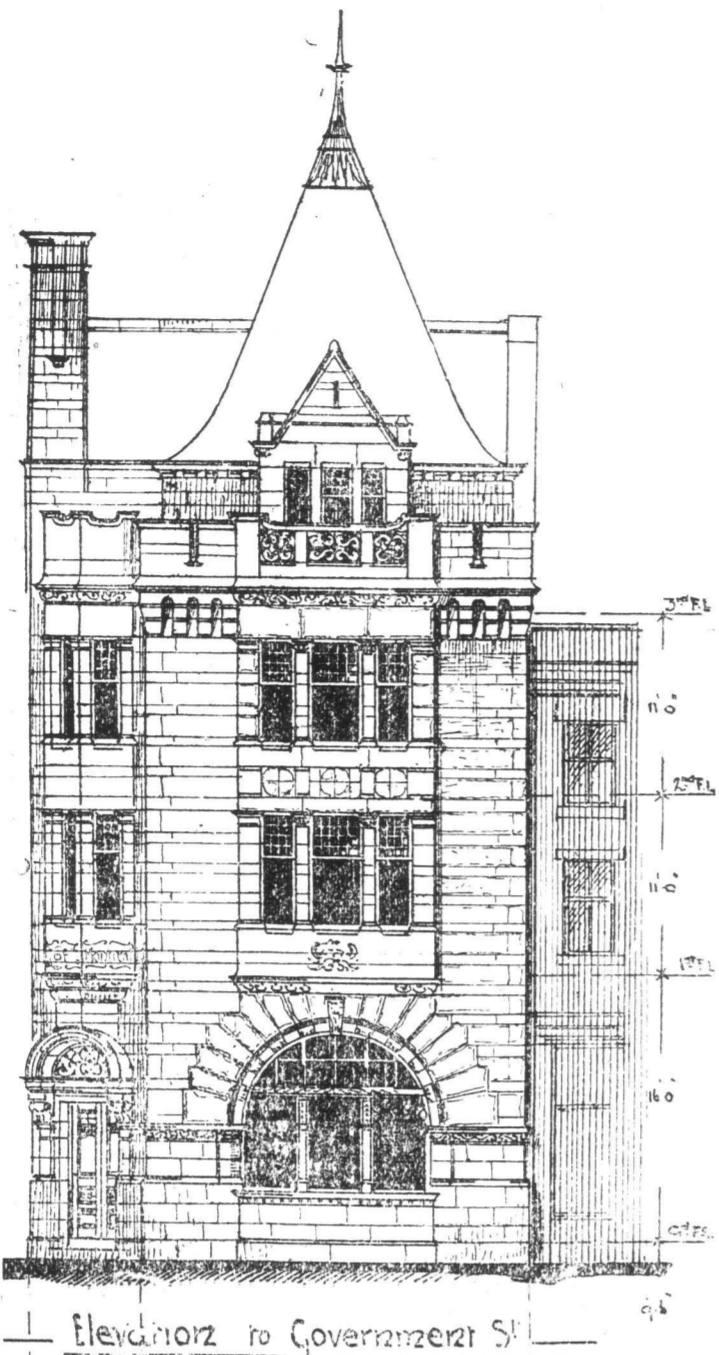


### BANK OF MONTREAL.

The New Branch Which is Now in Course of Construction for Victoria.

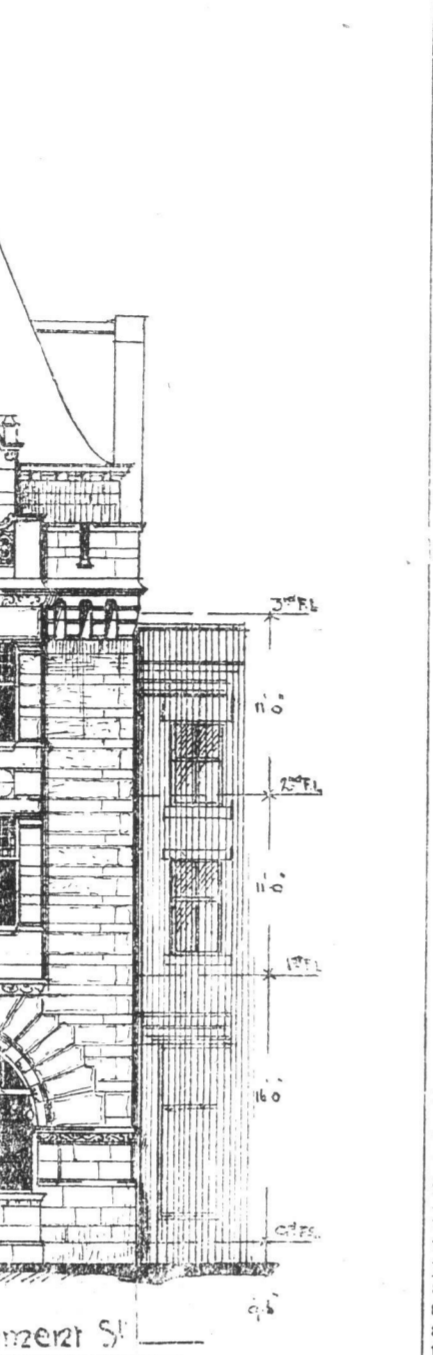
Handsomely Built of Stone the Structure Will be an Ornament to the City.

The new building which the Bank of Montreal is erecting for the Victoria branch will be a fine addition to the



business buildings of the city. The original plan as in the illustration provided for a frontage of 30 feet on Government street and 68 feet on Bastion street, but by the purchase of a portion of the DeCosmos property adjoining the frontage on Government street will be increased by 14 feet. The excavating for the foundations on the original site has been completed and the tearing down of the building on the extension will be proceeded with in a day or two. The design of Mr. F. M. Rattenbury, the architect, whose plans were selected out of those sent in for competition, combines a picturesque outline with massive solidity, relieved by carved and moulded work; the Government street facade being particularly impressive. The building is to be of stone, the upper portion probably that of Haddington island, similar to that used with such good effect on the new parliament buildings, and the lower portion granite. No wood is to be used in the construction of the interior, which is to be entirely fireproof with steel girders and concrete. The building rises to the height of four stories, besides a basement, and measures 44 feet on Government street and 68 feet on Bastion street. The general plan of the building has not been changed, though increased size will be given to the main apartments by the additional ground that has

been added to the site. The basement will contain a lunch room and dressing rooms for the use of the bank, together with vaults and storage, and also the steam heating plant. The ground floor will be occupied by the bank itself and will be a fine apartment, 56 feet long, 40 feet broad and 18 feet high, with paneled walls and elaborately decorated coffered ceiling. All the arrangements will be of the latest description, with the manager's office conveniently situated. The main entrance is at the corner of Government and Bastion streets, while a solid stone staircase with iron balustrade will lead from another entrance on Bastion street to the upper floors. The first and second floors will be fitted up for offices, well lighted, and thoroughly fireproof, with vaults and lavatories for every office. The caretaker's accommodations will be on the



third floor. The floors of all the corridors will be laid with marble slabs and all the fitting up will be of the best description.

### BOARD OF ALDERMEN.

Council Still Undecided as to What Will Be the Rate on Improvements.

Resolution to Ask the Provincial Government for Aid for a Steel Bridge.

The city council devoted themselves chiefly to the consideration of by-laws at their meeting last night.

The tax sale by-law was reconsidered and passed, and Ald. Humphrey's by-law respecting the qualifications of electors at municipal elections went through committee, was read a third time and passed.

Ald. Macmillan, seconded by Ald. Williams, moved that a committee of the council be appointed to inquire into the question of building a steel and stone bridge across the arm from Telegraph street to the Indian reserve.

The mover having spoken in favor of the resolution the Mayor suggested that it would be better not to name Telegraph street as he did not wish to commit himself to any one particular site, as he had not sufficient information to enable him to say whether or not Telegraph street was the best point for the bridge.

### STILL IN DOUBT.

Board of Health Fail to Reach a Decision Regarding Dr. Duncan.

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### SHIPS AND SHIPPING.

Return of the "Quadra" From the West Coast—Her Services to Sealers.

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### ALDERMANIC RESPONSIBILITIES.

To THE EDITOR:—It is really disgusting to learn that a couple of notorious aldermen are hounding Dr. Duncan, the health officer. Have these aldermen soon forgotten that by a jury of their own countrymen they are held not altogether guiltless of the death of fifty-four people at the Point Ellice bridge; that these deaths were caused in a great measure by the aldermen not having had the bridge examined at proper intervals and so neglecting their duty. Surely these aldermen should be the last to complain of neglect of duty on the part of Dr. Duncan, particularly when this so-called neglect was of no consequence whatever to the public welfare as shown by the certificates of Drs. Davie and Helmcken—in fact that Dr. Duncan had acted within the law and there had been neither neglect of nor disobedience to the law. If any one should be punished it is the spy who entered the isolation hospital without permit and departed therefrom un-fumigated and very venomous. Surely this is time the acrimony of a political character were neutralized and rendered harmless. M. D.



### THE CITY.

The Colonist is authorized to state that there is not a single case of contagious disease in the city to-day.

Last night the tie in Mr. Sam Reid's guessing competition was settled, Mr. W. W. Berridge being the winner of the fine Cleveland bicycle.

There were more than the average number of deaths recorded during the month of June, but this was mainly due to the registration of 22 of the victims of the vital returns of the month otherwise show 21 marriages, 32 births, and 18 deaths.

The Omineca Prospecting & Development Co., have elected the following directors for the year: T. B. Hall, president; J. T. Bethune, secretary; C. T. Harris, Dr. G. L. Milne, J. C. Anderson, W. Munroe, and A. L. Belyea. Capt. C. N. Black will act as manager of the company, which will begin operations at once.

A private conference took place yesterday afternoon between members of the city council and the tramway representatives in regard to the offer made in the letter sent to the city by the tramway company last week relative to an extension of the tramway to the harbor, which the tramway company had offered to do.

### NOTICES TO MARINERS.

The branch hydrographic office, customs house, Port Townsend, Wash., furnish on application, free of charge, full information regarding the following notices to mariners: Alaska, Neva Strait, Whitestone narrows, track changed on chart; Australia, east coast, reported shoal northeastward of Sandy Cape; Baltic sea, sunken wreck southward of Gotland; Black sea, Russia, gulf of Azov, buoy marking wreck near Peschani light vessel; Black sea, Russia, Kherson or Kniepr bay, Ochakov channel, alterations in buoyage; California, San Diego harbor, discontinuance of certain buoys and beacons; Caribbean sea, Colombia, Magdalena river entrance, depth on bar; Channel islands, Guernsey, whistling buoy northward of Lihou island; China, Pechili Strait, Port Arthur, discontinuance of light; China, Yung river entrance, barrier removed; Connecticut, Cornfield Point permanent light vessel replaced on station; Cuba, north coast, Havana harbor entrance, sunken wreck and buoys removed; England, south coast, Penzance bay, alteration in period of Newlyn light; Fleetwood approach, buoyage and intended alterations in lights; Florida, St. Andrew's bay entrance, changes in topography and hydrography; Florida, St. John's river entrance, watch buoy discontinued; Gibraltar, light vessel, marking new mole, sunken; Ireland, south coast, Waterford harbor, alterations in buoyage; Japan, Honshu, east coast, Ishinomaki Japan, doubtful reef near Tashiroshima; Japan, inland sea, Aki Nada, non-existent 7-fathom bank, sunken rock southward of Itzuki shima; Japan, Kyushu, Kagoshima gulf, sunken reef eastward of Sakura shima; Japan, Kyushu, Kagoshima gulf, Yamaguchi gawa harbor entrance, sunken reef; Maine, Quoddy rocks approach, whistling buoy southeast of Sail rock; Maine, Rockland harbor, breakwater extended, New South shoal, change of light vessel; Sweden, the Sound, sunken wreck southeastward of Falsterbo light vessel; Virginia, Chesapeake bay, Cape Charles City harbor, intended discontinuance of lights; Virginia, Hampton roads, Craney island flats, buoy replaced by a bell buoy.

### THE PUEBLA'S PASSENGERS.

Among the saloon passengers for Victoria on board the steamship City of Puebla, which sailed from San Francisco yesterday morning, are the following: Miss Everett, Miss Marie Gilchrist, Miss Sherwood, H. G. Robinson and wife, Miss Edith Best, Mrs. Ulden, Schwartz Kopp and wife, Miss Schwartz, Miss Everett, Miss Struth, Mrs. S. H. Hul, H. Strong, Miss H. Sorenson, Miss Eckler, Miss Eckler, Miss Martin, Mrs. Jas. W. Snyder, Mr. Wheeler, wife and child, Victor Porter, F. Hancock, Miss M. L. Love, Miss Struth, Mrs. R. G. Porter, Miss R. P. Green, T. V. Hall, Walter Blackie, E. P. McFeeley, Mrs. Giles, F. A. Yates, Mrs. Brown, Miss Hoover, Mrs. Whitehurst and daughter, Miss McFeeley, Mr. Lancaster.

### THE LONG OVERDUE "CAMBUSDOON."

The announcement made in yesterday's Colonist that the British bark Cambusdoon, the long overdue sugar vessel, had passed up the Straits on Thursday morning, created excitement among shipping men. Until late in the day no confirmation of the following: was obtained, but a telegram to the Colonist from Vancouver last evening announced that she had reached there, her skipper attributing her long delay to calm weather. The bark was out 181 days from Java and reinsurance to the amount of 65 guineas had been offered. The average passage from Java is about 105 days. Lately reinsurance was practically out of the question, particularly in European exchanges. An investment of \$5,000 a week ago in this particular class of insurance would have netted the speculator an additional \$25,000. Then, again, the ship might never arrive, and a loss would have been sustained. The Cambusdoon is a modern ship, and worth \$75,000, and the cargo added at least \$100,000 more to the risk. Thirty thousand dollars would have purchased both vessel and cargo the day before her arrival.

### MARINE NOTES.

The names of the two men belonging to the schooner Agnes Macdonald, who were a few mornings ago reported to have been drowned, are given in a private letter as Aubrey Jones and Arthur Malbur. The letter, however, gives no additional particulars of their loss.

The O.R. & N. steamship Asloun reached the outer wharf from Portland at 7 o'clock last evening. She has a cargo of Oriental freight for Victoria and which is discharged will complete her outward cargo.

### THE VICTORIA CRICKET MATCH.

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