THE CITY COUNCIL

Dr. Fraser Advocates the Building and Furnishing of Three Cottages at the Isolation Hospital.

Hackmen Don't Want to Leave Government Street—Merchants Ask For Improvements.

There were a goodly number of citizens present to watch the deliberations of the aldermanic board yesterday evening. His worship the mayor was, as usual, in the chair, and every alderman present, saving Ald. Harrison, who is confined to his house on account of sickness.

After the minutes had been read and adopted the following communications were read:

From Percy L. Sinclair, of the park commissioners of Tacoma, thanking the board for the pair of swans presented to that city. Read and filed.

From A. R. Sherk, saying that Fernwood road south of Chatham was in need of repairs. Referred to the street committee and city engineer.

A. Johnson wrote in connection with the application of Mr. Winsby for more commission. He thought that if Mr. Winsby did not want his position at the commission he was getting their the council should let him go. "There were scores of men as competent, if not more competent, who would be glad of the position." Received and filed.

John Dalby wrote offering to cut down and grade the hill on South road if given the material. Referred to the street committee and city engineer.

Dr. R. L. Fraser, medical health officer, wrote advocating the erection and furnishing of three cottages at the Isolation hospital. The cottages could be built and furnished at a cost of $1,800, and as there was a considerable portion of the appropriation for health purposes left over, he thought that the money could be expended for this purpose. This was referred to the board of health and a meeting will be held for the consideration on Wednesday morning.

Chief Deasy reported the fires during November, and of the suspension of firemen H. O'Leary and H. W. Murray for missing fires and not sleeping in the fire hall. The report was received and referred to the fire wardens.

The resignation of James Wilson as street foreman was received and accepted.

Ald. Partridge moved that applications be called for the position, to be in for next Monday.

Ald. Vigelius, McCandless, Kinsman and Wilson thought that the city could finish the year without appointing another man. Many of them thought the position could be filled for the balance of the term by the assistant foreman.

Ald. Stewart and the mayor thought that a new street superintendent should be appointed at once.

The motion that applications be called for was carried.

A. Johnson, market superintendent, reported receipts amounting to $158.80 during the past month. Received and filed.

F. B. Pemberton and others petitioned for an electric light at the entrance to Lovers' Lane, from Foul Bay road.

The mayor said that a light placed here would cost $75.

A motion that the request of the petitioners be granted and a light placed also on the corner of Herald and Douglas streets was carried.

W. A. Ward and M. G. Laing called attention to the bad state of Pemberton road and petitioned for a three-plank sidewalk on this street. Referred to the street committee for report.

A number of Wharf street merchants submitted a petition referring to the need of improvements on Wharf street. New crossings were asked for at either side of Bastion street—cement crossings four feet wide—electric lights to be illuminated from 5 o'clock each evening—the electric light poles to be straightened and painted—and all other improvements that are necessary made as soon as possible. This petition was referred to the street committee and electric light committee for report.

H. G. Brown and nineteen other hackmen sent a lengthy petition to the council replete with "wherefores," "whereases" and other words found in legal documents. They wished the council to stop the work of double-tracking Government street, complained that if removed from Government street, which has been recognized as the hack stand since 1865, their business would be destroyed; asked for a meeting with the council to consider ways and means to permit them to carry on their business, and that if the council did not stop the work of double-tracking Government street they be permitted to stand at the corner of Fort and Government streets and on Broad street.

A number of merchants asked that this petition receive favorable consideration.

The petition was received and referred to the hack committee.

The street committee reported as follows: Concerning the application from Messrs. McPhillips, Wootten & Barnard, on behalf of Mr. Hallett, that David street be improved—no funds. Regarding a sidewalk asked for on Grant street—no funds. Regarding the complaint of Mr. Losee, that water was running into his property on Pandora street—no funds. They recommended that the improvements asked for on Chatham street be granted; that a crossing be laid on Broad street at a cost of $75; and that macadam be placed on Government street when the new track is laid, at the cost of $500. Received and adopted.

The sewerage committee reported recommending that the 75 feet of sewerage asked for on Michigan street be laid at a cost of $75. Received and adopted.

The report of the finance committee recommending an appropriation of $1491.25 for current expenses and a special appropriation of $300 for the purpose of advertising Victoria and for the cup presented to the Provincial Rifle Association. This report was adopted.

Ald. Partridge's motion asking for leave to introduce a by-law for the regulation of municipal elections was carried, and the by-law passed its first reading.

The board then adjourned.

DARDANELLES DEVELOPMENT.

Machine Drills Making Good Time on Shaft and Drift.

One of the oldest and best known properties in the country, the Dardanelles, is undergoing a thorough and systematic course of development, and if the expectations of the company are realized, and present indications are most favorable, another good shipper will join the list before spring.

As all Kootenaian readers know, a compressor plant was installed during the past summer, which, with other expensive improvements, including a wagon road to the mine, makes the conditions for the work now in hand most favorable.

Since the compressor was started up about a month ago the old shaft has been continued 75 feet further down, giving 300 feet in depth on the lead, and the men are now sinking at the rate of three feet per day. A drift off this shaft, 50 fet below the old lower level, has been started, and will cut the old chute, which goes down paralell with the shaft, 40 feet to the south. The old second level is now being pushed ahead. It is in 50 feet and in 30 feet more will cut another chute to the north, from which a car of ore was taken on the surface this fall. Two machines and a force of 23 men are at work. Manager Trethewey is well pleased with the progress being made. He says the plant is working in a most satisfactory manner.

A meeting of the directors, at which Sir Charles Tupper and Hon. Fred Peters were present, was held in this city yesterday for the purpose of electing a successor to the late Alvin McClaine, secretary. Wm. H. Adams was elected, and at the same time C. D. McKenzie was appointed auditor. Directors Tupper and Peters, Manager Trethewey and Secretary Adams are visiting the mine.—The Kootenaian.

ACCIDENTS TO CHILDREN.

Children, in their play, are apt to get sprains, bruises or cuts, and the pain these little ones suffer before relief is brought to them should convince mothers that it is necessary to be always prepared for accidents. "Quickcure" is a healer that acts quickly and removes pain at once.

MOONEY SHANGHAIED

Victorian's Victorious Petty Thief was Taken to China on the St. Catherine.

U. S. Consul-General Says It was a Clear Case Against the Ship.

Lawrence Mooney, who was seldom out of jail during his many years' residence in Victoria, has come into what he would consider a small fortune. In Shanghai early last month Mooney made application before the United States consul general for release from an engagement on the bark St. Katherine, which sailed from this port.

The petition of the plaintiff set forth that he had been put on board the bark at Victoria, on July 12th last, and taken to sea without his consent, and against his expressed protest, and without his having been signed on, or his signature attested in the manner required by law; that advance money had been wrongfully charged as paid out for him; that an improperly low rate of wages had been credited to his account; and that the bark had proceeded to Shanghai where plaintiff had appealed to the United States consul general for the relief provided by law. Plaintiff therefore prayed that the engagement referred to should be declared void, that he should be released from his engagement in the articles; that he should obtain such further or other relief as the court might deem necessary; and that the defendants should be ordered to pay the costs of the suit.

Defendants denied all the allegations of the plaintiff, and claimed that advance money had been paid in satisfaction of a debt at the request of Mooney.

The evidence went to show that Mooney was taken aboard the vessel while drunk, and had not signed the articles until the vessel was out at sea, the chief mate stating that the man on watch had told him that Voss, of the Queen's Hotel, had taken him aboard. The vessel lay in the roads for three days, and Mooney, according to his evidence, appealed to the captain and to Voss, who visited the ship, to take him ashore, but they refused.

In giving his decision the consul general said: "I see this case in no other way than that it is a gross case of shanghaiing. It is not a question of Mooney being sober; no question of social standing. I hold that he was illegally shipped, and from that fact, that he is released from any further service on board the St. Katherine, and that he is entitled to be credited with $25 per month from the time of the shipment. Partly as a mater of right, and partly as a matter of penalty, I hold that the advance money shall not be charged to his acount, and that the defendants shall pay his fare in some sailing vessel to a suitable port on the Pacific coast, to the United States of America, or the port from which he shipped, in the meantime maintaining him either on board the St. Katherine, with good treatment, which I know would be done, or at some equivalent institution to the Sailors' Home. I will make the wages run from July 13th, three months and a half. That would give him half wages since he has been here in the port of Shanghai."

Judgment was given for the plaintiff for costs.

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FROM SOUTH SEAS

Canadian-Australian Liner Aorangi Arrived Last Evening from the South.

Empress of China Sailed To-Day for the Orient—Corona Left for Alaska.

About 7 o'clock last evening the Aorangi, of the Canadian-Australian line, arrived at the outer wharf, a few hours late, from the South seas. The trip was an uneventful one, and occupied, including stops, very nearly a month. Sydney was left at 4:30 p.m. on November 8, and fine weather was experienced to Wellington, which was reached on the 13th. The next day a start was made for Suva, the Fijian metropolis being reached on the 19th, and Honolulu on the 28th. Fine weather was experienced to the Cape, where a rather stiff breeze was encountered. Among the passengers were Hon. W. Churchill, the ex-consul-general of the United States at Apia, Samoa, who with Mrs. Churchill is on his way home; Mr. J. Stafford, of the Welland Manufacturing Company of St. Catharines, Ont., who has been introducing Canadian bicycles in Australia, and the following: E. H. Taylor, W. D. Wilcox, J. Petrie, D. Ross, W. Woodney, C. E. Morrison, C. Simpson, R. Parker, H. Watt, J. Murphy, J. McDermond, M. Moore, M. Marks, M. O'Sullivan, W. R. Thirwell, Miss Brown, P. O'Brien, E. J. Hayes, J. Patterson, L. Maynard, Mrs. Edgecum and family, J. McDonald, A. L. Bradford, J. Hurley, J. McCutcheon, S. Ammunds. The Aorangi's cargo comprises shipments of fruit, fresh mutton, wool, preserved meats, etc.

The big steamer Algoa, Capt. Frazer, which sailed for Tacoma from Maji, Japan, on November 14th last, is now considerably overdue and much speculation is being indulged in as to the cause of her tardiness. The prevailing impression among the local marine men is that she has picked up the long overdue steamer Pelican and is bringing her back to the Sound in tow. The Pelican is now 40 days overdue. She was loaded with lumber for Tientsin and sailed from Tacoma early in October, since when nothing has been heard of her. She carried no passengers and was provisioned for three months. The Algoa is a vessel of 4,897 tons, and is owned by the Algoa S.S. Co. of Liverpool. She is coming to the Sound to load wheat for her home port.

The R. M. S. Empress of China sailed at noon to-day for China and Japan. She was loaded right up to the hatches with freight and had a large number of passengers. Her steerage accommodation was fully taken up by Chinese. The R. M. S. Empress of India is due to arrive from the Orient on Tuesday next, While the Tacoma, of the Northern Pacific line, is looked for on Thursday.

The steamer Corona sailed for her usual Alaskan ports of call yesterday evening, carrying another 120 pasengers. The Farallon is scheduled to follow her on Friday morning, and on Sunday next the C. P. N. Co.'s steamer Tees will sail from Turner, Beeton's wharf for Skagway, Dyea, Juneau, Wrangel, and the usual British Columbia ports of call.

Capt. J. D. Tackaberry, formerly master of the steamer Alaskan, operating on the Stickeen river, has returned from a visit to Portland. It is understood that he will command the steel steamer now being built by the Albion Iron Works for the C. P. N. for service on the Stickeen.

The schooner Geneva sails this evening, should the weather not be too rough, for the British Columbia coast on her spring sealing cruise. The Geneva, which is commanded by Capt. H. J. O'Leary, carries a full crew of whites.

I write this to let you know what I would not do: I would not do without Chamberlain's Pain Balm in my house if it cost $5 per bottle. It does all you recommend it to do and more.—J. H. Wallace, Wallaceville, Ga. Chamberlain's Pain Balm is the best household liniment in the word, and invaluable for rheumatism, lame back, sprains and bruises. Be ready for emergencies by buying a bottle at Langley & Henderson Bros., wholesale agents, Victoria and Vancouver.

THE PRESBYTERY.

Plans for the Extension of Home Mission Work.

The December session of the local Presbytery was held at St. Paul's Presbyterian church yesterday afternoon. A large number of ministers and laymen wer present and much work was done. In the afternoon the main topic of discussion was home missions and many reports were received from missionaries telling of their work, and recommending necessary changes in their respective changes. Plans were laid for exploration work on the island and valuable suggestions were made for the advance of the good cause. A report was received telling of the work at Texada Island, and regarding this a committee was appointed to interview the Presbytery of New Westminster and ask them to take over the work at this island and at the mining and lumbering camps on the Mainland.

Another matter discussed was the visitation of congregations within the bounds of the Presbytery, and the moderator, Rev. C. B. Cummings, of Nanaimo, was instructed to appoint committees for this purpose.

At the continuation of the session yesterday evening, a report was read from Mr. Thompson, the missionary at Colwood, saying that the new church there was nearing completion. A deputation has been appointed to visit Colwood, Metchosin and Sooke with a view to the re-arrangement of this field.

On Monday afternoon and Tuesday morning meetings were held at St. Paul's church, and many practical matters were discussed by the laity and ministers of the district. The meeting on Tuesday morning was attended by the ministers who met to discuss their work.

DOWN IN SAMOA.

President McKinley Believes in Keeping Up Berlin Triparte Agreement.

Interview with Hon. W. Churchhill, Ex-Consul-General at Apia.

Among the passengers from Honolulu on the Aorangi was Hon. W. Churchill, ex-consul-general of the United States at Apia, Samoa, who has been spending some weeks in Honolulu. He had intended to visit Japan, but received instructions to proceed direct to Washington.

Much has been said concerning the attitude of the McKinley administration in Samoan affairs. Reports have come from the United States, England and Germany that trouble could not be averted in Samoa between the old powers interested there. Mr. Churchill kindly consented to talk on Samoan political affairs. He is informed upon the instructions of his successor, Mr. Osborn, but declines to talk concerning them. However, he had no hesitancy in speaking upon the affairs as they exist.

"The political situation in Samoa at the present day," said Mr. Churchill, "comprises two elements which need distinct consideration. First, as to the relations between the United States, Germany and England, and second, as to the present condition of the native Samoan monarchy.

"The former of these elements is perfectly provided for by the Berlin general act of 1890, which defines the regulations and the duties of each of the three contracting parties to the agreement. So long as that act is observed with scrupulous interpretation to its provisions, just so long is it impossible for any questions to arise of conflict between the three controlling parties.

"During Mr. Cleveland's administration and particularly during the lamentably brief administration of Judge Gresham as secretary of state, a tentative announcement was made that it would be better for the United States to withdraw from an arrangement which was considered by them un-American and possibly productive of international complications.

"The present administration of Mr. McKinley and Secretary Sherman apparently recedes from Mr. Cleveland's point of view and regards the continuance of the Berlin triparite control at Samoa as proper.

"The statement made in various papers that an American man-of-war was to be sent to Apia to protect the Americans rights is quite unofficial. If a cruiser is sent to Samoa it will be done not so much by reason of any American rights being jeopardized, which would call for armed interference, as by reason af the obligation under the Berlin tripartite treaty upon the United States to bear its portion of the treaty in police duty which Germany and Great Britain do not neglect.

"For eight months of each year Germany has always one and frequently two corvettes in Samoa, and during the same period more vessels of the same type from Great Britain's Australia squadron are anchored in the harbor for the same purpose. The last American war vessel in Samoan waters was the Alliance, which left Apia in February, 1893.

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To-day United States Circuit Judge W. W. Morrow delivered an opinion, reversing a decree made some months ago adverse to Mrs. Hinkley, and going one step farther impregnably establishes her in full possession of the Blythe millions by non-suiting the contestants to her property.

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CONGRATULATIONS.

Scotsmen Present the New Lieut.-Governor With an Address.

Lieut.-Governor McInnes was waited upon by a deputation from the Sir William Wallace Society on Monday last and presented with an address congratulating him on his recent appointment. The deputation from the society consisted of the following: Chief Hay, Past Chief Mackie, R. H. Jameson, secretary; Rev. Dr. Campbell, chaplain; Duncan McCrimmon, Neil McLeod, Dr. Milne, Hugh McDonald, Robert Foster and Pipers A. Robertson and Murdoch McDonald.

Dr. Milne read the address and short congratulatory speeches were made by Rev. Dr. Campbell, Chief Hay and the secretary, R. H. Jameson. Lieut.-Governor McInnes replied briefly, and the society pipers played several pipe selections.

The address, which is now being engrossed by Mr. E. B. McKay, is as follows:

"An t Onnaraich, T. R. MacAonghais,
Riaghleidair, Cholumbia Bhreatunnaich.

"Ma se toil bhur n-Oinair e: Tha sinne Muirtear Comunn Gaidhealach, Sir Uilliam Wallace, a deonacheadh air toilinntinn, s air n aoibhneas a chur n ceil, airson sibh a bhi air, air n airdacheadh gu Riaghleigh Cholumbia Bhreatunnaich.

"Tha sinn gu airreadh mor phroisail airson fear dair Comunn, a bhi co toilltinneach agus freagareach le onair, tuigse agus foghluim, s gu n deacheadh a theagha airson an driachd uramach so a lioneagh.

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Rome, Dec. 6.—The cabinet this morning formally tendered its resignation to King Humbert, who reserved his decision.

King Humbert has entrusted to the Marquis di Rudini the task of constructing the new cabinet, but the marquis asks time to reflect.

ONE HONEST MAN.
Dear Editor—Please inform your readers that it will be to them advantageous, I will mail, in a sealed letter, particulars of a simple remedy for Nervous Debility, Lost Manhood, Premature Decay, Impotency, Varicocele, Stricture, Lost Vitality, Nocturnal Emissions, Pimples on the Face, Blotches, Blood Poison, Gleet, Gonorrhoea, Gleet, Syphilis, Kidney and Urinary Troubles, Sunken Eyes, Sunken Cheeks, Pain in the Back, Premature Old Age, Loss of Power, Wasting Weakness, Lost Manhood, Impotency, Nervous Debility