## THE MAYOR SENT FOR A CONSTABLE

LIVELY MEETING OF COUNCIL LAST NIGHT

Mayor and Some of the Aldermen at Daggers Drawn-Appealed From Chair's Ruling.

"Mr. Creed, go for a policeman."

trate to the somewhat startled janitor, at the council meeting last night. The resolution of Ald. Yates providing that the opinion of a Supreme court judge be obtained regarding the mayor's action on the bridge question, provoked a single council contributed largely in mayor. "Address me, not the walls, mayor. "Address me, not the walls, the morrow night.

The meeting will be left to firmed by the vote of the ratepayers. It appears to me that the intention of the legislature is to reserve to the Mayor the bridge question, provoked a same right to veto a resolution which the council contributed largely in mayor. "Address me, not the walls, why don't you call me a wire puller? What are your insinuations?"

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The meeti on the bridge question, provoked a storm. It was ruled out of order, and so was its mover when he remonstrated. As he persisted, His Worship requested the alderman to take his seat. Ald. Nates did so and rose again when the mayor gave the janitor the above order.

That worthy, true to the call of duty, proceeded to carry out his instruction, and had the storm not temporarily sub-sided, doubtless the audience and alder-

degislature. The storm was not entirely amexpected. The bridge question had become such a red hot one that it could not be handled without gloves and the reparter, retort and counter retort, between the mayor and Ald. Yates culminated in the above request on the part of this Worship that a constable be called in presumably to quell the refractory councillor. Last night's session was the first for a long time that diplomacy the first for a long time that diplomacy the first for a long time that four winds and

not 30, as reported. Also with reference to the designs. What he said was that the engineer had been instructed to prepare plans and specifications in the

H. Mortimer Lamb, of the B. C. Mining Record informed the council that ing Record, informed the council that they were about to issue a special Christmas mining edition dealing largely with Vancouver Island. He asked the council to subscribe for from 200 to 500 copies and insert a full page advertise- that the city carry out road improve-

ment, for which an appropriation of Referred to the finance committee for \$700 had been made. The work was

Referred to the finance committee for necessary as the streets were almost made. Ald. Yates was proceeding to passable and their condition made it abtract when the mayor said: Dr. Verrinder, submitted a plan showing bow Oak Bay avenue might be extended Ald. Beckwith emphasized the desirathrough Regent Park avenue, which was to this effect.

date.

Petition from Hector Dow and others, asking to have a pipe drain laid on Superior street between Oswego and Menzies streets.

I may say the open ditch in question is not being filled up any further west at present, and in view of this fact I am of opinion it will not be necessary to construct a pipe drain in the above locality.

Convenient from G. E. Wilkerson restricts of the Supreme court. He such is the method in which the spread a pine of the Supreme court. He such is the such strenuous objection to this course. He expressed surprise that the mayor should take such strenuous objection to this course. He then referred to the evils a pipe drain in the above locality. Convenient from G. E. Wilkerson restricts a pipe drain in the above locality.

Ald. Cooley objected to this and asked to the method in which the surpressed surprise that the mayor should take such strenuous objection to this take such strenuous objection to this take such strenuous objection to this course. He expressed surprise that the mayor should the mayor should the such is the method in which the surpressed surprise that the mayor should the mayor should the mayor should the pressed surprise that the mayor should the mayor should the mayor should the mayor should the pressed surprise that the mayor should the mayor

Communication from G. E. Wilkerson reboulevard in front of No. 11 Kane street. I made an examination of the locality in question and see no objection whatever. I would therefore recommend the request be would therefore recommend the request be represent procedure would be more than a present procedure would procedure would gracefully submit. He did not feel, however, that the mayor is action was sustained would gracefully submit. He did not feel, however, that the mayor is action was sustained would gracefully submit. He did not feel, however, that the mayor is action was usually and the procedur

Mrs. C. Brown, asking for a new walk in John street, north side, between Rock

Bay avenue and Bridge street, a distance of 1 ing a public meeting. He believed the 285 feet. Total estimated cost, \$208.

It was taken up seriatum and referred and that a meeting could throw no The city solicitor explained that while o the streets, bridges and sewers com- further light on it.

The city solicitor reported as follows: His Worship the Mayor and Board of He understood, however, that the re-mayor, Mr. Redfern, son

Gentlemen:-With reference to the right of the Mayor to veto resolutions and other it that way," replied the mayor.

law, resolution or proceeding of the council law, resolution or proceeding of the council for reconsideration, as prototic to the council for reconsideration, as prototided by sub-sections a, b, c and d to the said section 12, or which has not been affirmed by the vote of the ratepayers. It

The resolution by Ald, Yates providing the mayor discialments and carried, the mayor discialments and carried, the motion was then put and carried, the Big Six voting for it. The meeting will be held to morrow night.

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Ald, Yates "wrathfully inquired the mayor. "Address me, not the walls, was most graciously received by Her Majesty, it having been previ-

violate the principles of common law ap- consulted the rules of the Legislative plicable to the administration of municipal Assembly of this province, and other affairs, in that there are many acts which authorities, and my reason for this demen would have witnessed the unusual spectacle of one or perhaps half a dozen city, can do or refrain from doing which penditure of public money, without obof Chief Langley's finest, headed by the would have a similar tendency to the ex- serving the formalities required by the janitor, entering the council chamber ercise of the right of veto. On a reconsiderevenue (payments authorization) by-law. for the purpose of preserving the peace. As it was, calmer sentiments prevailed and the janitor was recalled.

Gentle peace certainly did not reign serenely at that meeting. In fact the growth of the word with the meaning of the word veto is in subsection (d) before mentioned, given, namestering at that meeting. In fact the growth of the major, the major that the metion contains redistributions of previous and the major, the major, the major that the major, the major that the motion contains redistributions of the word that the motion contains redistributions of the word that the motion contains redistributions of the word that the motion contains redistributions of the major, the major that the motion contains redistributions of the major that the motion contains redistributions of the major that the motion contains redistributions of the m

white dove fluttered away in the middle of the session frightened by the riot of ever." There is a right to appeal to the another form. I do not therefore read rhetoric which was precipitated in the council given from the Mayor's decision in the motion. historic assembly room of the municipal sections 36, 37 and 38 of the act, but this historic assembly room of the municipal legislature. The storm was not entirely amexpected. The bridge question had be-

that previously in section 12 there is an expression was entirely flung to the four winds, and the mayor and some of the aldermen had many lively set-to's before the motion to adjourn was made.

The resolution by Ald, Brydon asking that a public meeting be called to discuss the bridge question and that by Ald. Wates as just noted were the themes of dispute. The latter was declared out of dispute. The latter was declared out of dispute. The latter was declared out of the first for a long time that diplomacy was entirely flung to the four winds, and taking of the case to the preparation and taking of the case to the Supreme court would involve an expenditure of public money, one of the reasons why he declared it out of order.

Ald. Yates replied that if the case was taken to the court and the mayor's fight to contain the principle upon which this is done is that the Mayor is elected by the electors from the whole of the first four and taking of the case to the preparation and taking of the case to the provided in all the arts necessary for the necture of public money, one of the reasons why he declared it out of order.

Ald. Yates replied that if the case was taken to the court and the mayor's family and the mayor is the preparation and taking of the case to the preparati Wich this is done is that the Mayor is delected by the electors from the whole from His Worship's decision and the resolution put and carried under the chief magistrate's protest.

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Before the proceedings commenced Ald. Beckwith desired to correct a few statements in the press report of his speech at Spring Ridge, where he referred to a spring Ridge and the major is decision and the subject of a draw rules and regulations was in part as follows:

Worship had it in his power to harmon ize the council, and it would not necessitate the expenditure of \$10. The other was R. T. Elliott, who had assured the speaker that His who had assured the speaker that His

J. M. BRADBURN.

quisition had failed.

actments when he so desired. ing to-day for the mayor here intimated that his

Ald Yates-"Are those your reasons?"

The mayor replied that they were. Ald. Yates—"Then how is it that you

ruling had been given and could not be . The deputation is staying at the Do- illtreat and abuse them. Ald. Yates was proceeding to remons

work being done, and moved Ald. Yates-"Yes, Your Worship, I'll Justice Martin, the following applica- cent date, that its success must be known

communication from Messrs. Moore & Communication from Messrs. Moore & Whittington re rock blasting on George advisable.

Ald. Beckwith—"If you come to the avenue. I examined the locality in question and find considerable rock would require to be removed. Estimated cost for blasting and removal of rock, \$520.

The city carpenter reports and recommends as follows: That a new sidewalk be mends as follows: That a new sidewalk be constructed on Turner street, east side, be constructed to Turner street, east side, be constructed on Turner street, east side, be constructed to Turner street, eas

tween Henry and David streets. Estimat- jority of the council were in favor of port of the city engineer regarding the ANNUAL SESSION OF a resolution which would result in the awarding of the contract. The speaker, meeting being called at an earlier date however, pointed out that the city eneacon Hill park. The walk in question is than if in response to a petition which gineer had no other course but to re not needed at present, and I would there | would require some time for presenta- commend in accordance with the plan and specifications. The positions of the Ald. Kinsman could see no use in call- city engineer and city solicitor were Two Busy Meetings Held Yesterday-

> urther light on it.
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> The mayor also said that he was all ground taken by him was right. A ways willing to call a meeting provided he received intimation from the public. Taylor, the city barrister, to the then

"Well, it failed to reach me. I'll put to taking the case into court. that way," replied the mayor.

Ald. Yates here presented His Worhave been asked to give an opinion, I have the honor to report as follows:

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Ald, Yates here presented His Worship, after ship with the guarantee, but the mayor contended that it was not full enough. It was not made out to anyone in par-It was not made out to anyone in parlaw, resolution or proceeding of the council
which has not been returned by the Mayor.

There was another storm in which Ald. ously presented by the advisory president ratepayers have in the case of a money by-law. I have referred to the authorities,

common law the right does not exist, but the express statutory enactment does not of order, and cannot be put. I have be associated with the solicitor in the enaration of the case.

The council then adjourned.

WAITED ON HON. D. M. EBERTS. By Deputation From Nanaimo in

Interests of Miners.

take this case to the court yourself and this afternoon at 3 o'clock.

Women of Canada, manated from the use your own money instead of the rate-Received and filed.

R. A. Brown and other expressmen petitioned that the council amend the Vehicle By-Law so as to permit goods vehicles to stand on Yates street, west of Douglas instead of east of this street. Received and referred to city engineer for report.

B. Deacon and fifteen others resident

Payers'?"

Ald. Yates disputed that it would instill remains in a very unsatisfactory sold in a very unsatisfactory to work by the shutting down of the miners are the Alexandria mine still remains in a very unsatisfactory to work by the shutting down of the miners are thrown out of work by the shutting down of the miners were to be requested to remove their tools on Wednesday or Thursday. This, however, had not been confirmed. The miners are, according to Mr. Bateman, holding a meet
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LEGAL NEWS.

to this effect.

Considerable discussion ensued as to Considerable discussion ensued as the Considerable

In Chambers this morning before Mr.

COUNCIL OF WOMEN

President's and Secretary's Reports and Several Papers Read.

Vesterday in the city hall the seventh annual meeting of the Local Council Personally the speaker had no objection of Women was held, each one of the 21 affiliated societies being represented by three delegates and its president.

The first session opened yesterday

She also mentioned the exhibit of the law. I have referred to the authorities, and cannot find any decision upon the subject either in English or Canadian law, nor can I find that the right is conferred by statute in other provinces of the Dominion or in other British countries. At common law the right does not exist but the subject of the Point Ellice bridge matter was not read at this point, the mayor ruling it out of order. He said: "This notice of motion by Ald. Yates, the terms of which common law the right does not exist but the right does not exist but the society at the meeting of the National Council which was held at the society at the meeting of the National Council which was held at the society at the meeting of the National Council which was held at the society at the meeting of the National Council which was held at the society at the meeting of the National Council which was held at the society at the meeting of the National Council which was held at the society at the meeting of the Sinuations against any member of the sinuations against any member of the sinuations against any member of the solutions, of which the council had the endeavor to ring in.

The motion was then carried.

Ald Yates moved that R T Ellice bridge matter to sinuations against any member of the council. He repeated, however, that there exhibition, of which the council had the management, and stated that Mrs. Mackensian and the council had the council had the measure to the point at the agriculture exhibition against any member of the sinuations against any member of the sinuations against any member of the council had the The motion was then carried.

Ald. Yates moved that R. T. Elliett the society at the meeting of the National Council, which was held at London, Ontario, on May last.

Through the efforts of A. E. McPhil Mayor Hayward—"That motion is out lips, M. P. P., the "Children's Protect of order, Ald. Yates, It requires twentyour hours notice?"

Ald. Yates—"Do you wish to delay Aid Society. The scheme of introduc his matter twenty-four hours?" ing cottage hospitals in some of the out lying districts was before the executive to introduce the by-law providing for the widening of upper Johnson street between Chambers and Camosun. It was weekly half holiday during the hottest weeks in summer. In conclusion Mis-J. G. Galletly, the secretary, said: "We look forward, under God, to a brighter

> The receipts during the year were The afternoon session was opened by the reading of an interesting paper by

tion of affairs at the Alexandria mine ready to take up the suggestion, and in

perhaps be open to bribery, and who cording to Mr. Bateman, holding a meet-could sweep away all the municipal enactments when he so desired.

The limits are, action Ret is a ground for much saussaccould sweep away all the municipal ening to-day for the purpose of discussing rescue the children from those purents who either refuse to care for them, or work before the Children's Aid Society there is a need of workers, who with tact and patience will help to befriend

through Regent Park avenue, which was present a cul de sac. To accomplish this Dr. Verrinder agreed to contribute a triangular piece of his property there. This was referred to the city engineer for report.

W. M. Wilson informed the council that he would hold open his offer for the council it was desirable that the work at Elk Lake to the calculations and that it he referred to the calculations and that it he referred to the calculations are for some property at Elk Lake to the council of some property at Elk Lake to the council of the chair, which was not sustained, the division being as follows:

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The John MacDonald, deceased—W. E. Moresby applied on behalf of official administrator for payment out of processing time and ministrator appointed elsewhere. Application adjourned for further argument.

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The city engineer reported as follows:

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A special meeting of the executive will be held on Friday next at 2.30 to con sider the coming school board election. The mayor, for the use of the meeting

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ness and Loss of SLEEP. Fac Simile Signature of Chatt Fletcher, NEW YORK. At6 months old 35 Doses - 35 Cents and more successful new year.'

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Acting Minister of Mines Interviewed \$68.45, with an expenditure of \$60.05. A deputation consisting of Ralph
Mrs. Chapman on "Education as a Factor for Fitting Our Young People for Smith, M. P., James Bateman and J. H. Life." The writer referred to the lack Smith, M. P., James Bateman and J. H. Hawthornthwaite, M. P. F., arrived in the city from Nanaimo on the noon train for the pupose of interviewing the acting minister of mines in the interests of the miners of Nanaimo, Alexandria the standard of the miners of Nanaimo on the noon train for the pupose of interviewing the standard of the weak spots in our present system of education. She suggested the appointment of the miners of Nanaimo on the noon train for the pupose of interviewing the manual training for girls as one of the weak spots in our present system of education. She suggested the appointment of the miners of Nanaimo, Alexandria the standard of the miners of Nanaimo, Alexandria the standard of the miners of Nanaimo, Alexandria the standard of the miners of Nanaimo, and the standard of the miners of the miners of Nanaimo on the noon train for the pupose of interviewing the standard of the miners of the standard of the miners of the standard of the miners of

the young people of our city.
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of Columbia spoke a few encouraging words.

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MOUNTED RIFLES ON THE WAY TO HALIFAX

roposed Maritime Province College-Forty-Seven Thousand Dollars Will Be Refunded W. J. Connors.

Quebec, Dec. 12.-Fire last night die r thousand dollars damage to Spen ood, the Lieutenant-Governor's resi-

Fatal Row.

dillon Gregoire has been sent to jai await trial on a charge of murder h a fellow employee, Edmund Lanat the Ford mines, and struck hir the head with a hammer, Landry of

For Mounted Rifles. foronto, Dec. 12.—Elever cars of rees were shipped from here to-night Halifax for the use of the Mounted fles, and are declared to be an extra

Gas Reduced. The Toronto city council to-day by a ote of 12 to 10 accepted the proposed greement settling the suit against the las Company for infringing conditions of the charter. Under the settlement the

e of gas will be reduced to 80 cents thousand feet. Ship Building.

Sault Ste. Marie, Ont., Dec. 12.—On disputed authority it is learned that ans for the ship building plant to be ated here by English capital, headed the Furniss syndicate, are now epared and the site chosen. The plant to be the largest on the Great Lakes, owing the construction of four ships the same time.

Two Hundred Volunteers.

Winnipeg, Man., Dec. 12.—About 200 den offered their services for the third ontingent when enlisting opened here oday. The recruiting officer had no inficulty in making a selection, as only 0 are taken from this point. The troops from the West pass through here on aturday morning for Ottawa and Haliax by special train, taking up the Winipeg contingent here.

Convention Closed. Convention Closed.

The Provincial Liberal convention used this evening with the adoption of series of resolutions in line with the beral policy. The Voters' List Reguion Act now in force in Manitoba was gorously condemned. The preparation a platform for the next provincial ntest was left to an executive comtee. No reference was made to provide to the control of the properties of the properties of the provided has been determinent to the properties of the provided has been determined to the pr

A A. Campbell and others Wants Autopsy Held. Montreal, Dec. 12.—Joseph Ernest La laine will executed at Montreal jail o-morrow morning for the murder of firs. Louis Lefebyre, of St. Cunegonde, eplaine has expressed the wish that

show he was insane.

Away Nearly Thirty Years. rts for the annullment of a judgment ated November 27th, 1874, granting aration of bed and board from his c. At the time Charette was absent I judgment was rendered by default. We he claims that it should be annulbecause he was not notified. Charte has been away 27 years.

Murderer Hanged.

Montreal, Dec. 13.—Jos. Laplain was anged at 8 o'clock this morning at lentreal jail for the murder of Mrs. ouis Lefevre, with whom he boarded, in May 16th last. The murder was the sult of jealousy. Unsuccessful efforts are made to have the sentence comited to life imprisonment on the ground at Laplain was insane, but the government refused to interfere.

Departure of Treeparts Murderer Hanged.

Departure of Troopers. All Ontario and Montreal troopers for the 2nd Canadian Mounted Rifles left tere at 10 o'clock this morning for Haliax. The Ontario men were met at the station by Mayor Prefontaine, and along with the Montreal men were bid parting "God-speed" by His Worship as the train pulled out for the East.

A Refund. The harbor commissioners this morning decided to refund W. J. Connors, the ffalo elevator promoter, \$47,000 of the 0,000 which he deposited as evidence good faith when a site was granted in on the harbor front for a million shel elevator, but which he subsequent-Cailed to build, after having broken and, owing to the failure of the dicate to obtain money to carry out

Took Laudanum. lmsby, Ont., Dec. 13.—Geo. Clerk, cears old, took a dose of laudanum erday with fatal effect. He leaves

idow and grown up family. Proposed Amalgamation. Halifax, N. S., Dec. 13.—The gover-ors of King's College, together with reors of King's College, together with reresentatives of every leading college in
he Maritime Provinces, held a meeting,
ehind closed doors, yesterday to discuss
he advisability of the amalgamation of
heir interests and forming a Maritime
Province college, which would compare
with McGill University, Montreal. A
ministee was appointed to look into
he question.

Engineers' Wages, Montreal, Dec. 13.—A committee representing the Canadian Pacific railway notive engineers, has been in con-nce with the officials of the transortation department for the last few ys, discussing the question of the hedule rates of engineers on branch nes, with a view to bringing their tes up to near the wages earned by