

Mayor Anderson, ex-Mayor Oppenheimer and others the high water and the fearful ravages it was committing. He deemed discussing matters relating to road construction in early days, and the latter observed that if the government had but expended the sum appropriated for the legislative buildings in dredging works the results would be more beneficial to the country. Having already ascertained Mr. Tierney's views on the subject, Mr. McLagan, who advanced to the wards these gentlemen, advanced to asking Mr. Clendenning—knowing that to be an experienced contractor—if he thought it possible to construct dykes or breakwaters that would withstand such high water as at present prevails. The same question had been asked Mr. D. McGilivray and others, both here and in New Westminster, and answered in the frankest and most gentlemanly manner. Mr. McLagan, as all will attest, said: "Mr. Clendenning, I will ask you—? This was as far as he had proceeded with the matter, and he was made at his face by a lunge was made at the man I have been looking for." The full force of the intended blow was avoided, but it hit Mr. McLagan on the chin, causing him, a comparatively old man, to stagger slightly. When he heard the enraged pugilist shouting, "You son of a—", language such as is only used in the slums. No attempt was made to resort to cowardly assault, beyond asking the protection of a policeman from further injury. That is all that was needed. The facts connected with the affair, and which would not have been mentioned had it not been for the published in the morning paper, and it appears, no doubt, with a view to make it and justifiable.

With reference to the same matter the following appears in the News-Advertiser of yesterday: Mr. James Clendenning was the recipient of the following letter yesterday from Messrs. Harris & MacNeill, solicitors of this city: James Clendenning, Esq., Contractor, etc., city: Dear Sir,—Mr. J. C. McLagan has consulted us concerning an assault committed by you upon him on Saturday last, the 2nd of June. Although Mr. McLagan is unwilling to prosecute you, we cannot allow the matter to pass unrecorded. We are therefore instructed to sue for your conduct on the occasion referred to is made in the News-Advertiser of tomorrow, June 6th, at 3 P. M., no further action will be taken in the matter. Yours truly, HARRIS & MACNEILL.

Mr. Clendenning, like all good citizens, has no desire to be in a street war, and consequently regrets that he had to resort to such measures. He has requested the News-Advertiser to publish the following: J. C. McLagan, Esq., the World, Vancouver: Dear Sir,—I regret very much what took place on Saturday, and I assure you I feel deeply to have to chastise you for publishing falsehoods in the World newspaper about me. I also deeply regret that owing to the way you would not give you what I would have liked to.

Yours truly, JAS. CLANDENNING. GRAND LODGE SITTING. Supreme Chancellor Blackwell Visits Local Grand Lodge of K. P. From Wednesday's Daily. The grand lodge of Knights of Pythias in session here. Castle Hall, Broad street, is gaily decorated with bunting, streamers and a profusion of Pythian emblems. Supreme Chancellor Blackwell, of Kentucky, arrived by the steamer George E. Starr this morning from the Sound. He is accompanied by Brig. General H. A. Sigelow, and Col. J. E. Metcalf, of Seattle, of the Uniform Rank. These distinguished guests took it apart, and set it running again. Once more it was taken up to the president's office and once more it ceased running. For the second time the experts dissected it and found every part in working order. It kept time for the second time for two days and was confidently returned to the buyer, who reported back again in two hours. "The clock has stopped." An architect who became acquainted with the facts of the case sought the master. He said the oscillation of the high building counteracted and stopped the swing of the pendulum. The pendulum couldn't work with any regularity so long as the building was nodding around in the changing winds like a cat-bell before a summer zephyr. "So the tall buildings do swing back and forth?" he was asked. "Certainly, but don't be afraid; they'll not break."—Chicago Record.

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DALLAS ROAD PROPERTY. Private Individuals Said to be Encroaching Upon City Property.

Ald. Wilson Moves That Matter be Enquired Into—Electric Light Sues.

The city council met in regular session last night. The American board was present with the exception of Ald. Baker. City Clerk Dowler reported the receipt of the following communications: Ald. Wilson, calling attention to the stagnant water that exists on the city owing to defective drainage. Ald. Wilson said that he had received an application made on behalf of Andrew Keating for a sidewalk in front of his seven new houses on Princes avenue; and neglected attention to the corner of King's road, the Secretary Mackay, of the stonecutters' union, an aged stonemason of Victoria, B. I., a deserving man in despatches, was sent to the Old Men's home. Referred to Old Men's home committee.

Market Superintendent Johnson reported to the council the public market for May as \$14,965. W. P. Sayward Mill company wrote Mr. Wilson asking for a loan of \$5,000 for offering to sell certain land along the light house. Mr. Mackay wrote asking the council to indemnify him for a horse killed by an electric light wire.

The clerk was instructed to write to the tramway company acquainting them of their liability, as it was their wire that killed the animal. Tenders were received for the privilege of cutting grass on the park. W. W. Merriman offered \$100, James P. Clark \$37.50. The privilege was given to the highest bidder.

The finance committee reported accounts totalling \$4,900. Redon & Hartnagel complained of the high water rate, giving reasons why it worked them hardships. Referred to the finance committee. The school trustees asked for \$2053 out of the educational law-by-law for Contractor Brown of the South ward school.

Ordered paid. Ald. Wilson said buildings were being put up by private individuals along the Dallas road upon city property. He thought the rights of the city should be jealously guarded. Looking at an old map of the city of Victoria he saw that a lot of land designated in the map as public property was now claimed by private individuals. He understood they had some kind of legal claim. This was a matter of grave moment and should be immediately attended to.

Mayor Teague said the matter would receive immediate attention. The council adjourned at 8.45.

A CHICAGO BUILDING. So Tall That Its Oscillation Stopped a Clock.

A local corporation recently organized, established its headquarters on the top of the highest buildings in town. The attorney had a room to himself, the secretary was given another palatial apartment; the superintendent reigned supreme in another place; the president sat in a room with leather-cushioned chairs, massive tables and expensive bronzes. The crowning glory of his private office was a big clock with an elaborately carved case. It was the best clock in the entire stock of a local dealer, and it was a long, shiny pendulum which was to swing slowly and with regularity as became a clock owned by the president of such a solid and respectable corporation. On the first day the pendulum stopped. The clock was sent back to the dealer, who sent it back to the president, and set it running again. Once more it was taken up to the president's office and once more it ceased running. For the second time the experts dissected it and found every part in working order. It kept time for the second time for two days and was confidently returned to the buyer, who reported back again in two hours. "The clock has stopped."

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How Colonel Broke Records Getting Home to Camp One Summer Evening.

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Before the man had been called Colonel by any of the group, the newspaper man knew positively that he was a Colonel, and that whoever should address him would do so deferentially, yet easily and familiarly. These made the corollary to his very appearance. One could see in the Colonel's eyes and bearing about him that his comrades in the ranks of death, mingled with the sweet domestic life that beams from the eyes of an indulgent father watching the gambols of his children.

The other men of the group were not remarkable for anything beyond common notice or interest. The Colonel was talking; the others were listening with deep pleasurable attention to his notable voice, with its sharp, peremptory, military intonations, as if he were still ordering his troops. He was still talking, and Douglas was listening to his notable voice, with its sharp, peremptory, military intonations, as if he were still ordering his troops. He was still talking, and Douglas was listening to his notable voice, with its sharp, peremptory, military intonations, as if he were still ordering his troops.

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In 1828 he went up through the Spokane country to Desse river and down to California, where he discovered the gold mines which come like sugar loaves. In 1827 he made his way across the country to Hudson Bay, whence he sailed for England. His friends found him more useful in the western part than manager able at home; so in 1829 he again came out, and made many journeys through California, Oregon and Washington Territory, and finally came up to Puget Sound, intending to visit France river, and possibly the Russian territory.

This was his last and most unfortunate journey. Calling at Fort George and Port Alexandria, he went up as far as the Stony Islands on Fraser River (near present) where his canoe was dashed to pieces against rocks, his supplies and all his specimens lost, himself cast into the water and dashed upon the shore. This greatly discouraged him. Over four hundred specimens, the fruit of his labor, were lost; his eyesight being given to fall him; his knee, which he had hurt at the time, so lame that he could scarcely crawl for shelter from the pitiless storm.

Often does he refer to his isolation in his letters to his friend and patron, Sir William Hooker. He wrote: "Situated as I am, without any one of my kindred feelings to share my labors, my toil or my anxiety, your letter makes all one's troubles light." Only once or twice had he been cheered by meeting with congenial spirits, in addition to the officers of the Hudson Bay company, who were always kind to him. In California he once met Dr. Coulter, and writes in his journal: "What a terrible grand thing to meet a really good man, who can talk about plants." At Norway House he fell in with Drummond, who had been with him in the garden at Culross, but who was then attached as naturalist to Sir John Franklin's expedition.

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The Columbia river in 1833, he went to the Sandwich Islands. There he delayed for a few months for the sake of his favorite pursuit; but one day when passing some pits set for wild cat he determined to examine one in which a bullock had been caught. He missed his footing, fell in, and was killed. The consul forwarded his dog and other property to his friends in Scotland. Cut down in middle sea, he was buried in the bay. His name and story are well known to the natives and for science were not soon forgotten. The waving branches of the numberless Douglas pines, moved by the winds, will utter forth the requiem of him who lived so well the forests and forest trees.

H. M. S. Royal Arthur will sail upon Friday, taking in all about 800 tons. She is to be Vancouver for Dominion day, and will leave Esquimaux about the 28th of June.

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Round 4—Both started for wind and then followed a hot exchange, Maher getting in a couple of good lefts, while the negro placed his right on Maher's ribs to good effect. Maher's right hand landed on Godfrey's jaw, but the Irish lad now commenced to rush matters. Over went the left again. This time it was followed by the right, which landed. Godfrey went down like a shot, but was on his feet a second later. Maher measured the distance carefully, sent out his left as a feeler, and as Godfrey dropped his left to counter him Maher shot out the right. It struck the negro full in the jaw, and the darkey fell prone to the canvas. The second seconds dragged slowly, but Godfrey failed to rise.

Maher in the meantime was being embraced in turn by Sullivan, McAuliffe and half a dozen lesser lights. He refused to shake hands with either of the winners, but was fought between Maxey Hourney of Brooklyn and Joe Rodgers of Boston, both bantams; "Low Down" Allen of Boston and Andy Wilson of Philadelphia, both colored lightweights, and Joe Goodwin of New York and Young Goldman of Boston.

CORBETT AND JACKSON. New York, June 5.—The international heavy-weight championship battle between Corbett and Peter Jackson will positively not take place in England. Corbett says he has declined the national offer of a \$15,000 purse and will only consent to fight the colored champion in America.

The information was conveyed in a cablegram to-day to George Welly, the theatrical manager from Corbett himself. Corbett also stated that he had decided to accept the \$35,000 offered by the Jacksonville Athletic Club of Florida and authorized Welly to sign the articles of agreement. Anything Mr. Welly says in the matter, Corbett says, he will stand by.

The Californian agrees to fight Jackson for the purse and \$10,000, the battle to take place in October or November. Corbett says he will not return to America until July or August, and will require at least three months to train for the contest. He insists that the battle must be fought under the Marquis of Queensberry rules, the first to be the smallest allowed by the club.

Regarding the selection of a referee, the champion says he will allow the club to name the man or leave the matter to the principals to decide. Relative to the stake money, Corbett agrees to post the stakes as soon as the articles are signed. If Jackson objects to this arrangement, Corbett says he will strain a point and agree to post the stakes in installments. Corbett will agree to post the stakes in \$2500 to be paid on signing the agreement and \$2500 more two weeks before the fight.

Corbett will insist, however, on having inserted in the agreement a stipulation to the effect that should either party fail to comply with the articles all money in the hands of the stakeholder shall be forfeited to the party who shall have fulfilled his obligations according to the agreement. Mr. Welly said to-night that Vending, who is the eastern member of the Jacksonville club, called on him two weeks ago and asked him to communicate the offer of the Florida organization to Corbett. Mr. Welly did so with the proviso that Corbett fit to fight with Lave Al Smith, Dave Blanchard or Phil Dwyer as referee. "If Jackson wants to fight Corbett,"

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ON SATURDAY AFTERNOON. There are to be several races at Beacon Hill on Saturday afternoon, the principal one of which will be a match race for \$100 a side between Gray Dick and M. McGregor's chestnut mare. The other races will be minor events. There will very likely be a large turn out to see the races. The first will be run about two o'clock.

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