To Arrange a Conference

City Council Wish to Meet the 750, and the ratepayers did not petition Port Angeles Ferry Promoters.

Company Wish to Withdraw Their Offer--Aldermen Modify Conditions.

Major Williams's Clover Point Range Plan Agreed to -An Appointment.

The feature of last night's meeting of the city council was the decision to inpurpose of arranging some terms of mutual satisfaction, or at least of arriving business proposition. The by-law provides at a joint understanding. This ensued that the steamers shall be built and runupon the receipt of a letter from Presi-ning within one year from a certain date dent Cushing, of the Port Angeles East- of this year. It also provides that a failern Railroad Company, informing the council that the company could not accept the proposals contamed in the by-law to the shipbuilders and foundries of Vicas so far amended.

Mr. Cushing's letter is printed in full impression on some of the aldermen, who

Mr. R. H. Sperling received the appointment of electric wiring inspector under the newly adopted by-law.

All the aldermen had arrived at 8:15 when the mayor called upon the cierk for the minutes of the previous meeting; City Solicitor C. Dubois Mason and his partner, J. M. Bradburn, being also in

The minutes duly read and adopted on motion of Ald. Stewart and Humphrey, the council proceeded to the first order of business, communications, the first letter coming from Mr. H. M. Grahame, agent for the Douglas estate, who called the council's attention to the

Condition of Cook Street from Fairfield road to Dallas road. Mr. Grahame pointed out that the property of the Douglas estate in that locality is assessed at \$60,000, and the annual taxes are \$1.120. The writer thought some portion, at least, of the revenue obtained on the street.

Ald. Humphrey thought it had been decided to repair a portion of the street already, and it would not cost much fer the letter to the city engineer for report and the motion carried.

Educating Deaf Mutes. Secretary Frank H. Eaton, of the board of school trustees, replied to a communcation from the council in regard expressed themselves. to the education of deaf mutes, the matter having been brought up by an application by Miss Helen Willard Merritt for some financial aid to her school. The trustees thought the council would be justified in making a grant of \$100 cember 31st, the school to be conducted we are in the position of guests who are is willing to make the necessary inspec-They also expressed the opinion that the therefore, while it is time, withdraw, rates contemplated by the schedule. amount now expended by the provincial government in the education of our deaf mutes in schools in other provinces would quite enough to support a school in which all the deaf mutes in British Cotumbia could be educated. The trustees recomended the council to urge this on the government.

Ald, Stewart moved that \$100 be granted for the support of Miss Merritt's Ald. Stewart moved in that direction, and Ald. Macgregor seconding, the motion carried, Ald. Humphrey expressing opinion that the proper way would be to instruct the trustees to expend \$100 for this purpose rather than hand the amount to any other person.

Port Angeles Ferry.

The following letter was then read: Victoria, Oct. 23, 1899. To His Worship the Mayor and Board of

Aldermen of the City of Victoria:

Gentlemen:-I take this opportunity of ing before you in relation to the Victoria and Port Angeles ferry, as amended and we are concerned. We feel, however, that | ter a proper respect for your honorable body and for those good citizens of your city who have unselfishly borne the burden of advocating and representing the proposition demands from us at least a brief at this time impel us to take the stand

Some time ago it was deemed advisable by certain of your citizens and ratepayers connection between this city and the city of Port Angeles to connect with the Port | the amount mentioned in the original by-Angeles Eastern Railroad. This led to law. a definite proposition by us to build and equip such vessels and make one trip daily between these cities, guaranteeing a transcontinental connection via Port Angeles and Olympia, for a subsidy of \$17,500 per year for a period of 20 years.

A public meeting was called by your the result that it was unanimously endorsed. A petition was duly signed by more than 10 per cent. of the ratepayers praying your honorable body to introduce a by law embodying the proposition so endors d. petition such a by-law was introduced. and at the present time it, or rather its mutilated remains, is in the hands of the committee, so altered and amended as not to be recognized as the proposition we letter, nade, or as the by-law petitioned for by

the ratepayers. We feel that before closing this communication we should briefly refer to a few of an interjected remark by Ald. Hayward.

the amendments that you have seen fit

First, you cut the subsidy down oneto show that our proposition was a liberal one; that matter was considered by the ratepayers when they endorsed the proposition. Suffice for us to say at this time that we made no proposition to give this service and connection for the sum of \$8.for the lutroduction of such a by-law. The next amendment requires us to make

two trips daily with the passenger steamer, instead of one as contained in our proposition and as contemplated by the bylaw petitioned by the ratepayers. That is to say, you cut the subsidy in two, and then you double the service. It goes without saying that a steamboat company will make as many trips as will pay, but to be compelled to make two daily trips without regard to whether or not the business demands it, is certainly an onerous exaction, We would be only too willing to make two or three trips daily if the business would warrant it, but we cannot be bound to do so, without regard to the demands of the traffic. We made no such proposition; the ratepayers petitioned for no such

by-law, and we are compelled to reject it. The next amendment is that the steel steamer and the car ferry shall be built vite the promoters of the Port Angeles in Victoria. We feel that the gentlemen ferry scheme to a conference for the who supported this amendment have not fully considered the sweeping effect of its provisions. It lacks all the elements of a ure on our part to have the steamers run-

Assuming that the shippards and foun-Mr. Cushing's letter is printed in full dries of this city are equipped to build in another column, and it made a deep such vessels, what is the result of this amendment? We are simply at the mercy expressed the opinion after the meeting of the shipbullders; they can charge us was over that the letter contained more what they please; they have, under this arguments than had yet been advanced. amendment, an iron-lad monopoly. To earn this subsidy we have within a limited time to provide and have running two steamers one a car ferry and the other a steel steamer of a high rate of speed, and both to be built in this city.

What is to hinder these shipbuilder from demanding from us, and enforcing their demand, whatever price they please Absolutely nothing. Again, it is usual to demand from the shipbuilders a bond for the faithful performance of the contract cording to the plans and specifications within the time provided. Could we make any such demand from the shipbu'lders of Victoria? They would simply laugh at us and point to your amendment and tell us that we had to give them the contract without any bond; in other words, they could charge us what they please, and give us any old thing for a vessel, and we

have to submit. Gentlemen, it is not in accordance with our business methods, and with all deference to the opinions of the mover and supporters of this amendment, we beg leave to doubt that it is not in accordance with from the property should be expended any known business methods. We therefore respectfully decline the amendment and reject the by-law as so altered.

In conclusion, it is a matter of sincere regret to us that we are compelled through more to repair it all. He moved to re- your actions to take this step. We believe -mistakenly, it may be-that the people of this city desire this connection. We also desired to cultivate closer relations with you, believing that it would be mutually beneficial. We believe that your citizens, if given the opportunity, would have so

In any event, the matter would have been decided. You have come to a differ ent conclusion, and it is not for us to say nay. We feel that the majority of you gentlemen are opposed to this by-law: that thanking you one and all for the time and Respectfully yours,

C. A. CUSHING. President Port Angeles Eastern Railroad.

Ald. Hayward said that when the first clause of the by-law came before the committee, it was decided the subsidy should be \$8,500. That was a practical school, but the mayor thought the let- ly unanimous decision, and Ald. Hayter should go to the finance committee. ward took it to mean that the council contemplated the remainder of the by-law being taken as it stood. The council, however, after cutting the subsidy in two, had doubled the service to be given, and made other onerous conditions which made it impossible for the promoters to accept the proposal. It was apparently unanimously agreed by the aldermen that the conrection is worth mething, and Ald. Hayward thought it would be in the interest of the ratepayers the council arranged for a conference with the promoters of the ferry scheme. With the fact that it was agreed the connection is worth something, as a starting informing you that the by-law now pend- point, it should be possible to arrive at some business understanding satisfactory to all parties. He therefore moved that altered by you, cannot be accepted by us, the letter be received and laid on the and that further action by you in relation table and the promoters invited to a to the same would be useless, as far as conference with this council on the mat-

Ald. Macgregor seconded the motion, but did not know whether any good would come of the proposal to hold a conference. The members of the council are so far apart on the question he statement of the reasons and causes which was afraid it was impossible for them to come together. The people are more in favor of the by-law than the aldermen. Ald. Beckwith made a long speech, the tenor of which was that Ald. Hayward to communicate with us as to the probabil- should inform the council what authority ity of procuring a car ferry and steamer he had for the statement that the promoters were willing to accept less than

Ald. Hayward said his statement was based on good authority. He had reason to believe the promoters would accept \$12,500 a year, and it would be remembered that his own estimate of the value of the service was \$10,000, but he had no reason to believe the promoters eftizens to discuss the proposition, with would accept that sum. He had the best of reasons to believe they would have accepted \$12,500.

Ald. Backwith moved and Ald. Brydon seconded an amendment to receive and file the communication, the latter saying and in accordance with the prayer of the the promoters of the scheme evidently thought the council should accept the by-law just as it was submitted, without any amendment. That was the only inference to be taken from Mr. Cushing's

"He seems to regard the people of Victoria as rogues and thieves," indignantly said Ald. Brydon, in answer to

half; this is not the time or place for us Ald. Brydon was speaking to the alder- street, the sewage from which is a whereat the council laughed.

enment and information the aldermen the council to remedy the nuisance. The wanted, they should certainly willingly pipe should be carried over the flats. agree to the proposed conference. They Aild, Humphrey expressed his entire could then ask the promoters all the agreement with the request of the pequestions they wish and it could hardly titioners, and moved to refer the matter e possible that the council was sincere to the city engineer for report at the if they really needed light and yet de- next meeting. feated the proposal made by Ald. Hay- Ald, Hayward seconded the motion and ward. Ald. Macgregor mentioned incidentally that it is an open question whether the council has the authority to reduce the proposed bonus. He had the opinion of a very able lawyer to the etfeet that they had no such authority.

Ald. Beckwith said if the conference were to result in so much information being obtained, he wondered whether it would enable them to ascertain from what source Ald. Hayward derived his be in accordance with specifications. authority for saying the promoters would accept a substantial reduction.

Ald. Hayward was surprised that Ald. Beckwith should return so frequently to that subject, If Ald. Beckwith really ward had no objection to giving it to city of Vancouver. him for his private information, but was | Contract ordered to be awarded to the not going to make public the nature of lowest tenderer, on motion of Ald. Beckevery conversation he had during the with,

Ald. Kinsman wanted to know whether, if the amendment carried, the council would continue with the consideration R. Hedgman, E. Kunz, J. S. Nesbitt, of the by-law, and the general opinion was in the affirmative.

Ald. Hayward could not understand why Ald. Beckwith should oppose holding a conference with the promoters if he desired information.

through his worship, whether the coun- Mr. Hedgman three and one ballot was cil had the right to change the amount of the bonus contemplated by the by-law. whose name had been dropped. Mr. Bradburn said his opinion, and Sperling was declared duly elected. Mr. Mison shared it, was that the council has that right.

The mayor said he thought Mr. Cushing's letter premature. There was a armature be rewound, estimated cost clause in the by-law providing for the de- \$70. Adopted. posit with the city treasurer by the proit to be made, then would have been the time for him to have written this letter, out of current revenue of accounts It was impossible for Mr. Oushing to amounting to \$4,162.77. Adopted. know what the by-law would be when it was completed. There were two clauses worship intended to move to re-com-

A vote was then taken on the amend- ward moved to introduce the stereoment, the result being its defeat on the typed by-law which provides that following tie vote: Ayes—Hes worship, electors otherwise qualified to vote All. Humphrey, Brydon, Beckwith and at any municipal election shall be Cameron. Noes-Ald. Hayward, Stew- titled to vote at such election nothwithart, Kinsman, Macgregor and Williams. standing the non-payment of taxes, rates

conference was carried by a vote which electors to the municipality. appeared to the Times reporter to be 7 The by-law was introduced, read a to 2; the negatives being Ald. Beckwith first and second time, committed, read and Brydon. Ald. Beckwith denied, a third time and passed. All within however, having cast his vote against the four minutes. motion, and a second show of hands being taken he did not vote at all, being therefore counted in the affirmative. Ald

of the proposed conference be left open for future arrangement.

Electric Wiring Inspection. R. H. Sperling, a candidate for the position of electric wiring inspector, wrote the amendments so far carried by you are to clear away a possible masunderstandfor the support of the school until De- utterly destructive of our proposition; that ing. He wished to clearly state that he round trips every day, "Sundays exceptthe supervision of the trustees. in danger of outstaying their welcome. We tion provided by the by-law at half Lie

Accompanying this was a letter from attention you have devoted to this matter. Mr. Albert T. Goward, local manager of the Electric Light Company, who stated that his company is willing to pay onehalf the cost of the necessary inspection, the consumer paying the other half. Both letters were received and filed.

> Sauce for the Gcose. Mr. Whittaker, the Government street barber, callled the attention of the coun- D read as follows:

cil to the fact that the barber's pole in front of his premises has been removed the said ferry steamer and passenger because of the exigencies of sidewalk resteamer shall be open for competition to pair. He asked permission to erect a new one in the same position in the new and elesewhere, as well as to citizens of Eggs (Manitoba), per doz.... new one in the same position in the new and elesewhere, as well as to citizens of permanent sidewalk.

ed desirous of tackling, it being evident and be registered and operated under that the general desire was to accommodate Mr. Whittaker. Finally Ald. Humphrey said he was afraid the council for use on and by the said steamers shall would have to say the same to Mr. Whit- be purchased and taken in at Victoria." taker as to everyone clse. He moved Ald. Macgregor objected. It was only that the writer be informed that no poles driving the company into the hands of can be allowed in the permanent side- a monopoly. They have a right to build walks. Ald. Stewart seconded the motion, say-

ing that while he would very much like ing elsewhere for steamboat machinery to oblige Mr. Whittaker, they could not say "yes" to him and "no" to everyone else.

Engineer's Report.

lows, the report being taken up clause his machinery, but when a company by clause:

intersection of Courtney and Government streets. Recommending that the work be done at an estimate cost of tee rose, reported progress and asked \$25, exclusive of stone on hand. Adopt- leave to sit again.

2. Re Mr. A. T. Goward's request that a guard rail be laid on Rock Bay bridge. liams again called attention to the need This is much needed and should be pro- of an Cectric light near Mr. James Dunsvided; estimated cost \$60, the question of who shall bear the expense being left Ald. Williams also wished to know if to the council. The mayor said the rail was partly for

the benefit of the city and party for of the tramway service to the end of the benefit of the company. Ald. Humphrey thought, the company should bear the cost; the rail is needed

only for their traffic. Ald. Williams reminded the council that guard rails had generally been paid bad sidewalk on Moss street, and the for by the Tranmway Co. The one on mayor promised attention to the matter. James Bay bridge was an exception, but that was an oversight. He moved that the Tramway Co. be requested to immediately lay the necessary guard rail, at their own expense. Adopted. 3. Re application for stone crossing

at westerly junction of Broughton and Government streets, to complete the permanent sidewalk work. Recommended this be done; estimated cost \$30. exclusive of stone on hand, Adopted.

A Petition. F. W. Vincent and 53 others called at-

"Address the chair, Alderman Bry- tention to the dangerous and unsamitary don," said the mayor, and Ald. Williams condition of a drain discharging into the rose to ask whether his worship thought harbor near the west end of Michigan men when he said rogues and thieves, menace to public health. Several cases of fever have already occurred in conse-Ald. Macgregor said if it was enlight quence the petitioners stated, and asked

it was agreed to.

Printing Voters' Lists.

Tenders were received from the Colmist P & P Co and from the British Columbia Printing & Engraving Co. (the Province) for printing the voters' lists for the ensuing year, the Colonist quoting \$1.10 per page and the B. C. P. & E. Co. 85 cents per page. The work to Ald. Brydon asked whether the Province Co. do this work in the city or in Vancouver?

Ald, Williams said they not only do all this work here but also several thouwished to know the authority Ald. Hay- sands of dollars worth of work for the

An Appointment.

There were six applicants for the position of inspector of electric wiring: E. A. R. Snelling, R. H. Sperling and Albert Toller. The first ballot resulted in three votes being cast for Hedgman, one for Snelling, five for Sperling and one for Toller. The second ballot gave Hedgman, three, Sperling five and Toller two. Ald. Brydon asked the city solicitor, On the third Mr. Sper'Ing received six, sported by being marked for Mr. Toller,

Committee Reports. Electric light, recommending that an

Rifle range special committee, recommoters of the amount necessary to de mending the adoption of the suggestions fray the cost of submitting the by-law to contained in Major Williams's letter re the ratepayers. When the by-law had the new rifle range, and submitting a passed through the council and Mr. plan of the proposed change of roads. Cushing's company had been notified Adopted, the mayor explaining the that the sime had arrived for that depos- roads will not have to be made this year.

Municipal Elector's By-law.

On the recommendation of the mayor, A.derman Cameron and Alderman Hay-Ald. Hayward's motion looking to a and assessments due or payable by such

Port Augeles Ferry By-Law.

The council went into committee of Hayward was desirous that Ald, Beck- the whole for the further consideration with should be shown on the minutes as of the above, subscription B of clause 2 not having voted, but the mayor could being recommitted for the purpose of so find no authority for this nice discrimina- amending it as to leave it optional with the company whether the freight car It was informally agreed that the date ferry make a trip on Sunday. This was agreed to.

Ald. Beckwith moved to amend the next clause to provide that the passenger steamer need make only one trip on Sunday. It was finally agreed to make it compulsory that the steamer make two

one trip be made in daylight, but met with no encouragement.

Ald, Humphrey wished to amend the clause referring to the steamer, so that it might be constructed of steel or wood, but finally it was decided not to stipulate any particular material and to leave Fishit open to the company to construct it of "steel, wood, silver or nickel," as Ald. Hayward said

Ald, Humphrey moved that subsection

"The contracts for the building of the United States of America, but the This was a question no alderman seem- said steamers shall be built in Victoria the vessels wherever they wish, and when we see one of our own citizens goseemed only reasonable the company should have the same privilege.

Ald. Humphrey said when a man builds a boat with his own money he has City Engineer Topp reported as fol- the right to go wherever he wishes for comes and asks the city for money to 1. Re letter from Messrs, R. Porter & build boats with the city has a right to Sons, asking for a stone crossing at the say something about it.

Minor Matters. Before the council adjourned Ald. Wilmuir's residence, Craigflower road, the city solicitor was yet in a position to report progress in regard to the extension the company's system on Douglas street? Mr. Bradburn said he had had three conferences with the company's solicitor. but could not yet report definitely. Ald. Macgregor called attention to a

The council rose at 10.15. ONE HONEST MAN.

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Snow Flake, per bbl.
Oalgary Hung.
Premier, per bbl.
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Corn (whole), per ton ...
Corn (cracked), per ton ...
Oats, per ton ...
Oatmeal, per 10 lbs ...
Rolled oats (B. & K.), 70 sack Feed-Hay (baled), per ton 13.00@16.00

Vegetables Potatoes (new), per 100 lbs. 1.00@ 1.15 40@

Watermelon
Cabbage, per Ib
Caulifiower, per head
Celery, per bunch
Lettuce, 4 hds. for.
Onlons per Ib 1000 per lb (pickling), per lb rkins, per ID

Tomatoes
Beans, per 5 lbs
Peas, per 5 lbs
Cucumbers, Island, 3 for
Cucumbers, Cala, per doz
Radishes. 2 bunches for
Carrots, per lb
Turnips, per lb Salmon (smoked), per Ib.... Salmon (spring), per lb.

Oysters (Olympian), per pt.

Oysters (Eastern), per tis

Cod. per lb.

Halibut, per lb

Herring Crabs. 3 for..... Eggs (Island, fresh), per doz.
Butter (Delta creamery)....
Best dairy
Butter (Cowichan creamery).
Cheese (Canadian)
Lard, per lb.

Meats-Bacon (American), per lb.... Bacon (Canadiau), per lb.... Bacon (long clear), per lb.... Shoulders, per lb.... Pork, per Ib.....

12@ 10@ Bananas, per dozen...... Lemons (California) per doz. Lemons (small)
Valencia oranges, per doz
Apples, per box
Plums, per crate
Peaches, per lb
Grange, per lb emons (small) . Poultry-

Dressed fowl (per pair)..... 1.50@ 1.75

 Grouse, per brace
 1.00@ 1.25

 Venison, per m
 8@ 10

 Ducks, mallard, per pair
 75@ 85

 Ducks, teal, per pair
 40

A VICTORIA NAVIGATOR. Capt. Tackabery, of the Stern Wheeler Sybil, Back From the North-His. Experiences.

-0-Capt. J. D. Tackabery, skipper of the stern wheeler Sybil, which left here early last spring for St. Michaels, and which has been plying during the past summer on both the lower and upper rivers, is at the Oriental hotel, having come down on the Queen City yesterday.

He states that only twice during the ong journey to St. Michaels, which the Sybil made under her own steam, was she in rough weather, and then safe an chorage was quickly made.

Two trips were made up from St. Michaels, the Victoria vessel escaping with out any mishaps. Three were made on the upper river, and the boat has now been

tied up for the winter, ninety miles al

Three boats, the names of which the c. tain could not recall, are aground in the lower Yukon, and will be a total loss they will be carried down stream at breaking up of the ice next spring.

Up to the time he left Bennett. scows, according to the figures of the W. M. P., had left there for Dawson, Ove 500 of these have reached their destination in safety, but the remainder will frozen in. There are between 5,000 and 16,000 tons of freight stalled at Bennett Cape Nome is all right, in Capt. Tacka bery's opinion. Workmen there are ge ting from \$5 a day up, and he had a lette from a friend who has a creek claim eight miles from there shortly before he lef Dawson, stating that, although with two companions, he was taking out \$100 day, he could get no men to work for wages. Workmen in Dawson this wint will get from \$1.25 to \$1.50 an hour. All of the Sybil's crew came down, e.

cepting Sheppard, the second engineer, who will remain in Dawson. The captain confirms the report of colunteer rifle company being formed i Dawson for the Transvaal. All the me have been enrolled, and consist principa ly of ex-Mounted Policemen, and ex-Texas cowboys. He does not think that the offer of the troop includes maintenance in the

-Jabez King, the expressman, had a narrow escape from serious injury late yesterday afternoon, and to-day is suffering from a broken collar-bone and the loss of a valuable horse. He went down to the Yacht Club house to de liver a large box and the horse com menced to back too rapidly for King to retain control. The consequence was that the whole rig, horse, driver and all, fell off the somewhat steep declivity into the water. The horse was drown-



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cating the Boer On October 21 was encountered thick bush. A result. Two of and two wounder men killed and Boers retired

patrol, left Tuli

Pont's Drift. Firing on Major Pilsen, ceeded to fetch and while placing the Boers opened but in spite of

British succeede their comrades.