

Municipal Affairs

Work on New Point Ellice Bridge to Commence Without Delay

Ald. Hall Wants Birdcage Walk Continued Through to Carr Street.

The regular meeting of the city council was held on Wednesday last evening, the aldermen having given audience to a delegation from the Trades and Labor Council in the committee room before adjourning to the business session in the council chamber.

J. D. McNiven, secretary of the Victoria Trades and Labor Council, asked, on behalf of the delegation, that in connection with using every endeavor to have all work in connection with the new bridges done at home. The council having agreed to the proposition, the following regular meeting, this letter was accordingly filed.

Fell & Gregory stated that they had been requested to take action against the corporation by Messrs. Leigh & Son to prevent the erection of a bridge at point Elliot, unless provision was made for a span.

Messrs. Lee & Fraser wrote, calling attention to the fact that the old Methodist church property might be secured for corporation purposes at a very reasonable figure. Filed.

F. A. Jackson reported a nuisance on Avalon road, caused by an open drain. Resolved to take action.

N. Shakespeare also called attention

to sit on Government street, at Rock Bay. This, too, was allowed to take the same course as the former complaint. The Finance Committee applied for permission to keep 18 milch cows within the city limits. The sanitary officer will make a report.

Mr. Hermann and Co. pointed out the wholesale destruction of window glass in vacant houses in all parts of the city. Referred to police commissioners.

Mr. Haldane suggested the position of clerk of works during the course of construction of the proposed civic improvements. Laid on the table.

Mr. Haldane suggested that the present system of flushing the drains was very defective and advised that hose be used in order to properly clean the drains in portions. The suggestion was accepted.

A petition from J. F. Fell and others again asked attention to the Craigflower drain. The sanitary officer will furnish a report on the subject.

The finance committee reported sundry items amounting to \$2,988.59, which were ordered to take the usual course.

The committee asked for appropriations out of the Government street paving by-law amounting to \$10,300, to cover pole moving and laying of curbs, etc. This was approved.

The special committee of the aldermen reported that in their opinion it would be only fair to allow the owner of the Veranda Hotel to be compensated for the property that certain other alterations be made. The report was adopted.

The street, bridge and sewer committee reported the results of their deliberations last Wednesday to the city council of which appeared in the Colonist of Thursday. This covered the starting of work on Government street paving, the removal of carbohydum, grading Irvington road, etc., Carleton place.

Ald. Cameron introduced his resolution to appoint a special committee to take up the matter of renaming streets and to make any necessary recommendations. The committee now obtains.

Ald. Cameron, Williams and Bryden were appointed a committee.

Ald. Stewart's resolution, that the purchasing agent be authorized to call for tenders for materials, for the substructure of Point Lillies bridge, carried.

Ald. Yates asked permission to introduce the tax by-law, 1901. The council was then read the first and second time.

Before adjournment Ald. Hall brought up the subject of a petition which had been presented to the council as long ago as 1900, signed by Dr. M. J. McLaughlin and sixty other taxpayers, asking that Birdenue Walk be continued through to Car street. This petition had at the time been referred to the city engineer and planning board, and it was reported that the work might be done under the local improvement plan. This report had never been presented, and as the time

dertaking, the alderman asked that the report be submitted at next meeting. The council then adjourned until 4 p. m. Thursday.

STRIKE SITUATION.

C. P. B. Claims to Have Full Forces of Men.

Montreal, July 8.—The third week of the strike of C. P. B. Trackmen has ended with results very much in favor of the company. The Ontario, Eastern and Atlantic division have practically a full force of trackmen, and the C. P. B. flying squads here and there. On the other divisions the company made considerable gains during the last week.

The C. P. B. did not permit of any calls on the funds of the union during the first two weeks of a strike, as 85 per cent. of all strikes are settled within that time, after that the strike allowance is usually paid.

The third week up, several applications for strike pay were made on Saturday afternoon by striking foremen, but without success. It was said even before the strike began that the Trackmen's Association in the United States had a reserve fund of \$350,000, which would be available for the C. P. B. and in reply to the application for strike

justice either returned evasive answers or made no answer at all. The members of the committee are drawing \$5 a day and Mr. Wilson has a comfortable salary, but the actual strikers especially those with families, think it hard that they should get nothing, and many, if not most of them, feel that it would have been better if they had accepted the \$100,000 offered by the C. P. R. company has made and obtained work.

The strike on the Maine Canal has been called off, although the strikers get absolutely nothing beyond the advance which the company put into effect before the strike was ordered, and Mr. Wilson is being urged on all sides to terminate the strike on the Canadian Pacific and let the men resume work at the advance which the company before he precipitated it.

DIED IN TORONTO.

John D. Kielly Was a Member of Street Railway Syndicate.

Toronto, July 8.—(Special.)—John D. Kielly, a well known street railway man died on Sunday, of heart failure, at his residence on Seaton street. Kielly was a member of the syndicate, which leased the Toronto street railway after the city took over the franchise in 1891.

TRAIN WRECK.

St. John, N.B., July 8. (Special)—A train was wrecked on the bridge near Cumberland Bay today, the engine going through the bridge. Will Nodwell, driver, was hurt so badly that he died a few minutes later. No other persons injured.