

Provincial Legislature

A Good Deal of Work Accomplished During Yesterday's Sitting.

Mr. Houston Enlivens Proceedings in Committee on License Bill.

This week well begun at the legislature yesterday. The order paper has little but little increased in size. It is now a six-page pamphlet, and its contents were undertaken with a good deal of energy and with excellent results. The work was wholly routine and much of the time was spent in committee of the whole, four bills being in that stage.

Thistles and Formalities

Another Contribution to Literature by City Clerk In This Matter.

Civic Contract and the Default Clause—The Unsatisfactory Shacks.

There was another "Thistle" letter read at the meeting of the city council last night. The letter which explains itself, is as follows: (Be Thistles, Victoria, B.C., Aug. 6, 1900. To J. R. Anderson, Esq., Deputy Minister of Agriculture, Victoria, B.C. Sir:—I am again directed by the city council to acknowledge the receipt of the communication of the 24th ult., upon this subject with which you have been pleased to favor His Worship the Mayor, especially in reply to the council's letter to you of the 18th ult.)

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