Reception **Abandoned**

Death of Duke of Edinburgh Causes Abrogation of Official Demonstration.

His Excellency Will Be Privately Received by the Authorities.

An unfortunate turn to the preparations for the reception of His Excellency the Governor General and Lady Minto was reached to-day when, owing to the sad news of the death of the Sovereign's son, the arrangements had to be declared off.

The news arrived early in the forenoon in a press dispatch to the Times, and was quickly communicated to His Honor the Lieut, Governor and His Worship the Mayor. These two gentlemen conferred with Rear-Admiral Beaumont and the wires were immediately set in motion in an effort to communicate with His Excellency, H. M. S. Warspite, however, on which he is coming to Victoria, had left Vancouver before the telegram was dispatcaed and the local of-ficials were compelled to act on their own initiative.

On learning from 'Times' dispatches that even semi-official ceremonies were abs adoned in the Old Country owing to the bereavement of the Sovereign, it was decided to follow the same course, Bul- tical proceeding was properly appreciletins were posted informing the general afed. public of the decision reached, while sengers were dispatched to those expected to take part, notifying them of the scure points in the constitution and

change in the programme.

A regimental order was immediately promulgated by Major Williams cancel-ling the regimental parade, to provide a guard of honor for His Excellency. Flags were half-masted throughout the

aions of the deepest sympathy with the young Canadians regarding the Domin-Sovereign and with the other relatives of the deceased Duke were heard. Last night electric lights were installed across Government street and profuse decorations placed in position. Further

steps in this direction would have been answer to her letter of greeting. taken to-day had the above news not 8 this morning, but the weather outside

semi-officially or otherwise. Admiral Seymour and Sir Henri Joly will also

The children of Lord and Lady Minto drove down to the naval town this afternoon, and will meet their parents upon their arrival

The Legislature met this afternoon only to adjourn, the following resolution, however, being first adopted on motion of the Premier, seconded by the leader of

"That the following address of condolence to Her Majesty the Queen and the Royal Family on the death of His Royal Highness, Alfred Ernest Albert, Duke of Edinburgh and Duke of Saxe-Coburg Gotha, be presented to His Ma-

"We, Your Majesty's loyal and dutiful subjects, the members of the legislative assembly of British Columbia. in parliament assembled, desire humbly to tender to Your Majesty and the members of the Royal Family assurances of our profound sorrow and heartfelt ceived: sympathy for the great loss Your Majesty and the nation have sustained by the death of His Royal Highness the Duke of Edinburgh and Duke of Saxe

Coburg Gotha. "Your subjects in this part of Your Majesty's Empire have ever been most loyal and are devotedly attached to Your Majesty's Royal person and family, and feel keenly your bereavement. More especially at the present time, when the ties of the colonial relationship have been drawn so closely by events of great common concern, do they express the deep sorrow which the death of your son, the lamented Duke, has caused

"We, therefore, venture to hope that Your Majesty and the Royal Family will be graciously pleased to accept this humble, but loyal and sincere, assurance of our sorrow and sympathy in the affliction which the Supreme Ruler, in His inscrutable providence, has permitted to befall Your Majesty."

THAT LABOR BILL

Will Be Materially Altered—Last Peti-tions Reported From Private Bills Committee.

When Mr. McInnes's bill regarding labor comes up in committee in the House on its second reading, it is said that it will receive such a surgical treatment that its promoter will never recognize his production after it emerges from the cutting and slashing of the committee. Not that there is any desire to mutilate the are as follows:

ed and read a first time.

being their initial meeting.

criticising the Dominion government. Losses estimated at \$1,135.

THE CLOSING MEETING. National Council of Women Wind

Proceedings-Votes of Thanks Passed. At yesterday morning's meeting of the

National Council of Women the following letter was read from the Lieut. Victoria, B. C.,

July 28th, 1900.

I enclose herewith ten dollars for my rearly subscription, and must congratulate you on the great success of the Victoria meeting of the Council. I read with much interest some of the papers published by the press, and among others that, of Miss Cameron, "Parent and Teacher," and as a parent I am bound to value of her observations.

Believe me, dear Miss Wilson, yours HENRI JOLY DE LOTBINIERE.

followed was of a winding-up nature of the Council's annual business. It was pointed to audit the year's accounts.

the Council's fund for this purpose.

up, Lady Taylor throwing light on obstanding orders.

to the matter of including Canadian lite information was given in compliance erature in the home reading circles. She said that when in Europe she found that Legislature, while everywhere express own country, while the knowledge of the letter with ion was too often delightfully vague. They knew that Canada was "very big" and many times, that was all.

A letter was drafted from the Na-

Lieut.-Governor of British Columbia; to H. M. S. Warspite left Vancouver at the ladies of the Victoria city churches is reported foggy, and she will probably and board of aldermen for souvenir pro- attention to the great injustice the retail not reach Esquimalt until late this af- grammes, drives, etc.; to the Victoria trade of this city is subject to by reason Mayor Hayward will im- ladies who have acted as hostesses, and of the large number of Japanese and mediately go on board and ascertain to those who have publicly entertained Chinese who are engaged (and annually whether His Excellency wishes to land the Council at garden parties, receptincreasing in number) in peddling merfor their reports, which were character- and fruit, throughout the city. go on board and pay their respects to the | ized as the best and fullest ever given | These people pay no taxes or revenue to Council work.

> lumbia and Miss Perrin were "at home" to the ladies of the Council.

Through White Horse to July 16th.

The following statement of the gold said on this point. which has passed through White Horse steamers on which it arrived, and the amend the market and pedlars by-laws by

Ora, June 14th\$ 75,000

y	Gold Star, June 10th	60,000
e	Emma Nott, June 20th	18,000
-	Yukoner, June 20th	\$58,000
	Phillip Lowe, June 24th	85,000
r	Ora. June 26th	980,000
t	Yukoner, June 29th	950,000
r	Pingree, June 29th	75,000
d	Pingree, June 29th	225,000
3-	Sybil. June 30th	650,000
е	Sybil, June 30th	700,000
9	Canadian, July 3rd	240,000
t	Florence S., July 3rd	45,000
e	Anglican, July 3rd	55,000
r	Victorian, July 4th	1,450,000
ď	Bailey, July 5th	160,000
	Sybil. July 6th	90,000
t	Yukoner, July 8th	460,000
y	Columbian, July 9th	60,000
8	Lightning, July 9th	25,000
e	Eldorado, July 11th	45,000
	Nora, July 12th	20,000
8	Canadian, July 13th	60,000
0	Victorian, July 13th	28,000
	Balley, July 13th	15,000
	Zealandian, July 15th	22,000
	Flora, July 16th	40,000
	Yukoner, July 16th	22,000
•	Lightning, July 16th	85,000
	Total	7,378,000

FIRE LOSSES.

Seventeen Blazes During July With Corresponding Losses Amounting

to \$1,135. The fire returns for the past month

measure because it is a Labor Bill, but | July 2nd, grass fire at park, no loss every confrere of the gentleman are said July 3rd, roof fire at two-story frame torily, to favor at least a liberal use of the residence, No. 187 Fort street, no loss, pruning knife. The bill was down for July 14th, fire at stable owned by W. against the inadequate water supply was pal bonds from taxation as personal, proits second reading to-day.

Allen, Pembroke street, cause unknown; read from Frank Adams, and on motion perty. This morning the private bills committee held its third session and reported 14th, grass fire at Beacon Hill, no loss; ly, the writers are to be informed that office of the boards of licensing and police the last of the petitions to introduce pri- July 15th, two beach fires; July 19th, as soon as the new pumping station has commissioners, and well if the vate bills. These were the Vancouver & false alarm and fire on shingle roof of Lulu Island Railway Co., Pacific & Omi- two-story frame, 32 Rae street, cause, will have been removed. neca Railway and the Grand Forks & sparks, loss \$10; July 20th, grass fire, Kettle River Valley Railway. This third South Turner street, no loss; July 25th, Trade, reported that the 21st annual restrict \$13.40 per thousand. report of the committee to the House fire at two-story frame residence, Lanspractically ends the first stage of pro- downe road, owner T. M. Brayshaw, ceedings in the private hills committee, cause unknown, estimated loss \$750; July as the time for receiving private bills ex. 25th, false alarm; July 27th, fire on to the finance committee for report. pired yesterday. The committee has a shingle roof of Bank Exchange kitchen, meeting to-morrow morning to consider Langley street, cause sparks, no loss; Plate Glass Insurance Co., complained private bills, the petitions for which July 27th, fire in room on fourth floor that in several places throughout the city have been reported and the bills introduc-, of New England, Hotel, Government windows had been smashed by boys, and d and read a first time, street, cause lamp igniting curtains of instanced two occasions, where the mittee be appointed to permanently set-The railway committee has also a window, loss estimated at \$75; July 27th, Dmard Hotel had suffered. Referred to tle the Craigflower road question was adreading down for to-morrow morning, it fire on beach at Fowl Bay, no loss; July the police commissioners, 28th, fire at two-story frame residence, Mr. Tatlow's resolution regarding the Pine street, owner and occupant A. W. Dominion legislation on the Chinese Griffiths, cause tar igniting from fire in 24 men working for Hugh Jack up the Ald. Yates then asked leave to introquestion may evoke considerable discussion stove, loss estimated at \$50; July 29th, E. & N. line, which money they conduce the Craigflower road compensating sion considering that it has the effect of two grass fires, no loss. Total fires, 17. tended the city was not entitled to.

Insufficient Water Supply

Citizens Complain of a General Shortage--Cyclists Petition for Tax of \$1.00.

Retail Grocers' Association Protests Against Chinese Licease Fees.

In the course of the regular business acknowledge the truth as well as the transacted at last evening's weekly meeting of the City Council, a number of complaints of the insufficient water At a private session the Council dealt heard; a petition was submitted from which will be open free to the public from with the question of "Better Protection over 200 cyclists asking for the imposi-for Women and Children." That which tion of a tax to raise funds for the lay-A long discussion followed on the questhey have now to contend with, and amtion of the verbatim reports and hand- ong other communications read, one was books for the forthcoming year, the out- received from the Vancouver council askcome of which was that a publication ing for the board's co-operation in urging committee was formed with Miss Fitz- the Dominion government to take steps Gibbon as convener, to deal with the to prevent the Chinese from entering matter, \$300 being apportioned out of Canada from the South because of the Miss Ross, of Toronto, in recognition These with other matters were considof the Council's work as she seen it in ered at the meeting, all members of the Victoria, handed in \$10 as her subscripaldermanic board being present except aldermanic board being present except North.

In the order of routine, correspondence The question drawer was then taken from the legal firms of Messrs. Tupper up, Lady Taylor throwing light on ob- & Peters and Bodwell & Duff was read showing in a way the position in which the Port Angeles & Eastern railacteristic appeal to the Council in regard way and the Victoria & Chilliwack rails with a resolution of Ald. Williams, passed at a former meeting of the council, were received and referred to the standing committees for report.

The communication from the Retail tional Council to Lady Aberdeen in fred Gibson, the secretary, was as fol-

Votes of thanks were passed to the His Worship the Mayor and Council of the

City of Victoria, B. C.: On behalf of the Retail Grocers' Associafor hospitality extended; to the mayor tion of this city, I beg leave to draw your tions, etc.; and to the Times and Colonist chandise of all kinds, usually vegetables

to the proceedings of the National Coun- the city, except that, we understand, some cil; to Robert Jamieson for his generous, of them take advantage of the market fee action in placing the opera house at the of five cents per day, which was, we bedisposal of the Council; to the clergy lieve, established to allow farmers and who preached special sermons on the market gardeners who, after driving to the market and unable to sell their proof the Baptist churches. In the after- on the streets. Apart from our grievance, report. noon His Lordship the Bishop of Co- there is also the public health to be considered. The majority of these street pedlars purchase their supplies from the Dowler's lengthy communication respectmarket gardener and wholesale fruit dealers. Most of these goods are taken to their Shipments of the Yellow Metal Passing retailing, and probably left in a room over night where dozens of these people

live, sleep and eat. Nothing more need be Therefore, gentlemen, we humbly ask that you take this matter into your conup to July 16th, together with the sideration at once, and suggest that you dates of its arrival, has just been re- the imposition of a fee on these pedlars that will be equitable and somewhat in proportion to the burden that we, as fact, be sent to him. tradesmen, have to pay, which will be a protection to us, and incidentally help the revenue of this city and protect the health of its citizens.

Ald. Cooley did not quite see what the association wanted the council to do. and Ald, Yates was of opinion that the Chinese were privileged in respect to the by-law because they owned no land. received and laid on the table. If the by-law was amended then the farmer suffered

ket committee some years ago and advo- perty with the harbor, recommended that cated then in the framing of the by-law the work be done, but the matter was that the cause of the present complaint again left in abeyance, Ald. Brydon opbe guarded against. He wanted to see posing it strongly. the Japs and Chinamen placed on a An interim report from another comequitable basis with all other traders. and stated that this end could be reach. in the Municipal Clauses Act, which the ed by compelling them to obtain the council endorsed: same licenses as other tradesmen at the 1. Certain changes which would decrease City Hall. The farmer would be ex- the amount of clerical work upon the empt from any special tax.

decided, on motion of Ald. Yates, that municipality remaining unsold. the secretary be asked to state what he | 3. Power to borrow the city's share of would consider an equitable fee.

Then was read a communication from J. Fred Hume, complaining of the lack of city water along the Dallas road and inquiring if it was not possible for some kind of provision to be made whereby one section of the city could be supplied

alternately with other sections.

This suggestion Ald, Williams explained had been carried out before and the system, he understood, had been abandoned because of it not working satisfac-

Another communication, also protesting 10. To secure the exemption of municibeen completed the cause of complaint

port was now in the hands of the committee and he desired to know how many copies the council might want. Referred J. W. Mellor, representative of Lloyd's

for a rebate of poll taxes collected from the committee Ald. Stewart said that this was a case cil adjourned.

where the collector got there first and his good service should be appreciated. He was opposed to any refund. On motion of Ald. Kinsman the let

H. O. Price, directors' warden of St. Saviour's church, Victoria West, asked for several improvements in that part of the town. The communication was referred to the streets and sewers com-

er was referred to the finance commit-

David Blair wrote as follows: 47 Vancouver street, July 30, 1900. To the Mayor and City Councillors, Vic

Gentlemen:-Next month I propose to pen classes in Victoria for technical instruction in drawing, painting, woodcarving, modelling in clay, and decorative de sign, together with geometrical engineering and architectural drafting.

In the lower hall of the St. Andrew's and Caledonian Society I have a colletion of over 200 drawings and paintings supply in different parts of the city were illustrating the above classes of work, and

These works, with the exception of a few of my own, have all been made under ing out of paths for the "silent steed;" my direction by students in technical decided that an expert accountant be ap- from the Grocers' Association came a schools of which I have been the master protest against the Asiatic competition and I am writing to ask you if the exhibition of these, and the school I am about to open, can be announced as being under the patronage of the mayor and city council. I may mention that I am a certificated science and art master of South Kensington, London, and that the school I am about to establish will be affiliated with the Science and Art Department, South existence of plague in San Francisco. Kensington, and also with the London City and Guilds Institute. These institutions will hold annual examinations here and issue certificates to successful candition as a life patron of the National Ald. Hall and Beckwith, the latter of dates, similar in every respect to those Council. Miss Ross's eminently praction has not yet returned from the awarded to students in the United Kingwhom has not yet returned from the awarded to students in the United King I have the honor to be, gentlemen, your

DAVID BLAIR. The request was granted. Ald. Wilfams, commenting on the value of such an institution to Victoria, said that the

council might help out the project in

some other way. The communication from the City Council of Vancouver, above referred to was then dealt with.

Ald, Yates remarked that inasmuch as special precautions were being taken by the health authorities along the bound-Gracers' Association, forwarded by Al- ary line, the move on the council's part was hardly necessary. He therefore moved that the Vancouver council be asked what steps it proposed taking in urging the Dominion to prevent the landing of Mongolians from across the border. The motion was carried.

Drake, Jackson & Helmcken wrote giving formal notice that they had applied for and had, according to regulation, a map made of certain sections of Beckley farm, Received and filed.

Erskine, Wall & Co. complained tramway rail extension and also of the lack of a crossing in front of their prem-

The letter was received and filed and the writers are to be notified that the work is to be proceeded with shortly. Several requests for street improvements and for sewer connections were Luncheon was provided by the ladies duce, might have the privilege of selling it referred to the different committees for

> J. R. Anderson, deputy minister of agriculture, wrote in reply to City Clerk ing thistles, stating that he thought the official.

Ald. Stewart, however, thought differently and wanted a reply forwarded to the deputy minister, pointing out that the council was acting in a fit and proper

Ald. Yates observed that several pertinent questions had been ignored by the deputy minister of agriculture and moved that a suitable reply, embodying this

This course was approved of, The city engineer's report mentioned that two of the horses belonging to the corporation were no longer fit for service. The report was referred to the

streets and bridges committee. The petition from Herbert Kent and some 270 cyclists, above mentioned, was

The special committee appointed to inquire into and report on the laying of Ald, Cameron said he was on the mar- a drain connecting Mr. Quagliotti's pro-

mittee suggested the following changes

assessment roll and its notices After some further discussion it was 2 Power to hypothecate the bonds of

the cost of works done under the Local Improvement system. 4. Power to charge and collect rates for

street sprinkling. 5. Power to collect costs for confirming tax sales. 6. To define the "majority" required for

ly-laws submitted to the people. 7. To facilitate the preparation of voters' Hsts. 8. Power to endue an official with extraordinary powers in times of epidemic.

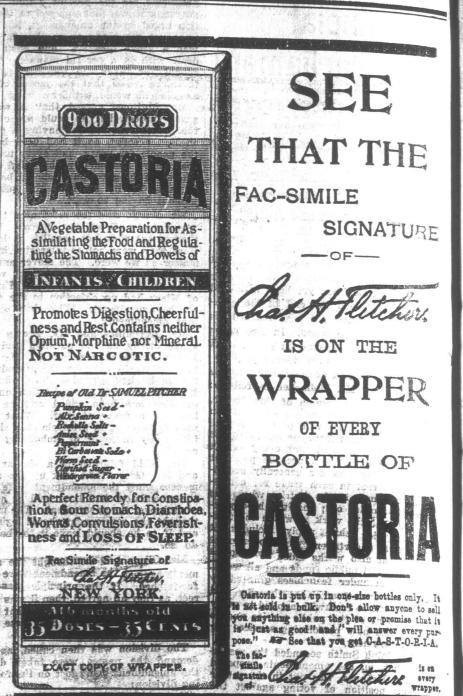
9. Power to impose a frontage tax to meet the cost of sewers.

The finance committee recommended the acceptance of J. A. Sayward's ten-F. Elworthy, secretary of the Board of der for pavement blocks, 3x8x5 inches.

> Received and adopted. The committee delegated to report on the removal of shingle from along the Dallas road suggested that steps be taken to protect the coast line Accounts to the amount of \$697.27 were

The motion asking that a special comopted and the Mayor named Ald. Wil-Barker & Potts, of Nanaimo, asked liams, Nates, Cameron and Brydon on

by-law, and this being granted, the coun-





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