

Cyclists and Cinder Paths

The Council to Take Some Steps to Improve Cycling Facilities.

Contract for the Erection of Victoria West Fire Hall Awarded.

The city council last evening discussed a variety of subjects arising out of the receipt of the various communications, among them being the matter which of all others is a burning question on the part of a large portion of this city's population—the cyclists.

After the ordinary formalities, a communication was received from E. A. Harris informing the council of the successful nature of the performance of the oratorio "Messiah" on Saturday night.

E. V. Bodwell wrote as follows:

Victoria, B.C., April 30th, 1900.

To the Mayor and Council of the City of Victoria, Victoria, B.C.:

Dear Sirs—Re Craigflower Road Closing By-law. Referring to my former letters to you in this matter of the 26th of February, I beg to say that I have now completed all the investigation which I think I am able to make.

I find that on the 27th of November, 1891, Mr. Nagle filed in the land registry office a plan which had been made for him in 1888, and according to which a sub-division was shown, closing up the Craigflower road and the other roads shown on the Hudson Bay Company's deed, and substituting in place of them certain streets which are named on the plan.

The only ground upon which it can be contended that the title of the crown in the original road allowance would be affected is, that by its acts the crown is estopped from now asserting that the road was not properly closed by Nagle and the streets accepted in lieu of the original road.

I cannot think that the mere filing of the plan by Nagle would be sufficient. He may have filed it without the authority or even the knowledge of the government officials, and it seems to me the onus of proof would be upon the person asserting that the title of the crown has been lost to show that Nagle was acting under an arrangement with the government.

Messrs. F. B. Pemberton & Son directed attention to the desirability of re-

moving certain shacks on Cormorant street suggesting that they be examined by the building inspector.

Ald. Stewart emphasized the necessity of removing these shacks, but believed that in conjunction with the building inspector the sanitary inspector should examine them.

Ald. Brydon advocated giving the matter serious consideration, especially when there was a possibility some time or other of the street being turned over to the city, in which case the corporation would be defraying the entire expense of completing it.

Ald. Yates believed that the matter was one for the streets and bridges committee. The offer was decidedly encouraging, and came as near the local improvement style of dealing with these subjects as possible.

W. H. Langley wrote as follows:

Victoria, B.C., April 29th, 1900.

To His Worship the Mayor and the Aldermen of the City of Victoria:

Sirs—In December, 1898, sub-committee No. 3 of the celebrated and erstwhile energetic Committee of Fifty recommended to the honorable body that bicycle paths should be constructed in the city of Victoria, and designated the streets upon which the work should be commenced.

Since that report was passed, unusual activity has been displayed by the "Finest"—I refer to the city police force—in stopping sundry and divers citizens from perambulating the sidewalks on their terrible "bikes," and in causing to be extracted sooner or later from the pockets of such citizens various sums ranging from \$3 to \$10 for so breaking the law.

As one of the latter class, I beg leave therefore to respectfully suggest that to the better purpose on this matter should be applied than to the construction of the aforesaid bicycle paths.

If such work was carried out it would conduce much to the comfort of, and do away with the infringement of the law by, a great number of otherwise peaceful and law-abiding citizens who would not then be able to plead bad roads as their excuse.

Ald. Williams favored receiving this communication and referring it to the streets committee, and moved to that effect.

Ald. Brydon was unable to perceive how the matter concerned the aforesaid committee. If these subjects were continually laid over the council would not again hear of them for three months. Something should be done in this matter of bicycle paths.

The communication was, after some further discussion, laid on the table and the clerk was instructed to obtain the information as to what arrangements exist in other cities in this particular.

T. C. Sorby wrote asking that his map of the harbor now hanging in the committee room of the city hall be returned to him.

The perennial epistolary gem from C. O. Moody was read according to the time honored custom of the council, none of the members appearing to at all resent the writer's imputation that they were laboring under a "hallucination" (hallucination).

J. B. Lovell wrote complaining that he was expected to pay sewer rental for his property on the corner of Johnson street and Fernwood road, when there was no sewer in the neighborhood with which he could connect his premises.

Thomas Speed wrote directing attention to the inadequacy of the box drain on Speed avenue.

Victoria, B.C., April 30th, 1900.

To His Worship the Mayor and Board of Aldermen:

Gentlemen—I have the honor to submit the following report for your consideration: Communication from Richard Drake re sidewalk encroaching on property on south side of Kane street.

Market Superintendent Johnston reported the month's collections to be \$108.20. Received and filed.

The finance committee recommended the appropriation of \$2,066 for the payment of accounts. Adopted.

The Home committee recommended the admission into the Old Men's Home of Peter McCormack, who in return agrees to hand some property over to the city.

Ald. Kinsman brought up a matter in connection with the admission into the Old Men's Home of a certain elderly gentleman, but upon Ald. Stewart's assurance that the aforementioned party was desirous of obtaining work, the matter was allowed to drop.

Ald. Brydon seconded his colleague's motion, and hoped that the request would be complied with. The communication should be cordially received and the nominal sum of \$60 would certainly not break the city.

to make their quarters at this city, and in doing so had conferred advantages which the council should appreciate.

Ald. Yates favored both motion and amendment, and incidentally pointed out that every effort should be made by the city to acquire the reserve.

The clause relating to the inadvisability of any of the bridges being crowded in connection with the coming celebration of the centennial was referred to the streets committee, and a recommendation will be made to the fireworks committee to change the place of display.

Regarding the petition for the extension of water mains on Toimie avenue and Fourth street, the distance is 3,950 feet, of this 3,700 feet from Saanich road to the corner of Toimie avenue and Fourth street would need to be 3-inch pipe, and the balance of the distance to Hillside avenue 4-inch, the total estimated cost being \$5,550.

Ald. Brydon opined that the work could be satisfactorily superintended by the building inspector, and Mr. Adams, of the engineer's office, but Ald. Yates contended otherwise, pointing out that continual personal supervision was necessary.

The engineer reported as follows: Victoria, B.C., April 30th, 1900. To His Worship the Mayor and Board of Aldermen:

The first clause was laid on the table, and a special committee consisting of Aids, Cameron, Kinsman and Stewart was appointed to report on the subject.

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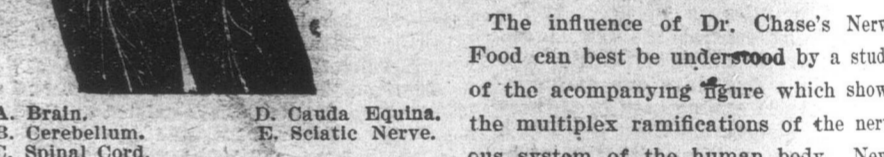
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