portion was done long ago (the grading not being permanent), and is for the convenience of everybody. Heywood avenue has one boundary only. With regard to the the expenditure of \$50 for a cup for comwater pipes, these were laid down by the "city waterworks" for business purposes people who use the water pay for it and the corporation gains a large profit ed. that this improvement has been made at

portion of sewer made on the upper per- sum was suggested for the completi tion of the avenue. It may here be remarked that many water pipes have been laid down in the park, notably to "Burns Memorial," Goodacre lake, and even outside the city limits for the city's profitable branch business, viz., the city waterworks.

As to lighting, it is conspicuously known by its meagreness, and the little there is is

An amendment that the report be referred back to the committee for reconpaid for in the shape of taxes, like the other residents of the city.

All amendment that the report be referred back to the committee for reconsideration and the drafting of plans was

passed.

were recommended paid. Carried. On motion of Ald. Oddy the contrac

for supplying gravel for the filling of th

Messrs. Bryce and Heaney, the only dissenting voice being that of Ald. Ful-

The by-law for the construction of

ermanent sidewalks on portions of Pan

ora avenue, Vancouver street, and

blanchard street, as a work of local im

third time, and finally adopted without

On motion of Ald. Hanna the Streets

vames Alteration bylaw was laid over.

of the Spring Ridge sewerage difficulty

"I suggest that you ask members of

After the consideration of other mat

THE NET RETURNS

From Recent Dance Given By Daugh

ters of Pity-Monday's Meeting.

A meeting of the Daughters of Pit

ternoon when it was reported that \$150

represented the net proceeds from the re-

cent dance given in aid of the children's ward. This included donations in cash

ton, Mrs. Curtis, a friend and Mr. Rich-

ttees and are thanked by the so-

Fell, Bone, Williams, T. Fell and

Daughters, Mesdams Potts, Wootton, Angus, Austin, Leitch, D. Sehl, P.

Green, Backer, Pooley; and from the

Women's Auxiliary, Mesdames Watson,

Griffith, Simpson, James Anderson, H. Clay and Hasell. Assistance was also

gratefully received from the following firms: Messrs. R. P. Rithet & Co., Ltd.,

Wilson Bros., B. Wilson Co., Thorpe &

Miss D. Sehl agreed to undertake the

musical programme for the annual ser

vice at the Jubilee hospital on Sunday next, and it was decided to hold no meet-

ing in June. The annual meeting of the

Women's Auxiliary will be held in the city hall on June 27th at 3 p.m., and the

executive was instructed to attend the

annual meeting of the board of directors

The hon, president reported that the

private room and also six of the cots in the children's ward are already taken.

for equipment by individuals or societies

It was moved that one cot be set aside

for the Daughters of Pity, subject to a

J. W. Moxley Believes Grand Trunk Pa-

siric Will Come South of

Pine River Pass.

J. W. Moxley, who has spent two

years in the northern interior of British

Columbia, is at the Driard. During

that time he has been practically re-

moved from civilization, prospecting in

the country between the headwaters of

Mr. Moxley in fact inclines to the belief

that that country was "Mother Na-

ture's last work, and the place where

Mr. Moxley lived formerly in the Kootenays and Cariboo. In the more

Not until he reached Fort St. George

on his way out did he learn who ha

been elected President of the United

Trunk Pacific engineer, food to piece

run short of provisions, the aid coming

Asked what his opinion of the country

vas with respect to mineral resources

Mr. Moxley said there was just enough

to keep a man on the search. He will

The district in which Mr. Moxley

worked is heavily timbered; he says.

out covered with excellent timber, so

The timber is being staked off by

anticipation of the Grand Trunk Pacific

coming through there has been the great

With respect to the route of the

Grand Trunk Pacific through the Rockies Mr. Moxley inclines to the opin

thinks that a pass south of that will b

taken which he thinks would be known

as the Salmon River Pass. The advan

tages in favor of the later is that the

easier than any of the others. The ap

The Salmon River Pass, which he t

erested parties in long stretches.

est activity in staking timber lands

The land in the Fraser valley is rich

NORTHERN INTERIOR

to be also held next month.

HAS RETURNED FROM

then adjourned.

she rests.

Co., Morley, Munro and Jamieson.

The following members served

took place in the city hall Monday at

the streets committee," replied the

Bay flats was formally awarded

With regard to ingress and egress ,the petitioners, like other people, have enjoyed from time immemorial. If the wooden sidewalk be meant, the answer is, that they hald for the wooden sidewalk like all the and owners, in taxes. They do, however, bject to be specially taxed for an uncessary cement sidewalk within the park. If the cement be considered an improvement in and to the park, the public must pay for it as they do for the other improvements The laying down of water or sewer pipes on Heywood avenue or elsewhere canno ossibly give the corporation any rights, proprietory or other, to the corporation The public park is unalienable, cannot b legally seized. The flagstaff in Beacon Hill cannot give the corporation the right to carry it away to fill up James Bay or the

holes at Spring Ridge. All these facts utterly refute you solicitor's statements and argument. Your solicitor, governed by his premises ters of little importance the meeting ad-journed. already shown to be false. Your solicitor makes the following astounding statement,

conclusion and deduction: (The city, who is the city? The people or their representatives?)

"The city must be deemed to have taken the road out of the park and made it a public street."

Your solicitor virtually says that the city has illegally appropriated to the corporation for its gain property legally belonging to the people in common, viz., a large portion of the public park, and made it a part of the city, in spite of boundaries, charter and everything else. from Mrs. J. A. Douglas, Mrs. Charles F. Todd, Forbes G. Vernon, Mrs. Wal-This 's so incredible that it makes one

pause. It is impossible. It is most respectfully submitted, the 'opinion" of your solicitor is merely a clever special pleading. An attempt to make the Local Improvement By-Law and the Municipal Clauses Act apply to the ciety, Misses Hiscocks, Scott, Strongren residents, your petitioners on the borders Mr. and Mrs. Jenner; from the King's of, but outside the boundaries of the park. What a failure!

With every respect, Your obedient servant,

HON. J. S. HELMCKEN. Ald. Douglas thought that as all resients of that thoroughfare seemed to be unfavorable to the cement sidewalk pro-position, it might be left in abeyance for e present. He moved to that effect. "As a matter of fact the majority of the property holders are in favor of the cement sidewalks," said Ald. Oddy. "Hon, J. S. Helmcken is a large

holder, and should receive some consideration," retorted Ald. Douglas. An amendment to the effect that the matter be referred to the city solicitor for an expression of opinion carried, The city solicitor reported respecting the merits of an application that the corporation take action in the matter of an signed by several persons owning land im-mediately outside the boundaries of the public park, against the proposal to lay public park, against the proposal to lay from Catherine to Mary streets. After

H. Austin, who is in charge of the please accept the thanks of the undersign- civic improvements at Curtis Point, recommended the appropriation of some It is respectfully submitted that your thing over \$100 for the construction of

self and your honorable body, whereas the Ald. Douglas, on behalf of the park ion," your petitioners determined to former nuisance, and a fence was necesuphold and maintain it in its integrity and sary if it was the intention to keep the to transmit the same unimpaired to their point in a condition fitting a public park. successors. Of this charter your honorable The funds for such purposes, however, pody are the trustees for park purposes. Were not available unless a special disface of a human being, but has been pensation was made by the council. The

> ed regarding the construction of sidewalks on various streets. He recommended that the work be proceeded with mediately. Adopted.

O. Lucas, of Tolmie avenue, wrote northern parts he has acquired a vast protesting against the alleged unlawful fund of general knowledge relative to action of the poundkeeper in seizing his action of the poundkeeper in seizing his horse while grazing outside the city limits.

the district. With Fort St. George as horse while grazing outside the city limits base of supply he has built a cabin in a central location for his work.

Ald. Oddy thought an injustice had been done in this case, and, therefore, moved that the fine imposed be refunded.

States at the last election. Last winter he says he gave A S. Going, the Grand A number of residents of Superior street petitioned for the installation of a drainage system for the purpose of him out on his stremuous trip. When carrying water off several lots in that be reached Mr. Moxley's cabin he had locality. Received and referred to the

ciey engineer for report.

R. Baker and seventy-five others submitted a petition requesting that tenders be called for supplying the corporation with gravel for the filling of James Bay

go back to the district as he has inter This caused some discussion. It will ests which it is impossible to forfeit be remembered that at the recent mecting of the council a letter was read from siderable trapping and hunting to break the monotony, and has brought down Messrs, Bryce and Heaney offering to furnish 10,000 yards of gravel from spring Ridge at 50 cents per yard. This with him a valuable collection of furs was accepted on the majority vote, Ald. to dispose of. Fullerton, Elford and Hall being opposed to the proposal. The petition was a re-

sult of this action. Ald. Oddy and others pointed out that

Ald. Fullerton objected, but the mo tion was put and carried.

A number of Toronto street residents requested the installation of a larger water main on that thoroughfare. Referred

to the water commissioner. A report from the Carnegie library commissioners was submitted asking for an additional appropriation for the suitable furnishing of that building. It was referred to the streets, bridges and sewers committee for consideration.

The finance committee recommended petition at the forthcoming B. C. Rifle "Victoria Corporation Trophy." Adopt-

Rockies is very similar to the other being a long easy ascent. Members of the park committee reported respecting the improvements to fers to has the advantage of being s the Curtis Point park at the Gorge. The what equally easy on the western fers to has the advantage of being some The same may be truly said of the small expenditure of a comparatively small

of the work.

This was supported by Ald. Oddy and others, but Mayor Barnard and Ald.

sideration and the drafting of plans was IS THE CONCLUSION OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES Accounts to the amount of \$3,071.80

> Opinion of Attorney-General Will Be Asked on Question of Expenditures.

Two important decisions were arrived rovement, was read a first, second and at at the special meeting of the school rustees called on Monday to consider the reply of the city council to the board's request for an appropriation for Ald, Hanna wanted to know the status current expenditure. One was that the board cannot see its way clear to reduce the estimates it had prepared for ordinary expenditure, and the other was that a copy of the estimates shall be with the request that the opinion of the attorney-general be obtained. It was shown that \$57,030 represented the actual pay roll for teachers' salaries.

Secretary Eaton said that at the end of June the amount thus expended would reach \$34,743.95. There were still five nonths to be paid for, and this sum amounted to \$23.995, making the total \$58,738.95. This was assuming that there will be no changes in the summer months. As a matter of fact, however, there will be. By this computation also Trustee Lewis observed the board were over \$700 behind.

Secretary Eaton said that by reason of the change in the payment of the eachers' salary the board would be out \$1,000.

Trustee Jay considered that the counril had no right to dictate in the matter of school expenditure. He quoted from the School Act to support his opinion. The council are not entitled to limit the amount of the ordinary expenditure and the trustees should protest strongly in the matter. To reduce the thing to an absurdity if the board had the power to limit the appropriation by three thousand dollars it could by \$35,000 or even to nothing. The trustees should take a firm stand on this matter. He moved, econded by Trustee Huggett:

That the communication of the city clerk e received, and that the council be in formed that while the board is prepared to exercise economy in the administration school appropriations, they cannot reduce the amount of estimates of ordinary exenditure without seriously impairing efficiency of the city schools; and further that they do not admit the power of the council to reduce or amend the estimate of the board for ordinary expenditure, and vote at the next meeting. The gathering they emphatically protest against the attempt of the council to abrogate to themselves the right to finally settle the amount of the annual ordinary expenditure of the

> Chairman Boggs remarked that the council was not governed by the School Act, but by the Municipal Clauses Act, Under this act, too, the council have a right to limit the grant to \$58,000. The School Act on the other hand indicated

that the council had no such power.

Trusfee Jay said that at the time the new School Act was before the House biguity of the wording of the two acts. and his reply was that the act had existed for many years, and had worked all right.

Trustee Mowat, while supporting the motion, said that, it might be well to the Fraser and the Parsnip rivers. For have a judicial opinion on the matter. For this purpose a committee might be appointed by the trustees to confer with the council. The board can run the schools on the appropriation made. If it came to such a pass the schools could be closed in November. It would be better to do this than overdraw on

> Chairman Boggs said there was no danger of an overdraft. As long as he was chairman he would not sign any Trustees Jay and Mrs. Jenkins thought it right to press the matter along the iines outlined by the motion, the latter frustee adding that present a location for his works.

crisis was no new one.

Trustee Huggett advised that the board continue to run the schools until of Duncans. Mr. Pendray was also in the council calls a halt. Then the council could take the responsibility. He that is applied for by Mr. Pendray thought the remark of the chairman about four-fifths of an acre, which about not signing vouchers very unfortunate. He hoped that it would not be action, and the chairman ought to fall discuss the matter with Mr. Pendray in line with the opinion of the majority any way. They turned their faces abso of the board

board should take encouragement by the utter collapse of two similar attempts will have to be faced in settling the Inboard should take encouragement by the made by former councils, one in Victoria and one in Vancouver; the first the Indians on this question of a lease during ex-Mayor Redfern's regime. He to Mr. Pendray would indicate that the considered that both clauses were greatest difficulty will be encountered in harmonious—one conformed with the other. The council was authorized by one to apply two mills for schools, while the other says that they may levy special rate. The interpretation he put on the act was that it defined the procedure in raising ordinary revenue. thought that the council would find a way out of the matter, and he did not

see that it was necessary to raise legal difficulties.

The motion was then put and carried.

Trustee Jay then moved: That a copy of the estimates of ordinary penditure and of the correspondence re ating thereto between the council and the ard be forwarded to the council of public instruction with the suggestion that the pinion of the Anorney-General be obtained upon the question at variance.

The motion was seconded by Truste Mrs. Jenkins, and after some further discussion, in which Trustee Mowat pointed out the futility of getting any lawyer's advice it was put to the meet ing and passed. It would be just as well Trustee Mowat thought to settle the

tion to deferring the question if the board were otherwise agreed.
Secretary Eaton then referred to the necessity of a new roof on the school in Victoria West, which would not be

habitable for another winter.

This question brought up the old subject of a new school for that district. Trustee Jay wanted the by-law providing for the money required for the pur-pose put before the people at once, but Trustee Mowat asked that the matter be laid over for a while. The by-law, if put before the people at the time when the one is to be voted on, deciding for a full paid fire department, would receive nore consideration.

This suggestion was approved, and

after some discussion over the improve-ments at the Central school grounds the board adjourned.

TWO GREAT DIVINES. Rev. Dr. Campbell Delivered Two Lec-tures in First Presbyterian

Dr. Campbell in First Presbyterian church on Sunday gave two lectures, one in the morning on John Knox, and another in the evening on John Wesley. Of Knox he said that he was the one Scotchman to whom Scotland owed more than to any other. To understand his character was to know the great spiritual sent to the council of public instruction revolution of which he was the storm centre. Were it not for his educational and religious work Scotland would not stand to-day in the proud and influential position she occupies. He was like Luther a Roman Catholic priest, after-

wards becoming minister of the Church of England taking part in compiling the "Book of Common Prayer," and the "Thirty-nine Articles." He was the father of the Presbyterian church, and became the moderatior of the first general assembly of the church of Scotland, which met in Edinburgh on the 20th December, 1554, and soon after be came minister of St. Giles, the most influential congregation in Scotland. Although the Reformation made con

siderable progress before he appeared, he was the commander raised like Joshua to lead the people into the "fire zone" and cheer them on to victory. Paul was the father of Presbyterianism Knox was the father of the Presbyterian church in Scotland. He died in 1572, his last words being: "I commend my soul, spirit and body into Thy hands, O Lord."

He died, but his work goes on, for the work is greater than the worker. The heroes of the Mayflower, with Cromwell and Hambden, Whitefield and Wesley, Chalmers and Candlish, show that the work and spirit of John Knox live after

Of John Wesley, the doctor said, there was no greater man in the last century. His grandfather was a Presbyterian. His father was a minister of the Church of England, but his mother was a Pres byterian of education, refinement and niety. Such was her influence over her family in moulding their character that i may be said that to-day her hand rings the Methodist church bell around the world.

high Church of England, his first ap-pointment being that of missionary to the Indians in Georgia. His preaching was so strange that the European popu lation of Georgia were not sure whethe he was a Churchman or a Dissenter, or a three. When he returned to England the churches of his own denomination were closed against him, and he took to open-air preaching. He did not wish to senarate from the Church of England but the clergy treated him so coldly that he was frozen out. He taught the doctrines of that church and approved her. policy. If the bishops of the Church of England had had more tact and wisdom would have retained him and their church would have been stimulated and strengthened by the spiritual life which through his instrumentality would have been infused, for at that time religion was dead among churchmen and dissenters. The growth of Methodism has been marvellous, and is now in touch with almost all parts of the world. present union is in the air." said Dr Campbell, "and let us pray that soon that union may touch the earth, and Methodist, Congregationalist and Pres-

byterian may be one to carry on the work of the Lord." WOULD NOT NEGOTIATE.

Indians Refused to Discuss Lease With W. J. Pendray. The Songhees Indians refuse to discuss the question of a grant of land be ing made for the use of W. J. Pendray as

A meeting of the Indians was held Monday with Indian Agent Robertson, attendance to present his request. All about four-fifths of an acre, which he offers to lease for his purpose

The Indians, it is said, fully discussed made public in the press. The board the question among themselves, and then ought to be dignified in defending its unanimously decided that they would not lutely against the proposition to leas Secretary Eaton thought that the any part of the land.

getting their consent to any final settlement of the whole question.

SOCIAL IN SAANICH. Farewell to Rev. T. H. Wright and Mr. and Mrs. Brooks

In South Saanich Methodist church Tuesday a farewell social was tendered to Rev. T. H. Wright, who has been transferred to Duncans. The social was ntend as a send-off to Mr. Wright, and Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Brooks, of the same church, who are about to take up their residence in Victoria. Among those present were Rev. G. K. B. Adams, of the Metropolitan Methodist church, and Rev. Dr. Reid, who gave short addresses. An enjoyable programme with plenty of refreshments made the evening pass pleasantly. An address was presented to Mr.

and Mrs. Brooks as follows: The members and adherents of the Methodist church, South Saanich, desire to conservices to the community in general, and out his stock and wares, and hundreds of a lamp and blow pipe you can make fire-

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was largely owing to your zeal and liberality that the present church was erected free of debt, and it has ever received your most generous support. Your home has even afforded a welcome to the minister of the Gospel. Mr. Brooks, by his regular attendance at the means of grace, and as a member of the quarterly official board, has ever sought to advance the interests of the cause of Christ. Whilst regretting your departure from the vicinity, we desire assure you that you have our best wishes Victoria, where we trust you will enjoy great comfort and happiness.

FAREWELL ADDRESS

Presented to Rev. J. P. Westman Congregational Social on Monday Evening.

'An address was presented to Rev. J P. Westman, of the Centennial Methodist church, and Mrs. Westman, at the farewell social tendered by the congregation on Monday evening. The address was read by F. W. Davey on behalf of the congregation, and is as follows: Victoria, B. C.,

May 29th, 1905. Rev. J. P. and Mrs. Westman: Dear Brother and Sister:—We, the undersigned, desire on behalf of the members and congregation of the Cen-tennial Methodist church to express our nearty appreciation of your labors

amongst us.
Your invariable kindness and sympathy has won for you an abiding place in our hearts, our thoughts and our

ment in hours of weakness. Your energy, example and faith have often helped us to carry through to a successful concluion many apparently impossible tasks. As a church, our borders have been ncreased, our faith strengthened, and the religious life of our members and congregation widened and deepened through your labors of the past three years. You have carried the Gospel message into many homes, and in awakenng those who had grown careless and different to the claims of God and His church, and in leading many souls to accept Jesus as their Saviour, your ministry has been blessed among us.

As the relationship of the past three

rears is now coming to an end, we beg of you to accept of these grateful remem-We trust and pray that you will ever have in all your fields of labor what is dearer than any other recompense-

nunion with their God. Yours in Christian work: Edward Parsons, presiden S.; M. L. Johns, president of Ladies Aid; L. E. Adams, president of W. M. S.; C. B. Deaville, superintendent of Sunday school; F. W. Davey, secretary of joint board; S. Johns, R. S., and J T. Deaville, secretary of trustee board.

TO SEE ISLAND MINES. rrangements Being Made For Reveal ing Resources to Visiting Mining Men.

In conection with the convention the American Institute of Mining Engineers, which is to be held here in July, it has been arranged that the visitors shall be shown the mining resources of Vancouver Island in as complete a man-

Clermont Livingstone, manager of the Tyee Copper Company, has arranged for a special train on the E. & N. to enable this being done. The party will carried up the line by rail, and at Duncans conveyances will be in waiting o take them up to Mount Sicker This is but the beginning of the arcangements which will ultimately 1 made to give the representative mining

ing the mineral wealth of the Island. visitors are undoubtedly the greatest body of mining men which have ever

THE WHITE HORSE FIRE.

Particulars of the Conflagration Brought by the Steamer Princess May.

Through the return of the steamer Prin cess May from Skagway on Monday details of the recent big fire at White Horse were received. The steamer had a very light list of passengers on the south trip. reports that through navigation from White Horse to Dawson had not been established up to the time she left Skagway. La Barge was full of ice, although with fine weather it is possible that vessels are abl to run on the lake by this time.

According to the White Horse Star the fire originated in the annex to the Windsor | English friends and a few Americans hotel, the lower story of which was occu pied by the law office and sleeping room of Judge W. T. Jackson and the barber shop, Mrs. Choate, who were provided with a bathrooms and sleeping room of Ed. Mar cotte, the second story being connected with the hotel and used by it as bathroon and bedrooms. The fire started in the brick flue which passed up from the bathrooms i the rear of the barber shop.

to the Methodist church in particular. It willing hands volunteered their aid, the sing in earnest."



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WALTER FORD.
JOHN J. DOUGAN.
E. H. FORREST. Cowichan Station, May 1st, 1905.

Notice is hereby given that, 60 days after date, I intend to apply to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permissioner of the following described missioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase the following described land, situated on the Coast District, Range 5, commencing at a stake at the northwest corner of Lot 191; marked W. D. McIntosh, jr., thence running west 40 chains, thence south 18 chains to the northern boundary of Lot 193, thence east 40 chains along the northern boundary of Lot 193, thence north 18 chains to place of commencement, containing 72 acres more or less.

March 21st. 1905.

March 21st, 1905. Notice is hereby given that, sixty days after date, we intend to apply to the Chief. Commissioner of Lands and Works to purchase the following described land: Commencing at the southeast corner post on Dease Lake, Cassiar, near Porter's Landing, of Lot 206, thence north 40 chains, thence east 40 chains, thence south to the lake shore, thence following the lake shore to the point of commencement, and containing 160 acres more or less.

Dated at Victoria, B. C., 19th May, 1905. THE GOVERNOR AND COMPANY OF

THE GOVERNOR AND COMPANY OF ADVENTURERS OF ENGLAND TRAD ING INTO HUDSON'S BAY. SECOND-HAND PIANO FOR SALE-\$135. This instrument has been used by a teacher and is thoroughly well made. Will be delivered free to any wharf or railway station in B. C. Hicks & Lovick Plano Co., 88 Government street, Victoria; 123 Hastings street, Vancouver. We have others. Write us for catalogue.

women working as hard, and, in some cases, much more effectively than many of the

From the post office building on the south to the Dominion telegraph residence building, occupied by Harry Gilchen, on the north, two entire blocks, not a vestige remained aside from ruins and debris. The post office building, owing to the direct of the wind, was at no time in danger, but only by soaked blankets and a free use of water was the telegraph building saved. Its igniting would have meant the destruction of everything on that block.

START FOR HOME.

London, May 30 .- Mr. Choate, the retiring American ambassador, and Mrs... Cnoate left Euston station at noon today on their way to Liverpool, where they will embark on the steamer Carona for New York. A large gathering of bid them farewell. As the train departroyal saloon car for their journey to Liverpool.

Fire can be made to sing. A writer says: Take a lighted candle and blow gently against the flame. You will hear a pecu-The Windsor hotel was soon burning in liar fluttering sound. The fluttering sound the rear, and five minutes later flames were | is fire's first attempts at music. Instead of bursting from the front windows of both | the unsteady breath of our lips let us em the second and third stories. Seeing that ploy the steady blast co a blow pipe. Inthere was nothing to hope from the helpless stead of the pale and flickering light of a fire engine every business man for a block candle, let us use the bright and ardent vey to you their hearty appreciation of your on both sides of the hotel began to carry grare of a chemist's lamp. When you have

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