

MANY PERMANENT WALKS PROPOSED COUNCIL PREPARE THE WAY TO BUILD MORE

Legal Opinion Given on the Opening of Catherine Street—Routine of Weekly Meeting.

More permanent sidewalks are to be laid in the business portion of the city, and two are projected for residential sections, one for King's road and the other for Oswego street. At Monday's meeting of the city council, Ald. Beck with introduced a motion, paving the way for a permanent walk on the west side of Langley, from Yates street to the court house; another from Government to Douglas on the south side of Johnson; a third on the north side of Government from Store to Government, and a fourth from the Victoria hotel to Cormorant street. In connection with the motion Ald. Efford moved to have Broad to Douglas included on the programme, and Ald. Vincent proposed a walk on Oswego from John to Montreal street.

All these motions met with no opposition, the keynote of the situation being apparently to "take" the people while they are in the permanent sidewalk humor.

All but one of the aldermen were present at last night's meeting, and City Clerk Dowler, whose file is usually well loaded down at certain seasons of the year when the need of good sidewalks and roads, lights, etc., is felt, had a somewhat limited number of communications to read.

The secretary of the department of public works, Ottawa, wrote reporting that since the plans had been altered the department had now no further objection to the construction of a wharf at the foot of Oswego street. Received and filed.

There is to be a celebration at Lady-smith on July 1st, and an invitation to the Mayor and council was extended, which was accepted with thanks.

A request from the board of health for a new buzzy for the sanitary office was referred to the finance committee, with power to act.

The city assessor reported that he had received no objections to the proposed assessment on Government street near the post office, and that the time for the taking of objections had expired. Received and filed.

The sanitary and building inspectors reported as follows:

Be the old one story store fronting on the corner of Broad and Pandora streets, together with the sheds, etc., at the rear, all on lot 687, block Y, assessed to Messrs. McLennan & McFadyen, in C. Land & Investment Co. being agents; the old one story and a half building on lot 12, used as a wash house and known as No. 73 Douglas street, Mr. E. B. Martin being the assessed owner; and also the westerly portion on lot 805, block 83, Quebec street, with the stables, etc., in rear, assessed to Mrs. Crige, in my opinion, all these buildings are in such a condition as to fully come under the provisions of chapter 10 of the Municipal Clauses Act, and should be removed.

Received and filed, the owners of the buildings named to be notified to meet the council on Friday evening to show cause, if any, why the structures should not be destroyed.

The city solicitor reported as follows:

I have the honor to report upon the city's position with regard to the titles of persons encroaching on Catherine street, that on the section 31 have been sold and dealt with on a plan filed by Jeremiah Nagle in 1861, and no other plan is recognized at the Land Registry.

In 1884 Mr. Ralph surveyed a survey in which he placed the eastern boundary line of the section as being 15 feet more to the west than is shown in Mr. Nagle's plan.

This survey, therefore, in order to give the proper quantities of land to the lot owners, through the street lines of Aisten street, Mary street, Catherine street and Russell street, and in giving street lines to lot owners, the city engineer has surveyed the street lines, however, who built previously to the survey did so on the assumption that the Nagle plan showed the correct boundaries.

Most of the encroachments on the Ralph survey are those which conform to the Nagle plan, and in these cases I am of opinion that the city must pay compensation if they require to set the encroachers back to the street lines shown by the Ralph survey.

In other cases, encroachments appear to have been made on irregular lines, and on account of the existence of rocky ground, and for other reasons.

In these cases, in so far as these encroachments extend over the street lines as shown by the Nagle plan, the city can force the person so encroaching to set back his fence, without any compensation.

The encroachments on these various streets are rather numerous, and I think the council should hesitate about straightening Catherine street, unless they are prepared, sooner or later, to straighten the other streets parallel thereto. A state of affairs exactly on all-ours with the present one is rapidly met with, and consequently I would suggest that before deciding to do anything the council should carefully consider the whole question and resort to the plan for an explanation of the exact position of the encroachments.

Received and referred to the streets, bridges and sewers committee.

J. B. Cox and nine other residents of King's road introduced for a permanent sidewalk on the east side of that thoroughfare between Douglas and Second streets.

Ald. Beckwith moved that the petition be received and that the petitioners be informed that the council intend moving in the matter. The motion carried.

Tenders for the supply of gravel were next opened as follows:

A. E. Gale, \$1.25, delivered on the cars, or \$1.70 delivered where wanted. W. H. Haggerty, \$1.10.

W. H. Jones, 45 cents per cubic yard for hauling gravel delivered on scow at wharf.

Geo. McGregor, \$1.75.

B. C. Salvage Co., 45 cents, delivered on scow, or 65 cents for haul to Victoria Transfer Co., 65 cents for hauling.

The tenders were referred to the city engineer and purchasing committee.

Tenders for the purchase of the grass in Ross Bay cemetery were next opened as follows: Julius West, \$17; W. G. Henley, \$20; W. McDowell, \$20.50; Oliver Johnson, \$10; J. H. White, \$21.25; and J. Heney, \$25. Mr. McDowell was the successful tenderer.

The streets, bridges and sewers committee recommended the removal of poles on Fort street, part of the cost of which is to be borne by the B. C. Electric Railway Co. Adopted.

The finance committee reported accounts totalling \$2,018. Approved.

A further appropriation of \$200 towards repairs to the old fire hall was approved.

The motions respecting permanent sidewalks were then adopted, and after the passage of Ald. Grahame's motion respecting the appointment of members of the council to the court of revision the council adjourned.

HIGHLAND VALLEY MINES. Rich Property Near Ashcroft on Which Considerable Work Will Be Done.

James Sword, who has just arrived on the Coast, gives interesting news of the Highland Valley mines near Ashcroft.

"I am aware that a great deal of interest is now being manifested by mining men in the magnificent copper prospects near Ashcroft," he says. "No work other than assessment work has been made upon the properties until recently.

"The largest exposures of ore are on the Transvaal group, which consists of several claims. The Transvaal group is under bond to Mr. Curtis, of Rossland, and myself, and considerable development work will be done from now on from the surface. This kind of ore is comparatively rare in British Columbia and only exists in quantity in dry sections such as Arizona and Mexico.

"The parties who have the property under bond are negotiating with Eastern capitalists to develop and equip the mines, although two American experts on behalf of their principal resources will be sent for the property, which is now under consideration.

"If the district turns out to be undeveloped, it will create a big industry around Ashcroft and help the development of the coal fields of the Nicola, which are only 40 miles distant and to which railway construction will add no engineering difficulties, no obstructions. South of the copper district are many deposits of iron, which carry small percentages of copper and which will be valuable as fluxes for the Highland Valley ores.

"There is, according to several mining men who have been inspecting the district, very essential to bringing copper into a mining district, there being ore fluxes, coal, timber and water power in abundance, and the climate goes without saying. The ore runs from 2 1/2 to 30 per cent copper, and as high as this or not more than one-half, it is a huge proposition and one that will, with development, mean much to the province of British Columbia. It is a very lively little town, for within the next two years there should be at least 500 or 600 men at work on the Highland Valley mines and Ashcroft will be the nearest railroad town."

WANDERER PATRIOT. W. D. Ross, Who Was Found Drowned, Was to Have Been Married Next Month.

The Times on Monday had a brief telegram from Vancouver stating that the body of W. D. Ross, one of the best known young hockey players of the terminal city, had been found in False creek, he having apparently walked off the city wharf. The News-Advertiser, referring to the fatality, says:

"A Hindu workman saw the corpse and notified the port foreman, who telephoned to the police. The body was found imbedded in the mud left by the outgoing tide. The face was turned upwards, and the arms were clasped over a heavy log which had been lifted back. The body was put in position, and the log was raised, and the corpse was then taken up. No marks of violence could be discovered, and it is generally supposed that it was a case of accidental drowning. How he came to be there no one can tell, but it is quite evident that he must have been walking along the wharf in the darkness. He may have taken a misstep, or he may have stumbled over some object and fallen into the water. There were many logs floating about there and he may have struck one and been stunned, or he may have kept rolling a log by trying to grasp it till he was quite exhausted and sank. His watch was still ticking away, and did not stop till late in the evening, which shows that he must have found it up the night before."

On Sunday morning Mr. Ross attended service at St. John's church, and in the afternoon went over to North Vancouver. He had promised to dine with A. J. Baxter in the evening, but failed to do so, but between 7 and 8 o'clock went into Atkins's drug store at the corner of Homer and Hastings streets, and chatted away cheerfully with the night clerk for about half an hour. At that time he appeared to be quite cheerful, and when seen at a later hour was in the best of spirits. The deceased was barely thirty years of age, and was very popular in town. He was the son of Daniel Ross, of Stanley Bridge, near Charlottetown, P. E. I., who died a few months ago.

Mr. Ross had resided in Vancouver for about three years and was a vice-president of the Lancers Club. He had also an office in the newly-organized Men's Club of St. John's church. He leaves a widowed mother, two brothers and three sisters to mourn his loss, but perhaps the saddest feature of his early death is that he was engaged to be married in July to Miss James, a daughter of the superintendent of telegraphs in Prince Edward Island.

LONDON COMMENTS ON LENORA DEAL

REFERENCE MADE TO MATSON'S PROPOSAL

B. C. Review Gives Short Summary of Negotiations for Sale of the Property.

The B. C. Review, published in London, England, makes reference to the efforts of S. M. Matson to interest capital in the Lenora mine at Mount Sicker. The issue of May 28th contained the following account of it:

"It was announced about two weeks ago, through Reuters agency, that the Lenora mine in Vancouver Island, together with the Crofton smelter and a sawmill and timber rights on the island, had been sold in London for the sum of £300,000. The Lenora is a gold-copper property in the Mount Sicker district, which was developed somewhat before the Tyee mine, a near neighbor, came into notoriety, and was one of the most valuable mines yet opened up in British Columbia. The preliminary development was due to the enterprise of Henry Croft, an English engineer, resident in Victoria, who had the mine in his possession for some time. At that time this province was attracting crowds on account of the gold found in Cariboo and elsewhere. Mr. Wilson-Brown joined the miners on their way here and arrived in Victoria for the first time in the early sixties. Shortly afterwards he purchased about 500 acres of the best agricultural land of the Saanich district and resided on his ranch until a few years ago.

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INTERESTING CAREER. Geo. Henry Wilson-Brown Served in Army Before Coming to Vancouver Island.

By the death of Geo. Henry Wilson-Brown, which occurred Monday morning at the Provincial Royal Jubilee hospital, Victoria has lost another prominent pioneer. Mr. Wilson-Brown, before coming to British Columbia, spent years in India and South Africa, and made an extensive tour through Egypt.

Leaving his native county of Somersetshire, Wales, as a youth, and heir to a substantial fortune, he determined "to see the world." Those who have heard the story of his early life say that in order to obtain control of the legacy referred to it was necessary for him to spend a certain amount on his education. In order to comply with this, and at the same time satisfy his desire for adventure, he employed two tutors, who accompanied him on an extensive tour of the world.

Later on he visited South Africa and spent several years hunting big game. While there he met with many experiences which he delighted to relate to his acquaintances. It is stated that on one occasion he entered into a contract with the government agreeing to kill a specified number of elephants in a certain district, and he fulfilled the contract and killed the specified number every year. He fulfilled the terms of the agreement to the letter and trophies of the chase are still preserved in some of the most numerous relics of his travels.

Leaving South Africa he went to Egypt, and after touring that country left for India. He was one of the best officers of a commission with one of the crack British regiments then stationed in that country. After serving as an officer for several years he again became restless, and resigning his position left for America.

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News was received from Nootka Sound through the arrival of the steamer Queen City Monday night that whilst a family of Indians were securing lumber from the wrecked schooner Kailua on the west coast of Nootka Island, a large Fraser river sloop was lost, and the Indians came near losing their lives as well.

On account of the heavy sea running they had anchored their sloop some distance from the wreck, and were transferring the lumber by means of a canoe.

Whilst the men were at the wreck they heard cries from the woman who was aboard of the sloop, and they saw that the sloop had broken her cable and was drifting on the rocks.

The men being feasted, it was hastened to the rescue of both woman and sloop, but to make matters more serious the canoe capsized, throwing both into the water. After regaining their canoe and starting away from the wreck, the sloop took the woman off. But by this time the sloop had commenced to pound to pieces on the reefs. She broke into pieces about 40 chains east from the wreck, and the Indians were unable to reach her.

The Indians, however, managed to reach shore in safety.

From Quatsino the Queen City brings advice that a large outcrop of ore has been discovered on the N. S. Fractional, one of the group belonging to the Yreka Copper Co. This claim lays right up in the air, about 700 feet above the Comstock workings. The new find crops about the face of the mountain for about 200 feet, and is of a fine quality, and about 50 feet wide. It is good looking ore. The lower wall is well defined, the ore lying on limestone and the upper part being felsitic. It appears to be a well defined lead, a new condition on this property. On standing at the new find and looking almost straight down (as it appears) one sees the Comstock workings, and to the north at least it would seem a huge mistake has been made in the working of this property. They have been operating in the point of commencement.

It was found that the vein has slid off this mountain, and have only just now found the place where it comes from. To an outsider not acquainted with the conditions this would appear impossible, but when one sees the stumps, roots and thick vegetation it is a wonder it is discovered at all.

The new find is owned by Messrs. Powell & Polk Co. have surveyed on the Sound getting ready for work. They have measured the Marble creek power, and found 6,000 horse power in the water. They have also decided yet if the mill will be put at Quatsino City or at Marble Creek bay.

The schooner Otto lay in Winter harbor, and was blown to pieces by a gale for Behring Sea, having secured one more anchor at Quatsino.

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CRUELTY TO ANIMALS. Chinaman Fined for Leaving Harness on His Horses for Several Days.

In the city police court Monday morning, His Honor, Chinaman, was called to answer a charge of cruelty to animals. The action was undertaken at the instigation of the S. P. C. A., E. F. Killo, the secretary, and the case was heard by Judge G. H. in the Chinaman leaving a team of horses belonging to him tied in the market sheds from June 6th to June 9th without taking any food or water. The horses were found by the department, had seen his horses there on the 7th, and had fed and watered them. He had done the same the following day, but he was not seen on the 8th. He did not know that anyone else was attending to the horses.

The excuse offered by the Chinaman was that he was away on his business, and was waiting for the blacksmith to fix his wagon. His horses never lay down, he said, so that there was no cruelty in their remaining starved and thirsty.

The magistrate fined him \$10 or 20 days in jail.

A drunk also appeared and was fined \$5. A vagrant was fined \$50, which was forthwith paid.

WRECKAGE FOUND. Bow of a Schooner Painted Green Seen at St. Joseph's Bay.

The name board of the sealing schooner Tatum, which among other things had given rise to reports about the probable loss of that vessel, arrived from Quatsino on the steamer Queen City Monday night. It is now in the possession of E. B. Marvis & Company, to whom the vessel belonged prior to the formation of the sealing combine. The board had been nailed to the schooner, and could not be accepted as conclusive evidence that the vessel had come to grief.

The Indian who was sent to pick up the board is being forwarded to Victoria on the steamer reports that he found in St. Joseph's bay wreckage resembling the bow of a schooner, and it was painted green.

WILL HEAR AN APPEAL. Stated Case Respecting Trial of Convicted Chinese Will Be Argued on Tuesday Next.

(From Tuesday's Daily.)

The Full court to-day is occupied with the appeal from the decision of the court of revision with respect to the assessment of the Nelson & Fort Sheppard railway. It will probably take the whole day to complete it.

Yesterday afternoon W. J. Taylor, K. C., was allowed to move for leave to take a stated case before the court as an appeal in the Wong On and Wong Goo murder case.

Taylor had a number of points in which he claimed that there were sufficient grounds for argument as to the proceeding. Among these he held that it was the duty of the jury to have gone into the law as to murder, and directed the jury as to the difference between murder and manslaughter. The attempt to prove an alibi did not exempt the trial judge from it. He also objected to the direction given the jury that in arriving at a conclusion they should have had degree of certainty which is exercised in a grave and important concern in their own lives. This Mr. Taylor held was not a proper direction to give.

After considerable argument the court struck out a number of the points, allowing an appeal upon other points to the court. The hearing of the appeal was set for Tuesday next.

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