

A Happy Gathering

The City Council Were in a Self-Congratulatory Mood Last Evening.

Business Proceeded With a Swing—Four By-Laws Finally Passed.

The members of the city council were happy last night. They showed it in the joyous expeditions manner in which they disposed of the business before them.

The general preliminaries having been completed, communications were taken up. W. W. Northcott, returning officer, reported the successful result of the polling on the quartette of by-laws submitted to the ratepayers yesterday.

The major congratulated the ratepayers on endorsing all the by-laws, which he eulogized as a progressive step. He pointed out that it would afford a very favorably commentary abroad on the enterprise of the citizens of Victoria.

Ald. Beekwith moved the adoption of the report, and incidentally a vote of thanks to the canvassers for their energy and untiring efforts he attributed a great measure of success.

Ald. Cameron seconded, and both motions were carried amid applause. The deputy superintendent general of Indian affairs, Ottawa, wrote as follows: Ottawa, June 13, 1901.

Dear Sir:—Referring to your letter of the 24th April last, with regard to the desire of the city of Victoria to have certain portions of the Songhees Indian reserve transferred to the corporation for certain portions of the Songhees Indian reserve of the Indians to another reserve, I beg to state that it would be quite impossible to entertain that request.

The communication was referred to the standing committee on acquisition of Indian reserve for report. The mayor of Vancouver and secretary of the celebration committee extended an invitation to the mayor, council and city committee to attend the coming Dominion Day festivities at Vancouver.

Williams pointed out that the work was a very necessary one, as the school required sewerage facilities. The work should be prosecuted without delay, as all places in which large numbers congregated should be adequately provided.

The engineer will give an estimate of the cost of the work. Ald. Brydon reported on the very pleasant visit of a number of the council to Vancouver. The all-Canada sports meet, and considered it just what Victoria needed.

In regard to the septic system he pointed out that four sections of this city could be comprehended by this system at the present time. He therefore recommended that the city engineer be instructed to prepare plans, ascertain locally desirable and give an estimate of what it would cost to install the system in this city.

The three trunks in Vancouver cost only \$5,000 each, or \$15,000. The sum of \$75,000 would effect a great deal in the improvement of the sewerage system of the city. Ald. Brydon's recommendation was embodied in the form of a report, which was adopted.

Ald. Stewart moved that the city engineer be instructed to notify the B. C. Electric Railway Company and Victoria Gas Company that it was the intention of the city council to commence the pavement of Government street immediately. The four by-laws were all reconsidered, adopted and finally passed.

Before adjourning Ald. Williams drew attention of the council to the petition of a number of ratepayers regarding Craigflower road, which had been tabled some time ago. This attempt to resurrect an old question failed, however, and the council adjourned.

ADOPTED THE GUARD. The Toronto Street Railway Company Will Use Invention of a Victorian in Their System. It will certainly prove of interest to Victorians to learn that the Toronto Street Railway Company has decided to adopt the Twentieth Century Guard for street car service, invented and patented by Thos. Watson, of this city.

The fender has been on trial for several months' past, and has given the greatest satisfaction. It has been through several accidents and the fact that it escapes virtually unscathed speaks volumes for its strength and durability. The adoption of the new fender means an order for several hundred, the exact number of which has not yet been ascertained.

When such a city as Toronto adopts an article after careful trial there is some justification for the prediction that the other cities will fall into line and supersede their unreliable antiquated fenders by something modern, efficacious and one that has stood the test. A local company has taken the new invention up and arrangements will be instituted at once for supplying Toronto with the number required.

Another Stampede

Strike on Gulch on Bonanza Creek Attracts Large Crowd of Miners.

Building Is Brisk at Dawson—The Beginning of Hillside Mining.

(Special Correspondence of the Times.) Dawson, June 8.—A strike was made on a gulch on Bonanza, a few miles below Grand Forks, a few days ago, and the resources of Bonanza, the beauties and wealth of Victoria and Vancouver Island. Over 30,000 copies of this superb magazine edition, which will be enclosed in a handsome cover, will be circulated during the time of the exhibition, thus affording an excellent opportunity for advertisers to bring before the numerous visitors to Victoria during this civic carnival their ability to cater to the wants of the public.

Mr. Ogilvie, late commissioner of Yukon, will proceed outside soon for a holiday of some months. He is the best authority on the history of Yukon. He tells how Ferguson, a Nova Scotian, staked the first bench or more precisely hillside claim in the Klondike. Ferguson was a man of few words and much thinking. He worked on Eldorado creek, and one day talking with Mr. Ogilvie, while the latter was surveying Bonanza creek, he made the remark that it was strange how the discovery of the creek came about, and the luck Carmack and Skookum Jim had in striking the only place on the creek where such a surface deposit of gold as ever found, as they washed up in a little while. He asked Mr. Ogilvie what he thought about the gold happening to be there, and where it came from. Mr. Ogilvie replied that in his opinion that gold never came from the creek at all, but had been washed down the hillside at that point, and was therefore on the surface. Carmack found his gold at a point where the hillside terminated higher up in a bench or gentle slope. Ferguson said nothing more, but he appears to have done a lot of thinking, and not long after this Carmack's party was surprised one morning to see the stakes of Ferguson in the hillside above the claim they were working. He worked there all winter, but no one could find the source of the gold. Mr. Ogilvie he vouchsafed the reply that he did not need to laugh, and he did not need to cry over what he was shown, which, as he interpreted, meant that he was very well satisfied with the return. That, however, was the beginning of the hillside mining, which has doubled the number of claims in the Klondike.

Sir Mackenzie Bowell, in a recent speech in the Senate, spoke of the boats which were used to ascend the Hoatling river, and could not get down again. Someone is leading the noble senator astray in his information. There were many barges that went up the Hoatling river a couple of years ago which could not get down. On the contrary every boat and barge built on Teslin lake, including the steamer "Herald," which was used to ascend the river when properly piloted, even when the river was its lowest of the year. When a speaker tries to make political capital against the Klondike route, he should know what he is talking about.

The two large steamers of the Northern Navigation Company, the Susie and Louise, as well as the Leon, have left for the coast trip down the Yukon. They took small lists of passengers for Koyukuk, St. Michael and way places. The travel on the lower river promises to be small this summer. Mrs. Wood, wife of Major Wood, N. W. M. P., will proceed outside in a few days for the benefit of her health, which has been very poor all winter. Her many friends wish her a speedy recovery and return.

Rev. E. A. Hetherington and wife, of the Methodist church, and Rev. Dr. Grant, of the Presbyterian church, will leave a few days for western points on a summer holiday. Building operations are increasing now as the supply of lumber is increasing. Messrs. Deltour and Edwards have broached a scheme which will involve the expenditure of over fifty thousand dollars. They contemplate forming an association between First and Second avenues, in that portion between Second and Third streets. If the plan is carried out it will provide an elegant addition to the business quarters of Dawson.

The spring washup is being slowly completed. It is estimated that the banks here now contain about five million dollars' worth of material, awaiting the regular opening of navigation through Lake La Barge. The washup will continue more steadily this summer than during any season hitherto in the Klondike. The massive framework and heavy steel work of a large dredging outfit arrived on a couple of barges at Dawson. The machinery and timber work will be taken sixteen miles up one of the creeks, and put at work in good locality this summer. This is the sort of thing we welcome here.

HENRY J. WOODSIDE. Mail From the Sound Will Be Fumigated Before Dispatch. The post office department has arranged that all letter mails dispatched from Seattle, Wash., to Victoria shall be fumigated before dispatch, so that the vexatious delay suffered by the public whilst waiting the fumigation of letters here may be avoided in future. The work of fumigating the letters is cheerfully undertaken by the postmaster at Seattle, who is well aware of the great convenience this will afford our citizens, and the post office inspector on a recent visit to Seattle completed final arrangements for the necessary fumigation, so that hereafter the letter mails from Seattle for Victoria will be ready for distribution and delivery to the public within a very short time after arrival.

Yesterday, the third day of sweltering heat in Chicago, resulted in two deaths and eighteen prostrations. The thermometer reached 94, and the next day accompanied by great humidity the suffering was intense.

SOUVENIR EDITION

Of the Times to Be Published Early in October.

Souvenir of the Royal visit. Recognizing that the approaching stay of their Royal Highnesses, the Duke and Duchess of York, will mark an epoch in the history of the city of Victoria and the province of British Columbia, the publishers of the Victoria Daily Times are preparing to issue a special souvenir edition, which will be published concurrently with the holding of the British Columbia agricultural exhibition. This number, which is issued under the patronage of His Worship the Mayor and board of aldermen, will consist of fifty or sixty pages printed on the finest paper and embellished with over one hundred half-tone engravings, illustrating the resources of British Columbia and the beauties and wealth of Victoria and Vancouver Island. Over 30,000 copies of this superb magazine edition, which will be enclosed in a handsome cover, will be circulated during the time of the exhibition, thus affording an excellent opportunity for advertisers to bring before the numerous visitors to Victoria during this civic carnival their ability to cater to the wants of the public.

BELLO NANAIMO.

Victoria and the Coal City Will Probably Be Connected by Long Distance Telephone Shortly.

H. W. Kent, general superintendent of the Amalgamated Telephone Company, was in the city for a short while on Saturday, having made the trip from the Coal City for the purpose of examining the country along the line and ascertaining the practicability of inaugurating telephonic communication between this city and Nanaimo. According to a Nanaimo exchange it is now almost assured that before the bad weather sets in there will be long distance telephone communication between this city and the capital. In these stirring times when minutes and seconds mean dollars, the long distance telephone is beginning to be looked upon, not as a convenience, but as an absolute necessity.

Mr. Kent has already made the trip from Nanaimo to Victoria by wagon road via Sooke lake. On his return, the route of the long distance telephone will be decided on. At present there are three prospective routes: (1) The route via Saanich, but which would require three to four miles of cable; (2) The wagon road via Sooke lake; (3) Practically the same route on the railway across the Goldstream mountains to the beginning. As regards the cable to connect Nanaimo with Vancouver, it is realized that at present the latter would prove a very expensive undertaking, but it is expected that the progress already made in the cheapening and improving of telephonic cables will result in the near future it will be within the realm of practicability to lay and operate a cable for the 36 miles under the Gulf of Georgia to connect Nanaimo and Vancouver Island at large with the mainland, and the telephonic circuits of North America.

SPLENDID OFFER.

Eastern Firm Will Contribute Trophy for Competition in Coming Regatta.

The time of the annual regatta of the N. P. A. O. at Shawanigan lake is rapidly approaching, and the representative crews are practicing assiduously for this great aquatic event. In connection with the arrangements now under way, it is interesting to note that the firm of Hiram Walker & Sons, of Walkerville, Ont., have offered a splendid trophy to be placed in competition at the regatta. When arrangements were first talked over in connection with the holding of this annual meeting, Mr. Ben Gordon, of this city, the agent of Messrs. Hiram Walker & Sons, of Walkerville, took a keen interest in the proceedings, and that with end in view communicated with his firm and brought to their attention the desirability of the encouragement of the regatta.

Mr. Gordon waited upon Mr. H. Dallas Helmecken, K. C., M. P. P., president of the association for the present year, who was very gratified at this spontaneous generosity of Messrs. Hiram Walker & Sons, and at once sent the following dispatch in reply: June 25th, 1901. Messrs. Hiram Walker & Sons, Ltd., Walkerville, Ont. The North Pacific Association of Amateur Oarsmen heartily thank you for your very handsome and most acceptable trophy, which they gratefully accept, and which in future will be known and rowed for as the Hiram Walker challenge trophy.

H. DALLAS HELMECKEN, President. This gift will not only be very highly appreciated by the association, but by all those who have rowing interests at heart. UNNECESSARY LOSS OF TIME. Mr. W. S. Whedon, cashier of the First National Bank of Winter, Iowa, in a recent letter gives some experience with a carpenter in his employ. That will be of value to other mechanics. He says: "I had a carpenter working for me who was obliged to stop work for several days on account of being troubled with diarrhoea. I mentioned to him that I had been similarly troubled and he recommended Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy had cured me. He bought a bottle of it from the drugstore here and informed me that one dose relieved him, and the next he was well." For sale by Henderson Bros., Wholesale Agents.

All By-Laws Carried

Ratepayers Voted For Progress Yesterday, Endorsing Four Proposed Improvements.

Work Will Be Prosecuted as Soon as Possible—A Bright Outlook.

Yesterday was a red letter day in the history of the corporation of Victoria. Four by-laws were endorsed in no mistakable manner by the ratepayers, and the work on the improvements provided for will be commenced and prosecuted as soon as possible. The by-laws are as follows: New Point Ellice Bridge Loan By-Law, 1901. \$75,000. James Bay Mud Flats Reclamation By-Law, 1901. 150,000. Government Street Paving Loan (City's Share) By-Law, 1901. 27,000. High School Loan By-Law, 1901. 30,000.

Total. \$282,000. Voting commenced yesterday morning at 8 o'clock, the returning officer and his staff of deputies and clerks having prepared everything for the day's balloting. Despite the inclement weather the balloting was quite brisk, which increased in the afternoon, particularly when 4 o'clock, the concluding hour, was reached.

Although great interest was manifested in the by-laws throughout, there was little excitement, however, as it was generally conceded that the Bridge, Mud Flats, Government Street Paving By-Laws, would pass easily. There was some doubt regarding the High School, owing to the misapprehension in some quarters of the primary object in view of the erection of the new building. Time and time again the fact had been emphasized that more room was absolutely necessary and that the erection of a new High School building would not only relieve the pressure, but place this city on an equality with the neighboring municipalities in the possession of adequate premises for the higher education here.

Three-fifths of the total vote polled for each by-law was required to carry it. The three first named were several hundred votes in the majority, the last having more than four hundred votes in excess of the required amount. The High School By-Law had eighty more than the necessary three-fifths, but it will be observed from the accompanying table that there was quite a spirited opposition to the by-law. For this reason possibly greater interest was manifested in its welfare than in the others which were regarded as safely carried. Fortunately the by-law was carried, and Fernwood road, the prospective site, will in the near future be adorned with a structure of which Victorians need not be ashamed. In the past it was always with an apologetic cringe that a resident of this city escorted visitors to the miserable little shack-like structure which has for years served the purpose of a High School building.

Two hundred and eighty-two thousand dollars expended in improvements in this city in one season! That is the meaning of the passage of the four by-laws yesterday—a stroke of enterprise which gives the lie to the oft-repeated assertion in other cities that Victorians had sunk into torpor. Hundreds of men will be given employment, and there will be enough mechanical activity to raise a "boom."

In regard to the Government street paving the by-law provides for a loan to defray the city's share. The property owners on Government street, contiguous to that part on which the improvement will be carried out, will contribute an additional \$15,000. This will increase the amount to be expended in improvements, and should the expenditure exceed expectations in the various other works and the Tramway company inaugurate their proposed improvement in their system nearly half a million dollars will be required to cover the sum total. The supporters of each by-law were out bright and early yesterday morning. Hacks and other vehicles were engaged, and many a ratepayer enjoyed a free ride to the polling station.

Counting commenced at 4 o'clock, and at intervals the Times posted bulletins announcing the progress of the count. A crowd soon assembled in front of the office, and the greatest interest was displayed and some excitement, when the close fight the High School By-Law was making became apparent. At 7 o'clock the final results were announced, and the official bulletin posted up at the city hall by the returning officer, W. W. Northcott. The official returns are as follows: Government Street Paving. For. Against. South Ward. 212 56. North Ward. 337 55. North Ward. 545 100. Majority for. 1,094 211. High School. For. Against. Central Ward. 172 99. North Ward. 248 128. North Ward. 434 213. Majority for. 854 440. James Bay Flats. For. Against. Central Ward. 223 83. South Ward. 337 55. North Ward. 612 89. Majority for. 1,182 197. Point Ellice Bridge. For. Against. Central Ward. 202 34. South Ward. 383 35. North Ward. 692 51. Majority for. 1,228 120.

Great credit is due the citizens' committee for their excellent work in the interests of progress, as well as the ladies, who turned out nobly.

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Coronation Ceremony

King Edward Will Be Crowned During Month of June, Next Year.

No Ground For Apprehension Regarding Possible Aggression on Spanish Territory.

London, June 27.—A proclamation of King Edward issued yesterday announcing that his coronation is to take place on a day not yet determined on in June next year, and the ceremonies shall include only such as are traditionally solemnized in Westminster Abbey. This officially denotes that the King's championship and numerous ancient usages in connection with the procession will not be observed.

Meredithe's Death. Verdict of Coroner's Jury Which Required Into Statement of Ex-Chief of Seattle Police. Seattle, Wash., June 27.—The coroner's jury empanelled this morning to inquire into causes leading to the death resulting in the killing of ex-Chief of Police William L. Meredith by John Considine on the afternoon of June 25th returned the following verdict: "We, the jury, find that said W. L. Meredith was murdered by John Considine, struck by John Considine, being struck on the head with a revolver, fracturing the skull in two places by Tom Considine and being shot in the body three times by John Considine, either gunshot wound being sufficient cause the death of said W. L. Meredith, same taking place at Guy's drug store on June 25th at 1.10 p. m."

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PECK IN COURT. Charged With Obtaining a Small Sum Under False Pretences, He Is Sentenced. This afternoon in the provincial police court, Harry Peck was arraigned upon the charge of having obtained \$5 under false pretences from N. A. Muller, of the Victoria Gardens. Peck pleaded guilty, stating that at the time he obtained the money he intended to repay it. Superintendent Hussey declined to say anything respecting the case except that he thought the prisoner should be placed under medical treatment as soon as possible. Magistrate Hall sentenced him to two months in the provincial jail.

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Both Considine attended the inquest and left immediately after the taking of the testimony without offering a testimony in their own behalf. The funeral of W. L. Meredith will hold in this city on June 29th.

RAILWAY EXTENSION. C. P. R. Company Will Build Lines Manitoba. Montreal, June 27.—President Shauvessey, of the C. P. R., in answer to inquiry as to the construction work Manitoba, which has been in progress since the coming year, said that it seemed to be great anxiety both on part of the Dominion and provincial governments to have the extension of the Waskada branch, that the Dominion government at instance of Hon. Mr. Sifton had offered a Dominion subsidy of \$3,200 per mile. Mr. Roblin, premier of Manitoba, considers it of the greatest importance that a railway should be built from western or northwestern to the settlers who live north of the Assiniboine river, but who are too far from the Great Northwest Central line. It is most anxious also that some extensions be made to the McGregor branches, and as a province subsidy is promised, in view of the fact that the Dominion government has undertaken to construct the end Mr. Shauvessey expressed hope, and stated that it was the intention, unless prevented by unforeseen obstacles, that they would be completed during the current season.

TRACKMEN'S STRIKE. Manager McNeill Says There Is Indication on Part of Strikers. Montreal, June 27.—General Manager McNeill of the C. P. R. states that he is not for intimating to the men of the striking trackmen the company could get all the men it wanted in place of the strikers. In Favor of Company. Fort William, June 27.—At a meeting of the different orders of railway men held last evening, a resolution adopted favoring the C. P. R. company was there was an unanimous demand for the demands of the striking trackmen were unreasonable and that the strike was ill-advised.

WANTS SHANGHAI EVACUATED. Shanghai, June 28.—The French Consul, M. de la Roche, visited all the consuls today to suggest that, as the foreign forces were being withdrawn from the city, the evacuation of Shanghai. The consuls are referring the matter to their respective governments.