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Japanese Acting Consul-General on the Labor Trouble at Atlin Mines.

The Feder Grocery Business and the Failure of Thomas Dunn & Co.

By-Law to Cause Early Closing of Saloons Decried in Vancouver.

From Our Own Correspondent. Vancouver, April 21.—Mr. S. P. Sacko, of Honolulu, arrived by steamer to take the position formerly filled by Chancellor Takio, of the Japanese consulate, the last named gentleman filling the position of Japanese acting consul general for Canada.

In the words of Mr. Takio, there are now three channels of the Japanese consulate in Vancouver, the duties of acting consul, however, devolving upon himself. Mr. Takio explained the situation regarding his attitude in the Atlin affair—when 150 miners of Atlin are said to have ordered it to be closed by the Japanese minister in Vancouver, the duties of acting consul, however, devolving upon himself. Mr. Takio explained the situation regarding his attitude in the Atlin affair—when 150 miners of Atlin are said to have ordered it to be closed by the Japanese minister in Vancouver, the duties of acting consul, however, devolving upon himself.

Prosperous North West

W. R. MacInnes of the C. P. R. Gives His Views in Montreal.

Speaks of Rapid Increase in Population and Reductions of Rates.

Montreal, April 21.—All the conditions are favorable for another immense crop next autumn; there is a large immigration pouring in; strangers are coming in and buying both farm and city property; business is good. What better indications do you want of increased prosperity and progress in Western Canada?

WELLAND CANAL

Navigation Opens With Fourteen Boats First Day.

Port Dalhousie, April 21.—(Special)—Welland canal opened this morning with 14 boats waiting to lock through.

PURCHASING LAND

Farms Near Winnipeg Are Being Rapidly Disposed Of.

Winnipeg, Man., April 21.—All real estate dealers report an extensive business in farm lands near the city. Within the past ten days one firm alone they have sold in various districts, 37,000 acres, all within 15 miles of Winnipeg, and none have been sold for less than \$10 per acre.

TWO MEN LOST

Supposed to Have Broken Through Ice Near the Edmonton.

Edmonton, N. W. T., April 21.—It is believed that only the river can furnish an explanation of a mystery which has existed since Saturday night. That night Baptist and Joseph Rabasca, young men, 22 and 24 years of age, left their home to visit the country on the other side of the river. The ice, which was supposed to be strong and firm, still there was little or no traffic across as it was considered dangerous. They decided to cross the river, saying they would be back soon. The Calder house is not far from the landing on the other side, yet the young men did not reach their destination. This was not known until today, when enquiries were made as to the whereabouts of the men. Constable Deay has been searching for them all day, and he can find no trace of the missing men. It was reported that one of the boys had come north, but this report proves to be unfounded. Constable Deay is of the opinion that the young men were lost in the river.

UNEASY IN PEKIN

Court Had to Return to Alfy Fears of People.

Bekin, April 21.—The prevalent popular excitement has cut short the outgoing Chinese court at the bustling port. The court arrived at the port and intended remaining there one week, but hurriedly departed on Monday, begging them to return immediately in order to allay the uneasiness of the masses, among whom all sort of rumors are rife.

TORONTO CARPENTERS.

Want an Increase of Five Cents an Hour.

SPEAKER DEAD

Hullfax, April 21.—(Special)—News is received here of the death in South Dakota, where he went for his health, of Hon. Thomas Robertson, speaker of the Nova Scotia legislature.

COURT DECISIONS ON SEVERAL DISPUTES OVER ROYALTY.

Ottawa, April 21.—(Special)—Several Yukon royalty claims were decided in the Exchequer court today. Chappelle claimed a refund of \$12,000, for alleged collection. He was given a judgment for \$1,837. G. W. Cormack gets \$1,250, subject to reference to account with other parties interested. James Tweed and Charles Wood get \$7,548, subject to above reserve costs.

SUDDEN DEATH

Infant Child of Mill Bay Teacher Expires After Short Illness.

Somenos, B. C., April 21.—The family of Mr. Hoy, who for 18 years has been the highly esteemed teacher at Mill Bay, was shocked by the death of his youngest member, a five-month-old boy, who passed away at 10 o'clock Saturday morning after a few hours suffering.

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The Farmers Of Matsqui

Spring Meetings Addressed By Messrs. Reynor and Drummond.

Discussion of Rates and Other Topics With C.P.R. Freight Agent.

The regular spring meetings of the Matsqui Farmers' institute were held at the O. J. Manton in the afternoon, April 19, and at the Municipal hall, Mi. Lehman road, on Wednesday, April 20. There was a most representative attendance. The speakers were Messrs. Reynor and Drummond, gentlemen of high repute in the world of agricultural science.

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Municipal Amendments

Aldermen at Council Meeting Object to Proposed Radical Changes

And a Conference With the City Members Will Be Held.

At the weekly meeting of the City council last evening the principal subject discussed was the proposed legislation to amend the Municipal Act.

The new by-law to prevent wood cutting on the streets of the city and to prevent piles of wood being left in the streets, was passed through all its stages but one. It will probably come into effect next week.

The Craigflower by-law also came up, but the further consideration thereof was postponed until a later date. As there was not the necessary two-thirds majority to carry it through the first stages, a meeting of the council was held on Monday.

Mayor Hayward presided, and there were present, Ald. Barnard, Vincent, Worthington, Graham, McCann, Yates, Cameron, Williams and Kinsman.

MUNICIPAL LEGISLATION.

Mr. H. D. Helmecken, M.P.P., wrote to the council enclosing copies of the proposed amendments to the Municipal Act introduced into parliament, Nos. 83 and 87.

Mr. Helmecken drew the attention of the council to the fact that the amendments would be of great importance to the city.

Ald. Cameron thought the city should have a special charter. He did not approve of the legislation interfering with the municipal affairs of the city.

The Mayor said that he thought the council should give some consideration to the bills in question. The bills proposed radical changes in the municipal government.

Ald. Barnard pointed out that neither of these bills came from the Municipality committee. He agreed with the Mayor that the council should give some consideration to the bills.

Ald. Yates strongly opposed some of the proposed amendments. He thought they would be of great importance to the city.

A petition was read from Mr. W. T. Hardaker and others asking that the council should give some consideration to the bills.

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THE FIRE DEPARTMENT.

The Fire Warden's committee reported to the council that they had received \$400 to replace a team which had been used for the fire department.

STREETS AND BRIDGES COMMISSION.

The Streets, Bridges and Sewers committee recommended that the council should give some consideration to the bills.

FRASER RIVER GOLD.

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Canada Foundry Co. per Hinton Electric Co. agents, \$51.30 per gross ton.

On the motion of Ald. Worthington, the lowest tender, that of the Hinton Foundry Co., was accepted.

WOOD-CUTTING IN STREETS.

The new by-law prohibiting the cutting of fire-wood and the piling of the same in the streets of the city was passed through all its stages but one.

FINANCE.

The report of the Finance committee was read and adopted, and accounts amounting to \$4,455 were passed for payment.

SUPREME COURT.

Business Transacted in Chambers—Some Motions Laid Over.

Justice Drake sat in chambers yesterday morning, when the following business was transacted:

Smith v. Valenzuela.—This was an application to appoint a receiver for the property of the plaintiff and guardian, as between the plaintiff and defendant.

Hurst v. Porell.—In this case the defendant applied for a writ of habeas corpus, and the court granted it.

Imperial Budget.

London, April 21.—In the House of Commons today the Chancellor of the Exchequer said in the course of a speech that the budget proposals for the year 1902-3 would be more premature than the proposals for the year 1901-2.

LABOR UNIONS.

The blacksmiths held a meeting in Labor hall last evening, and formed a union with the International Brotherhood of Blacksmiths.

BOER DELEGATES.

Expected Back in Pretoria Next Month—Wellington Boer Delegates.

Pretoria, April 20.—Gen. Dewet has expected to return to Pretoria next month, accompanied by a number of Boer delegates.

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Yukon Elected Councillors to Be Recreated—Rifle Practice For Schools.

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Short in Accounts

General Freight Agent and Auditor of Kettle Valley Lines Wanted.

Examination So Far Shows Deficiency in Books to Large Amounts.

Left Grand Forks for Republic and Have Since Disappeared.

From Our Own Correspondent.

Grand Forks, April 21.—A rumor has been current for several days to the effect that T. E. Birbeck and C. W. Hayward, general freight and passenger agent and auditor, respectively, of the Kettle Valley lines, had disappeared.

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Provincial

Grand Forks Amalgamation Third Reading

Separate Day Arrangements Today—Second Reading

Legislative Chamber

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