

BOARD OF ALDERMEN.

The Motion to Cut off the City Engineer's Head Voted Down.

Chief Deasy Exonerated From Blame Relating to Chemical Works Fire.

There were a couple of little scraps in the council meeting last night, one of them a sort of triangular word contest between Ald. Wilson, Bragg and Phillips, and the other was a little contest of wits between the mayor and Ald. Bragg, the worthy alderman wanting to talk on what he called a question of privilege, while the mayor kept requesting him to sit down.

THE BOARD OF HEALTH.

A letter from the Provincial Board of Health called attention to the change in the act which made the city board of health—not the board of aldermen—hitherto, but the mayor, police magistrate, city clerk, city engineer and medical health officer.

Ald. Wilson expressed his disapprobation of the change, and wanted to see the city take steps to have the act amended by the legislature, so as to bring back the old order of things.

A request for the extension of the sewer on Queen street to Mr. J. Ross' property was referred to the sewer committee to report.

A report from Mr. Freece on Mr. Killo's complaint of poor sidewalks was in effect that the trouble was caused by the pipes on the property being clogged with the matter was recommended that the owner of the property be ordered to see to it.

There was some discussion of the grade of the sidewalk in front of Mr. Dickinson's stores at the corner of Douglas and Pandora streets, and the matter was finally left in the hands of the street committee and city engineer.

One of the interesting matters to come up was a report of the fire warden on the letter of the secretary of the fire wardens of last week on the Chemical works fire.

an enormous loss to the insurance companies. In conclusion, gentlemen, permit me to state that the fire above mentioned was the hardest fought and the most successful in many years' service.

In connection with this fire warden's report they had inquired into the complaints contained in Mr. Elliott's letter and recommended that Chief Deasy be censured for his conduct in the matter.

Contracts for electric light supplies were awarded to the Canadian General Electric Co. for \$22,150 each, and to R. B. Mcicking at \$22.50 each.

On recommendation of the special committee were awarded for seventeen constables' suits to Messrs. W. A. and D. F. Sprinkling at \$21.50 each for sergeants' and privates' Messrs. J. T. Burrows & Co. at \$28.50 each; 20 pairs of boots to Jas. Maynard, at \$6 per pair.

The street committee recommended that sidewalks be laid on John street, Grant street and on Yates street, keeping in view the strong possibility of a fire in the latter street.

Ald. Bragg rose to what he called a question of privilege to say that he had heard complaints that the cemetery was a nuisance, to make vaults and do other repairs.

Ald. Phillips' long deferred motion to disperse with the city engineer or the assessor came up and was opposed by Ald. Humphrey, if there had been a direct motion to discharge the city engineer he would understand it, but the motion was not carried.

Ald. Phillips said that the motion came up at a time when the council was over the waterworks question, a question that would always be vexed one out of the present Mayor was in power.

"I was a sufferer from neuralgia in my side, and headache. I followed numerous prescriptions without benefit and was at last induced to try Hood's Pills.

SOUDAN WAREFARE.

The First Mad Led Outbreak and the Causes that Led Up to It.

"Bombah," writing to the London Daily Telegraph, says: "I was sitting one day in December, 1882, on a Nile dahab, at Assuan, when Minchetta, Sheik of the Arab, came to pay me a visit. He was a good type of an Arab gentleman.

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WHAT MR. WHITE SAW.

Reuter's Special Klondike Commissioner's View Plainly of Upper Yukon Conditions.

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YUKON OFFICIAL WAYS.

How They Treated Al Beebe and His Partner Who Tried to Record a Claim.

Al Beebe and his partner Schroeder who brought down \$20,000 from the Seattle proceeds of work on their bench claim on French creek, have a little historical incident to relate showing how official works in the Yukon.

Well Beebe and his partner Schroeder had been prospecting for years in Alaska and the Yukon, never making more than a grab stake.

On the Monday morning back came Schroeder, when judge of his own decision by the authorities at Dawson will perpetrate a worse wrong than ever on the long suffering Klondike.

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TELL THEIR TROUBLES.

Returning Copper River Miners Present the Reverses' Picture of Goldseekers' Dreaming.

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ISLANDER RESUMES HER PLACE ON THE VANCOUVER RUN—THE FLAGSHIP RETURNS.

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POLITICAL.

Sir Charles Hill Views the Situation of Liberalism.

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The Catarrh Clutch

This Disgusting Malady is 1,000 of Our Country's Population.

This is Not Hoax. It is Borne Out by Carefully Compiled Statistics of Diseases Most Prevalent in the Dominion. It is a Dangerous Disease, and Prof. Hays, of the Ontario School of Chemistry and Pharmacy, says: "After an examination made from samples procured from the preparation of Dr. Chase's Catarrh Cure, I am convinced that the same is a genuine and reliable medicine for the cure of the disease."

THE COLUMBIA RIVER SALMON.

Details of the Pack for the Season Just Concluded.

Through the courtesy of Messrs. Taylor, Young & Co., salmon brokers, the following statement of the Columbia River salmon pack for the current year, which totals 88,532, is published. The pack consists of 40,000 cases, each containing 100 lbs. of salmon.

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