

HIS EXCELLENCY'S SCHEME

The Aldermen Receive a Communication From the Governor in Reference to the Khartoum College.

Some Passages in the Mayor's Message Do Not Meet With the Aldermen's Approval.

There was a complete readjustment of seats at the city council board last night. The mayor was the only member who occupied the same seat as at the previous council, for the new members had ousted the former occupants from their accustomed places.

The first business was the reading of the minutes, followed by the submission of the mayor's report, in the course of which his worship recommended that all civic works be in the hands of one council as a whole.

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Capt. Langley thought sub-committees from the committee of the whole could report upon minor matters. Ald. Williams and Phillips pointed out that such a course meant delay.

Ald. Humphrey said the system might work when the city engineer had a little stiffening, but the present city engineer listened to everyone and was doing work every day which he was not authorized to do.

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NATURAL HISTORY SOCIETY. An interesting Lecture by Dr. Kirker Last Night. An exceedingly well attended meeting of the Natural History Society was held last evening at their rooms in the School of Mines building.

OBJECTION TO KISSING. Major-General Shafter Does Not Like Being Husbanded. El Paso, Tex., Jan. 17.—Major-General Shafter and staff, en route to California, where the general will resume the command which he held prior to the breaking out of the war with Spain, have arrived here and were met by 2,000 people and a brass band.

NOTICE. Notice is hereby given that application will be made to the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia, at the next session, by the Yukon Railway Company, for an act amending chapter 40 of the Statutes of this province, entitled "An Act Respecting the Canadian Yukon Railway Company."

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ISLANDS FOR SALE. London, Jan. 17.—The Spanish government intend to ask the cortes to sanction the sale of the Caroline, Marianne and Pellow islands, on the ground that Spain is unable to provide the necessary naval and military forces to protect them.

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FATAL ACCIDENT TO A STOKER.

T. Russell, of the Imperieuse, Scalded to Death Yesterday. A shocking accident occurred yesterday at Esquimaux whereby a stoker of the flagship Imperieuse lost his life. The man, who was named T. Russell, was working on top of the boilers of the flag ship, and was watching the doors when the boilers were being tested.

Decided was a Plymouth man, and had been in the service about six years. He was comparatively young, being about 30 years of age. He leaves a wife and two children in Plymouth, and to these the regular allowance of an months' pay always made by the admiralty in such cases will go.

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