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ON RAILWAY LINES

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HIS OBSERVATIONS

## **BY-LAW DECIDES CHOICE OF SITE**

## **COUNCIL SO AGREE** AT REGULAR MEETING

## School Board Notify City Fathers of the Amount Required, Including That for New Buildings.

When the aldermen met in regular session Monday it seemed to be with a general understanding that the Carnegie library question should be furthered. Ald. Stewart's proposal, as embodied in his motion providing for a by-law authorizing the council to appropriate the sum of \$4,500 out of the general revenue for the purchase of one of the sites offered, if selected over the property owned by the city, was therefore passed with a big majority, only Ald. Cameron and Yates opposing it. Among the most important communications dealt with at the meeting was that from the secretary of the school board pointing out that \$67,000 would be required for ordinary expenditure during the year, and \$50,000 more for extraordinary expenditure, both of which were referred back to the board. First in the order of communications came a letter from Hon, W. W. B Mc-Innes, provincial secretary, giving notice of the appointment of the licensing and

ssioners. F. H. Eaton, secretary of the board of school trustees, wrote notifying the heard that the estimates for running espenses this year would total \$67,000, while \$50,000 more would be required for a new school in the central part of the city and in Victoria West. Ald. Yates thought that the comm cation hardly complied with the act in that it did not provide detail enough, notably in the case of salaries. He ould move that the letter be referred back to the school board for an itemized account as to the ordinary expenditure, and that in regard to the extraordinary expenditure the council could not see its way clear to grant the sum required, The motion was. seconded by Ald. Barnard and carried.

The same writer requested in another communication that the brush be re-moved from the school ground on Fort street. Referred to the city engineer to report as to the cost.

The proprietor of the B. C. Mining Record wrote soliciting the city's patronage for that publication. Referred to the finance committee. Beaumont Boggs acknowledged the re-

ceipt of \$1,400 towards the payment of accounts of the Agricultural Association. Received and filed. James A. Grant wrote to ask that steps be taken to prevent the overflow

of water on the property of Mrs. A. Manson in winter, and that some pro-vision be made to furnish a supply of water in summer time. Referred to the water commissioner for report. Margaret Anderson asked that the council allow her a little time in which

to make a sewer connection as her hus-band was absent in Dawson. Referred to the streets, sewers and bridges committee. Chas. Kent, city treasurer, wrote in regard to the fire insurance, requesting the

Ald. Yates agreed with the latter suggestion, and moved that the matter be left in the hands of the finance. tee. The difficulty has been, Ald. Yates said

of some consideration. He believed that the latter might be referred to the city solicitor for report. olicitor for report. Ald. Dinsdale did not think that the traders suffered any hardship, as they raised the price of goods five per cent. Ald, Stewart could not see why the application should be made now two or hree years after the money had been The matter was finally referred to the RUSHING WORK ON

city solicitor for report. R. B. Losee and other residents and roperty owners of upper Johnson street petitioned for the extension of the street from Camosun towards Fernwood road. This work was commenced last year, but after a certain amount of excavation had been done operations were discontinued, leaving the street in a worse condition. Ald. Kinsman moved that the com munication be referred to the city en-

ineer for report. The work should be Ald Stewart also considered that the vork should be catried out. His Worship—The only reason it has not been done was lack of funds, but/I to be it completed this year.

The market superintegaent reported vice by the 1st of May, the company are railway built. He expressed his views railway built. He expressed his views on the subject to a Times man this morned. Ald. Yates thought that those for the printing of the annual report might order by the beginning of May. "I see that y be returned and new ones called for, as there was a great deal of detail state-Cloverdale, where connection is made there was a great deal of detail state-ment which run into money, and which could be eliminated. The information Port Guichon is being done as rapidly as left out would be available at the city

the very data that was interesting to the

that the tenders be opened. Ald. Yates's motion was then put and

ost on a division of three to six. Ald. Stewart's motion that the tenders he opened and printed was carried. Tenders were then opened. Four were received, from the Colonist, Banfield & ewell, Victoria Printing Co. and T. R. Cusack. The tender from each was \$1.67 per page for printing and binding Tenders for the hauling of cordwood

and coal were then opened as follows: Peter Hansen, coal to Yates street station, 50 cents per ton, and to North Dairy station 97½c. per ton. J. W. Speed and Joseph Bull, cordwood to the North Dairy station, \$3.00

per cord. John Haggerty, coal to the North Dairy station, \$1.25, and to the Yates treet station, 50 cents. John Piercy, wood to the North Dairy station, \$3.25 per cord. William Taylor, coal to North Dairy station, 80 cents, and to the Yates street

station, 40 cents. The last named and Messrs. Speed and Bull being the lowest tenderers, were ac-of the following, Benson, Tasker, or Were a plebiscite taken on the question cordingly awarded the contracts. The electric light committee reported requesting that tenders for the year's supplies be called. Received and adopt- ted in a week or so which will be voted soon put it in motion and find out.

The finance mending that \$6,831.87 be paid. Ap- law

Ald. Stewart's motion regarding the Carnegie library then come up. It read as follows:

That the selection of a site for the Car That the selection of a site for the Car-negle library be submitted to the electrs in the form of a by-law authorizing the council to purchase out of the current is year's revenue, at a cost not exceeding \$4,500, one of the several sites offered to the city, and enumerating such of them as the council may deem desirable to sub-nit, and that the alternative be offered the electors of selecting lot I, block 70, the property of the city.

Ald. Vincent thought the motion was school trustees 'to more 'equally divide very much like one he brought in last week, which was defeated. He did not the city's business. He asked that he be made the custodian of all policies and as if Ald. Stewart had some particular

# CLOVERDALE BRANCH

POINT GUICHON

Municipality of Delta Arrange Terms Upon Which Right of Way Is Granted.

The Victoria Terminal Co. are vigorously pushing their line to connect this in the city, having come over yesterday The motion carried. The market superintendent reported tasken and is anxious to see the Island

in the hands of A. Guthrie & Co., of St. muir is actually favorable to the idea. of the 62 in the city have failed to reach Ald. Stewart contended that this was he very data that was interesting to the which has dealings with the systems con-will traverse 80 miles of his company's The divisions which have ublic. Ald. Dinsdale moved in amendment trolled by J. J. Hill. Mr. Guthrie, the head of the firm, holds a controlling interest in the Victoria Terminal Company, and is thus interested in seeing that the that he would agree in return for such Division 1, 96.03, Division 7, work is carried out with all expedition. The commencement was made at the land grant benefited, or would give part Ward, Division 5, 97.66; South Park, Cloverdale end. For some weeks that of it as a bonus, that would be a real Division 1, 95.77; Spring Ridge, Division work has been going forward. Now the Delta end of the route has been begun He contends it is a good thing for the street, Division 2, 95.03; Kingston He contends it is a good thing for the street, Division 2, 96.64. under C. Foliott.

the Delta municipality was settled in a struction; it will be interesting to know school, Division 3, Mr. Russel, Division complete. All were referred to the fin-ance committee for report. representatives of the railway company. the province. Terminal company's interests were in the hands of John Hendry, president of the company; Thornton Fell, solicitor; should own. If the Island members will sion J. McMillan, engineer; and C. Foliott, contractor.

> north of the dredge ditch, and the muni-cipalities' interests will be protected by have no doubt at all about the richness itch and cattle guards.

> of Delta. These will be Slough, Goudy get promoters to build the railway in the Smith road. It is necessary for a by-law I believe the plan of government ownerto be passed giving the railway company these privileges, and this will be submiton by property owners. It only requires a majority of the votes to carry the by-

> various points of the right of way through Delta. Sub-contracts have been let and the work will be rushed to completion. The contract for the piling and bridging over all ravines and creeks on the line from Cloverdale to Point line. The House has duplicated char-Guichon has been awarded to Walter A. ters, and last session the Dunsmuir gov-Gilley of Westminster.

## TO RAISE WHEAT.

## Company Being Formed to Acquire Over Twenty Thousand Acres in Assiniboia.

Montreal, Feb. 3.-A special cable lot in view. He had no objection to the motion, however, providing that the following words be added: And of expropriating or otherwise acquiring, if deemed advisable, a small portion not exceeding 20 feet in frontage of the adjoining lot, so as to remove all present solutions on the score of shape or size of some or size of solution of the remaining 50,000 are now offered to the remaining 50,000 are no

Wants a State Owned Read on Van couver-The Conditions in Boundary and Kootenay. Smith Curris, M.P.P., of Rossland, is

The grading for the railway line from "I see that you are having another periodical outbreak of talk, talk on rail-

province to give away a strip 40 miles The question of a right of way through wide along a railway to secure its con- of tardiness during the month: High

"Since there is room for but one railbut stand together for a government road enough Mainlanders will support Cameron; Spring Ridge, Division 2, Miss The matter was amicably settled, and the railway company will be given a right-of-way over road allowance lying ovisions regarding railway crossings, of the Island and that in a short time the railway would pay its own way, The company agree to put in three sid-ngs for the convenience of the residents

"It is said that Mr. Dunsmuir is 'boss' of the situation. If so it is not because he has a charter to build to the Large gangs are now working along north end of the Island but because he a dozen charters over the same route and ernment not only gave a charter over part of this very route for which Mr. Dunsmuir had a charter, but also added a nice little bonus of \$5,000 per mile from Wellington to Seymour Narrows. The cost of a railway to the north end f the Island will not be heavy. Mr. Gray, C.E., who went over part of the route years ago, reported the total cost as about \$14,000 per mile. The subsidy

brother Jim, will be given conditional pardon to-day by the state pardon board, which will admit of the ex-bandit returning to his former home in Missouri, according to a dispatch to the Chronicle from St. Paul. RAILWAY NEGOTIATIONS. Rumors of Agreement Between Roads in the United States.

High School . Boys' School . Girls' School North Ward South Park . Victoria West **ON ISLAND PROJECT** 291 152 119 126 90 ring Ridge In this connection it is interesting to compare the attendance for this month with those of the five months preceeding. The winter months have usually been marked by a decline in the average attendance. Last year the average for the month of January was only 82.7.

endance.

city with transcontinental lines on the from Seattle, where he has been on busi- This year the average has kept up with Mainland. While the ferry steamer Vic- ness for several days. He has always that of the preceding months. The foltoria is being hurried to completion so taken a deep interest in Vancouver Isl- lowing is the record for the past five

The average attendance has continued The divisions which have reached the 98.33. Division 3, 96.33; Boy's school





Take Place This Month.

ntreal, Feb. 5.-The Mor railway was tied up at mic company would not con ds of the men. The chie : are: Recognition of the se of pay from 171/2 to 20 for men over five years ny's service, and from 161 men under five years' nissals without satisfactor av for suspensions not way facts; reinstatement of 1 since January 1st; incre er of employees; that the abor shall be shortened. Th say they are prepared to a 1. So far the company say the men have not fo ted their demands. Of the of the union, none are in the 's employ, all having been d When a committee my's employees is prepared to ent their grievances, the s ready to meet them and To-night a meeting of the eld, and, as was expected, the called on at midnight. At the men ran their cars the 20-minute service afte continued. Manager Wanl d to-night that the company no effort to operate the serv orning or until the men have o enses and return to work. ts that will not be long in happ a big snowstorm set in. est exertions that are kept clear during heavy sto ould they become blocked it wo e over a week to get them into order again

Former Mayor Dead. ondon. Feb. 5.-Robert Pritch last night.

 Female Competition Feb. 5.-The annual of Miss Carlyle, factory inspe es that there is a scarcity o Toronto many machines in Toronto being idle fro Salaries paid to factory s ear ran from \$3.50 to \$20 per the proportion of female to n es was increasing. Female o n was in some cases driving

Press Association With the largest attendance in it Canadian ed its 45th annual conver was in the chair. The elect rs resulted as follows: President, ettypiece, M.P.P., Forest Free Pre idents. Jno. A. Cooper. Magazine, Toronto; a ee, Windsor Record; and Ar surer, K. T. Clark, Toronto Star; ant secretary, J. R. Bone, Toro

New Brunswick Elections. John, N. B., Feb. 5.-The legis re dissolved to-day. Nomination on February 21st, and polling of ruary 28th.

North York. rth York, Ont., Feb. 5.-Cons h York, Ont., Feb. 5.-Conserv to-day nominated T. Herbert Ler for the legislature in opposit Davis.

Ex. M. P. P. Dead. rth, Feb. 5 .- Wm. Lees, ex-M. 1 for South Lanark, died yester was a farmer and mill owner. the legislature as a Conserva On Suspicion.

llingwood, Feb. 5.-A. H. Clark aborer, is under arrest on suspi-naving murdered his infant son oning. The child'e life was i for \$32. Cheese and strych found in the baby's stomac claims he had used the cheese rats and the child must ha up a piece.

Fisher Elected. nnipeg, Man., Feb. 5.-Completens from Banff bye-election show elected over Richardson. Death of J. J. Morrow.

Morrow, a prominent Port Ar esident, is dead, aged 39. He was y in the operating department P. R. Eastern division.

For Brandon. local government has decided to a \$75,000 wing to the Brandon asy and build a \$75,000 land title of that city. Fire at Sydney.

aey, N. S., Feb. 5.-Fire broke out old Royal bank building this g and while it was in progress