

BOARD OF TRADE

Meeting of the Council To-Day—Important Correspondence on Immigration.

Report of Committee on the Yukon Route—Government Aid Recommended.

The council of the board of trade discussed several important questions this morning. Mr. Kerr occupied the chair, and there were present Messrs. Scalf, Pearson, Davies, Ellis, Chapman, Templeman and Leiser.

The secretary read the following letter: Winnipeg, January 23rd, 1896.

Dear Sir:—Recognizing that the time and conditions are most propitious, it has been decided to call an immigration convention to meet in the city of Winnipeg, on Thursday and Friday, Feb. 27th and 28th, 1896.

By direction of the board, I have the honor to request the appointment by yourself of delegates to the number of three, if possible, to attend the convention.

The secretary read the report of the committee on Yukon trade, as follows: To the President and Council of the British Columbia Board of Trade.

Gentlemen:—Your special committee beg to report an interview with the provincial government in reference to a shorter trade route into the Yukon country.

It is expected the steamer could make the round trips between Lebarge lake, near White pass, and Forty Mile creek in 16 or 18 days, and that the time will be reduced when arrangements are made for the supply of fuel, consequently under favorable conditions it might be possible to make nine round trips in one season.

The report having been pretty fully discussed, was received and adopted. On motion of Messrs. Ellis and Davies, it was resolved, that the provincial government be respectfully urged to grant a subsidy of \$2500 yearly for a term of five years to any company that will place a good and sufficient steamer service for passengers and freight on the upper waters of the Yukon river and operate the same during the term of the subsidy as recommended by the report of the commission.

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WANDERER WRECKED

The Victoria Sealing Company's Schooner Wrecked in San Joseph Bay.

She Went in There Looking for Shelter, and Was Blown on the Rocks.

Captain Parsons and the Crew Return to Victoria on the Corwin.

Harry Parsons, master; William Keefe, mate; Julius Meyers, cook, and seaman Mack Rupper and Frank Wilks comprising the crew of the staunch little sealing schooner Wanderer, arrived on the United States revenue cutter Corwin to-day, and report the total loss of their schooner by being driven on the rocks in San Joseph Bay, near the north-west corner of Vancouver Island.

The Wanderer cleared from the custom house on January 17 and sailed on the morning of the 24th for Nootka Sound for the purpose of sealing Indian hunters.

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BOARD OF ALDERMEN

Legislative Committee Suggest Several Amendments to the Municipal Act.

The Government Will be Asked to Make Police Commissioners Elective.

At last night's meeting of the city council the amendments to the Municipal Act proposed by the legislative committee of the council, were discussed in committee of the whole.

The first of these amendments was the proposal of giving the city power to make the general assessment of 2 per cent. instead of 1-1-2 per cent. at present, and that the special rate for schools and health purposes be abolished.

Ald. Wilson was not in favor of raising the rate of taxation. It was possible that real estate would increase in value within a year, and if the rate should be now increased, it would mean increased taxation.

Ald. Cameron was in favor of special rates. It was necessary to raise the rate of taxation, but these special rates should be sufficient to raise all the money necessary for the departments for which they are levied.

The next recommendation from the legislative committee suggested that the board of police commissioners be increased by two additional members to be appointed by the council, three commissioners to be a quorum.

Ald. Macmillan would favor the amendment because it looked in the direction of making the commissioners more responsible to the people.

Mayor Beaven was also in favor of making the board of police commissioners elective.

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THE CORWIN'S TRIP

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Every Nook and Corner Along the West Coast of the Island Visited.

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BRITISH CAPITAL.

English Financiers are Interesting Themselves in This Province.

A Great Colonization Scheme is Discussed with the Government.

The recent discoveries of gold in Kootenay and other portions of the province have directed the attention of English capitalists to British Columbia as offering a good field for investment, but not having sufficient information regarding the enterprises that were seeking money for development, they as a rule refused to take an interest.

The American bark, E. K. Wood, Captain J. Hansen, has completed her load at Moodyville, for Nientun, China. It comprises 62,621 feet of dressed lumber, 571,475 feet of rough lumber and 58,000 laths, the whole valued at \$5650.

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At 8 o'clock this evening the C.P.N. steamer Maude will leave for Albeni and west coast points. She carries a full cargo of freight and a number of passengers.

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Wal Baking Powder ABSOLUTELY PURE

Highest of all in Leavening Power.—Latest U. S. Gov't Report

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Old Dr. Gordon's Remedy for Measles

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