down a it came It ill-became him to ss a dompany which was out and which had gone narket to buy the rights

eferred to Dr. McGuire's ent of trade and comestigation into the British Columbia, and ent to have this of the legislature. forwarded to Othad ever been heard as resourceful to a ing records more interest of the mplish any gain, could not suppor ent, which mixed up in a big ques-

Again Evades. the premier had again ter of the ad made in 1903 to the ce at Ottawa got to of British Columbia es got their rights hts from the Dominion Nest Pass Coal Com company nit. That provision was of the people had acquired ment of British Colwhen the legised the matter to the rade and commerce i

for Delta molestly de-ea that he was looking ests of the federal gov-at it needed any help at the late election by as ever, despite the ier McBride and of his l, who had stumped m coast to coast. The Who made this redown the proposition If he listened to all the larger hat than he had no effect on him

ed to place upon that

ething which aid not

ries, but did pertain to

Bride's Scapegoat, Ottawa any jurisdiction "asked Mr. Oliver. "If not the Ottawa govapegoat to carry his of his government he swamped by them not sure but I think gentleman and his en have no opportun

ride insisted that the for the federal governney deal with it?" ask-

ntimated that it could commission and the ment to bring in any gentleman expect the

de and con to find out facts for

e evidence taken as to uth of the line, an in-d be conducted much ral department son did not see why not be as well found I of the mines depart-

rkable Pledge. was not to be moved at the national governuire into such matters oal, and that the govwas right last seson the department of rce to act. Referring given in 1903 the preto operate coal mines government was exp-partner in these oper-atent. The time might

when the province could d John Oliver torted that there were

eas yet untouched. liver country, Kootreplied the premier. ur pledge " Mr. Oliver

no reserve on so far coal lands," Mr. Mc-"We are anxious to ectors to go out and coal mines are not

903," was Mr. Oliver's Not Ripe.

went on to say that tition there would be n getting the equip-a mine, but the time a business standthe plank of 1903. thdrew his motion in views of the House, at he would keep at

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Act amending bill d reading and the bill rors' Act in some parwere intended to Kootenay Railway tending the time for work. was read a

NK DEBENTURES.

-The most importby the railway comwas an act giving the way power to issue vn as "Grand Trunk

## LOCAL CEMENT FOR THE STREETS

HOME INDUSTRIES RECEIVE SUPPORT

City Council Decides in Favor of Tod Creek Product.

(From Tuesday's Daily.)

was awarded to R. P. Rithet & Co., agents for the Vancouver brand, made at Tod Creek. Tenders were called for and while there seemed to be little land most of the members of the council felt like encouraging the home in-The report on the prices from the

city engineer and purchasing agent showed the following prices: R. P. Rithet & Co., lowest price, \$2.51½ per carrel; Robert Ward & Co., lowest price, \$2.65 per barrel; Bostock & Co., barrel delivered at Smith's Hill and \$2.41% per barrel delivered isewhere in the city. There were varions other features with respect to the return of bags and barrels and other details. The report stated that while Bostock & Co.'s tender is the lowest, it is difficult to see how it can be acrom the Old Country and would delay the work of construction for from eight to ten weeks in the very best season of the year. The report further stated that it is more economical to have the cement delivered in sacks

they could do anything else than accept the offer of R. P. Rithet & Co. He would like to call the attention of charged for English cement. He the complaint of the humblest applithought they should get the local prothe local producers to the low prices duct lower. He proposed to accept the price delivered at the work.

Ald. Turner wanted to know if there was a penalty for non-delivery. There had been complaints of delay in delivery. He wanted a clause inserted make it binding that the contract shall be lived up to.
His Worship said this would be done

Ald. Turner said that he understood that Rithet & Co. wanted to supply all none of the cement. He, however, would like to have a clause put in to amount of English cement to carry on a test on a few streets.

Ald. Ross thought the tenders were practically the same. He did not believe in going back on an old firm like Ward & Co. He would like to see the contract divided. Ald. Humber agreed with this. The

prices of the English cement were quite as good as the local. Ald. Turner was in favor of home industry. When the price was the same and there was no difference in

her. Not only did a local industry get the benefit of the contract, but the benefit of the contract, but the carrying trades, steamboat men and removed to Toronto in January, 1905, a slight angle back to Beach drive at other residents of the city got the

benefits.

Beatty, Blackstock & Co. In the same year he was raised to the bench in the should take steps to prevent being held up by the local company. If the local Company of the interrectional company of the interrectional the south side of Beach lane. The plan the south side of Beach lane. The plan the submitted showed the alteration would give an easy curve at San Carlos avenue. The engineer recommended the council to give the proposal favor
(marked No. 1) and further erase from

contract divided. It would be safer to as chairman of the railway commishave a division of the supply after last

year's shortage The motion to have the contract awarded to Rithet & Co. at the lowing vote:

ves-Aldermen Henderson, Mable McKeown, Stewart, Turner and Ray Nays-Aldermen Fullerton, Ross,

Bishop and Humber.

ST. DAVID'S DAY, Supper and Social Entertainment at the Sir William Wallace Hall

on March 1st. At a committee meeting held at the residence of A. Petch, 572 Michigan street, on Monday, it was decided to celebrate St. David's day by having a supper and social entertainment at the Sir William Wallace hall, on Monday evening, March 1st. It was decided that tickets should be sold at \$1 to allow ladies to be able to participate in the evening's enjoyment. Mr. Ringshaw, corner of Yates and Broad streets, will

Tickets can be had from A. Petch, atchmaker, Douglas street, or any nember of the committee, also at the lub cigar store, Government street. he supper will be laid at 8 p.m. sharp. M. J. Morgan will have charge of the al portion of the entertainment and Dr. O. M. Jones has kindly connted to preside.

MUCH FREIGHT COMING.

teamer Keemun Bringing 1,000 Tons From Liverpool Alone, Besides Oriental Goods

Blue Funnel liner Keemun, which to arrive here from Liverpool via Orient on Saturday or Sunday is bringing a large amount of to this port, including one thoustons from Liverpool besides reight which she will have from ong and other Chinese ports. ong the freight is a consignm steel plates for the B. C. Marine mpany, weighing 63 tons, 000 boxes of tin plate for Find-Durham & Bodie for use in maklmon cans. This being the year e big run, a large quantity of tin

bones of an average man's skeleare probably 6 pounds lighter.

CHAIRMAN OF THE RAILROAD COMMISSION

Hon. J. P. Mabee Admirably Fitted by Ability and Legal Training for Position.

The fact that a list of nearly sixty complaints and applications, compris-ing many intricate questions between railroad and patron, between the rights of corporations and the rights of citiens, were disposed of in less than one week by the Dominion board of railway commissioners here, is due, as i generally admitted by those who have nad opportunity of knowing, to the de-The tender for cement for city work | cisiveness, capabilty and fair-mindedness of the chairman, the Hon. J. P. Mabee, says the Winnipeg Free Press. The session just closed was Hon. Mr. Mabee's second visit to Winnipeg as chairman of the railway commission. difference in price between the local He was here with the board for a brief product and that imported from Eng-period in September, but at that time Winnipeg had nothing like the opportunity to size up the man and his methods that it had this time. The results are all in favor of the brilliant

> sically and good to look at. He is wellbuilt, a dark complexion, dark hair, untouched as yet by gray, and he has a strong, kindly face. His voice is deep, clear and resonant and expressing thoughts which invariably are worth hearing, it lends extra force to their delivery. The impression the man leaves with a casual acquaintance is one of power, purpose and a capacity equal to whatever task offers, large or

He is quick to grasp a situation, a point or a problem as the case may be. From coast to coast he travels and he meets some clever lawyers. To him they are all alike. Try as they may than in barrels, especially when a sand in the chairman's eyes. He gets to the basic principle by the shortest Ald. Stewart said he did not see that route and pricks the hot-air bubbles of the shrewdest legal counsel with the demnation, but always ready to hear for red tape methods. His nature is against it. He is a man quick to make up his mind when all the facts are in on both sides, and to render his ruling. He seems to recognize the fact that for years the great railroad companies have, figuratively, walked over the private citizen, bulldozed municipalities and had their own way generally. One by one he is adjusting the com plaints that have long been made in vain and while he metes out full justice to the complainants he is no less

just to the railroads. A significant fact relative to the sitting of the commission here is this: although expressions of admiration for Chairman Mabee's excellent handling of business, his despatch and fairness were often heard, there was not one complaint or shadow of a complaint and even those against whom he had rendered decisions maintained for him re-

spect and sincere regard. Hon. Mr. Mabee is a young man. He is now in his 50th year. He was born November, 1859, at Port Rowan, Ont. quality the local industry should be He was educated in Toronto, where he company could not supply on notice, the city should be able to go somewhere else and charge it to the company.

Ald, Fullerton wanted to see the contract divided. It would be accounted to succeed the late Hon. A. C. Killam to succeed the succeed

Besides being an able jurist Mr. Ma-Ald. Mable thought there had been a lot made out of the shortage of last year. It had been made too much of.

The motion to have the shortage of all kinds.

JURY TAMPERING IN PITTSBURG GRAFT TRIAL

Warrants Issued for Arrests of Ten Persons—Others Implicated.

Pittsburg, Pa., Feb. 15 .- From statements made to-day by District Attorney Wm. A. Blakely and Chief of goner, it is believed that additional arrests for alleged jury tampering will be made before the first of the municipal graft trials begins here to-mor row morning. Warrants have already municipality and the extent to which been issued for ten persons, two of whom were arrested on Saturday night The other men implicated have fled, it

is said, or are in hiding. Evidence is in the possession of the district attorney which, according to that offical, shows that a complete plot was formed to thwart justice in the graft proceedings.

EX-BANK CLERK'S FORGERY.

Toronto, Ont., Feb. 16.-Alex. Mc-Michael, of Pincher Creek, Alberta, formerly a bank clerk, was sentenced o six months' imprisonment yesterday for forgery. He had forged the name of a bank clerk here to a cheque which he got cashed.

REV. A. CAMPBELL DEAD. Toronto, Ont., Feb. 16.-Rev. Alex. Campbell, retired Methodist minister, died at his residence on Simcoe street yesterday of heart failure, aged 77 years. He has filled a number of pulpits in Ontario and Quebec during his ministry.

SNOW BLOCKADE IN COLORADO.

Durango, Colo., Feb. 16.-The first Denver & Rio Grande train from Denver to enter this city in eight days arrived at 2 o'clock this morning long snow blockade on at Cumbers Hill being broken yesterday afternoon. It is not probable that the blockade in o pounds. Those of a woman Amias canyon will be broken for sev eral days

WATER BOARD FOR DISTRICT

PROPOSITION IN LINE WITH BRITISH PRACTICE

Councillor Oliver, of Oak Bay, **Puts Forward New** Plan.

At the meeting of the Oak Bay counil on Monday Councillor Oliver put forth a new view of the water question as it affects Victoria and the surrounding districts. Councillor Oliver while in the old land was not idle apparently, but went fully into the question water administration there. He has returned with the fullest information on the subject, and copies of the statutes and regulations have been brought back by him. Councillor Oliver proposes to ask the government to dopt the system in vogue in England, where a board of control takes authority over a whole district and apportions to all requiring water its share, going on the principle that none shall be denied water.

Councillor Oliver last evening made a verbal report on behalf of the water committee that it had been decided to act in conjunction with representatives 2), and received the communication of the Saanich municipality in the mat- (marked No. 3.) ter. The two bodies had held a conference, and it was decided to ask the provincial government to place the contwenty-mile radius in the hands of a they consider themselves possessed of water board, on which each district supreme authority and unbridled power,

From the report of the roads, bridges, sewers and building committee it was and so cannot and must not be allowed learned that the B. C. Electric Comboundary of the show grounds, and and Cedar Hill parks, thence through the grounds to a point The obligations and opposite the exhibition road and along that thoroughfare to the commencement at Cadboro Bay road. The Oak Bay loop will be constructed along

Newport avenue through block M, section 23, map 368, to Saratoga avenue.
The council decided that the thirty days' notice required by the statute would be waived when the final plans have been certified by the engineer. The same committee recommended that accounts for \$451 be submitted to the finance committee and then paid.

R. Fowler, the municipal engineer, made a report on the proposed deviation of Beach drive through F. M. Rat still makes his home, and was called tenbury's property. He recommended to the bar in 1883. He practised at an exchange proposed, to continue tenbury's property. He recommended removed to Toronto in January, 1905, a slight angle back to Beach drive at addition to the fact that it is a distinct and became a member of the firm of the south side of Beach lane. The plan

owners of the Uplands estate wanted the assessment to stand as at presen for ten years. It was resolved that the owners, Messrs. Oldfield, Kirby and To the Honorable the Mayor and Coun Gardiner have an agreement drawn up cil of the City of Victoria: which, when signed, could be ratified

The municipal constable reported been unlawfully erected in Beacon Hill having been called by 'phone on the park, 11th instant to the residence of Mrs. Your petitioner therefore prays that from injuries which it was understood had been inflicted on her by a man. As cause the building to be immediately she declined to make a charge, no removed from Beacon Hill park, and action had been taken. On the motion your petitioner will ever pray, etc. of Councillor Noble the matter went to the streets committee, as he had some-

ommittee. was ordered to take the usual course On the request of Councillor Oliver the engineer will make two weekly reports on the work in progress in the each amount of work has progressed. Councillor Newton made a motion which was carried, that tenders for the year's supplies be received at once, ac cording to a list to be prepared and certified to; all tenders to be annual with the exception of feed, which is t be monthly. The annual loan and other by-laws were put through their final

stages and passed. The municipal clerk informed the ouncil, in reply to an enquiry, that the Bank of British North America had agreed to take all unsold deben tures at one per cent. less than the figure asked by the council. The council's figures are \$97 and \$98 and the offer provides for \$96 and \$97

An alteration in the time of meeting of the roads, sewers and bridges com mittee was agreed to from 2.30 Friday as in the past to 10 a. m. the same day.

G. T. R. ROLLING STOCK.

Montreal, Que., Feb. 16.-The Grand Trunk Pacific railway has placed so far this year orders for fifty new passenger cars, including ten colonist, five parlor, sixteen first-class, eight sleep ers, sight second-class and three dining cars. The new equipment will b placed in service this summer between Port Arthur and Edmonton.

DISPUTES POWERS OF PARKS BOARD

Hon. J. S. Helmcken on Constitutional Question Respecting Beacon Hill.

Hon. J. S. Helmcken takes exception to the powers delegated to the parks board in administering the Beacon Hill and Cedar Hill parks, which were handed over to the council. He infers in a letter written to the city council Monday that the council cannot delegate any powers it has in adminabout the Bowling Club. Mr. Helmcken sent the following letters to the council:

Victoria, B. C., Feb. 8. The Honorable the Mayor and Council of the City of Victoria, Trustees of Beacon Hill Parks: Gentlemen: On the 22nd of January

ult., your petitioner, the undersigned sent to your honorable body the petition (marked No. 1). Your honorable body referred the petition to the parks board commissioners, who really had no lawful power to deal with the matter. Your petitioner asked the board of park commissioners for information

Your petitioner having learned from good authority that the board of park commissioners do not report to your trol of all the water supply within a honorable body on matters over which included in the area would have sep- thus constituting themselves arbitrary arate representation. The two muni- governors of Beacon Hill (and Cedar cipalities had also agreed that the authorities be asked to take some trust, your petitioner maintains that action making it obligatory on the city the city by-law 315 is unlawful in so of Victoria to extend the benefits of its far as it relates to Beacon Hill (and service to all districts within a twenty-mile radius.

Cedar Hill) parks. Your petitioner maintains that the board of park commissioners do not lawfully possess

pany has arranged for the formation lawful power over Beacon Hill park.
of two loop lines at the termini at Your petitioner therefore respectfully will be put in for the same purpose as those in the city so that the new cars can make the return to the city so that the new consideration and neave for cars can make the return to town with-out transferring the trolley. The committee reported that A. T. Goward had power of the irresponsible board of waited on the members with plans park commissioner over Beacon Hill showing the extension of the line at willows from Cadboro Bay road along the by-law No. 513 passed June 10th. Empress and Third streets to the 1907, all parts relating to Beacon Hill

The obligations and duties of the trustees of Beacon Hill and Cedar Hill parks, are legally and compulsorily imposed on the office of the mayor and council of the city of Victoria, and are continuous and perpetual and cannot be

renounced by a city by-law.
Your petitioner humbly and respectfully submits that the mayor and coun-

the by-law 513, all parts relating to Beacon Hill (and Cedar Hill) parks. And your petitioner will ever pray,

J. S. HELMCKEN. One of the Public

Victoria, B. C., Feb. 15th, 1909. Since my petition to your honorabl by the legislature by means of a body, dated January 2nd ult., a com-special act. body, dated January 2nd ult., a com-modious club-house about 30 x 20, has

coburn, whom he had found suffering your honorable body will at once exercise its official authority and duty, and

J. S. HELMCKEN P. S.-Petitioner has good reason t thing to state regarding the affair in believe that the land on which the club house rests is a portion of the park Twelve property owners on the north set aside by statute for the game of side of Oak Bay avenue between Foul Bay and Hampshire roads petitioned in the resolution No. 3, and further, the County Detectives George H. Wag- for a permanent sidewalk. The matter game of "bowls" is not mentioned in

section 4 of the by-law 521. Ald. Stewart did not see that the towling green would do any harm. It convened by the trustees of the Emwas an innocent game. The park was manuel Baptist church, the proposals

Ald Raymond feared that other clubs not know where it might end. Ald. McKeown did not know who the desired permission."

gave permission for this Ald. Turner said the parks board as point out that we are the owners in he had understood had given permistrust of the most valuable building in sion for the club to build a small the immediate vicinity, the value of the work since last autumn. A smaller far is the Agnes G. Donahue, in comstructure. It was doing no harm. If building and ground being about \$16,000; force is engaged on the smaller adjoin- mand of Captain Rupert Balcom, a it did they could be ordered to move. that we erected the building as a ing property. Both properties are trav-Until there was some objectionable church and school before there had feature it would be absurd to stop the been much sand and gravel taken from two and a half to eight this city. This vessel has taken 4,020 ersed by the same vein which varies in skins during the season, 320 of which

there was any harm being done. The gradual disfigurement of the surroundonly thing was it might be a dangerous ing property in the hope that some precedent to establish

dications were made for pavilions it with in good time. ould not hurt to allow them. table was carried.

WINNIPEG'S MEANEST MAN. Winnipeg, Man., Feb. 16.-Charles

NO GRAVEL FROM SPRING RIDGE

RESIDENTS PROTEST AGAINST BUNKERS

Strong Delegation From That District Airs Its Grievances.

Residents of Spring Ridge are again istering these parks. The city council in arms metaphorically speaking will take no action in the complaint against a threatened invasion of that district by John Haggerty and by the Lineham Sand & Gravel Company. Before the council sat in open session Monday a strong delegation from Spring Ridge waited upon the members as in the committee room and presented their view on the questions.

> Later in the evening in the council contract with the city to get gravel from Spring Ridge was refused.

Occasion was taken while the delegation was present to urge the settlement of the whole Spring Ridge nuisance by adopting a scheme of general improvement.

concerning certain matters (marked No. The location of the pound was also objected to. J. Brown acted as the introducer of the delegation. He objected to the bunkers on Gladstone avenue. A great deal of damage had already

been done there. Ex-Ald. Gleason outlined the object tions. The crossing proposed to be put in would be a menace in the district, and also tend to lessen the value of property there. The residents were opposed to it. The deputation he objected also to the city entering into any contract with any one taking material from Spring Ridge,

W. Marchant said he had sent a comnunication to the council, which was as follows: To His Worship the Mayor and Board

of Aldermen: Dear Sirs,-I have acquired some property at the corner of Vining street and Fernwood road, which is contiguous to, the site where the Lineham

renounced by a city by-few.

Your petitioner humbly and respectfully submits that the mayor and council co-trustees have not any inherent
power to divest its official self of the
duties and responsibilities of the office
and cannot by self-will and self-made
by-laws deprive themselves of, avoid
or evade or transfer them.

The transfer of the duties and obligations of the trustees of Beacon Hill
park to the board of park commission
district.

Fernwood road bids fair to become
one of the best-frequented streets of
the city of the city this year consume
one of the best-frequented streets of
the city commencing as it does, at
though to Oaklands. It is, therefore,
wery desirable that good residences
with pleasant gardens surrounding
them should be erected rather than
houses of a poorer description. I would,
therefore, respectfully ask you not to
garden to become
one of the best-frequented streets of
the city, commencing as it does, at
Dunsmuir Castle, and running clear
through to Oaklands. It is, therefore,
wery desirable that good residences
with pleasant gardens surrounding
taken from the above streets would probably amount to from \$1,500 to \$2,000,
which, with the above \$4,000, would
amount to a good saving for the city. He
pointed out that as a matter of fact the
reactions of prayel it will make a savting of \$4,000 by the above agreement as he
was making a difference of 20c. per yard
between the prices in the original contract
made in his latest proposition. Mr. Hagservice, which will be made in order to
cope with the growing business with
the northern coast of British Columbia
and with Alaska. The present schedule
of the standard the city this year consume
the city commencing as it does, at
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to gravel it will make a savting of \$4,000 by the above agreement as he
the city commencing as it does, at
the city the district. the trustees of beacon fill park to the board of park commission-crs by a by-law is an unwarrantable and unlawful attempt to avoid and evade unlawful attempt to avoid and evade the building as the building of the building

Permit me also to point out that the sand pit nuisance has been a chronic grievance to the residents of Spring Ridge for many years past, and successive councils have endeavored to grapple with it. There are many difficulties connected with this question which you cannot avoid or solve, but much of the grievances complained of could be greatly minimized at the present time.

He thought that there was something queer when Mr. Haggerty asked \$1.20 a great deal, but there will be a general quickezing up of the service, which will make it possible to do a good deal more business than at present. This little had been agreeable to take a contract for getting gravel somewhere else. This letter had now come along, and it would be better to call for new tenders.

Ald. Stewart felt that no more gravel somewhere is to take the Vancouver-Nanaimo run in

sent time I would, therefore, ask the city coun-First-Decline at once to allow the

Lineham Sand & Gravel Company to STAMP MILL FOR crect bunkers, or to build a railway siding. Second-To appoint a small commit tee of your body, who with the city engineer and street superintendent should meet a committee of the property owners for the purpose of trying Order for Machinery Has Been to remove some of the grievances com plained of. If your body will do this and notify me of your action I will

make necessary arrangements for such a meeting. Your obedient Servant, W. MARCHANT. He also represented the Emmanuel Baptist church also in protesting against it in the following resolution

To the Mayor and City Council: Gentlemen: At a special meeting

"Resolved, that we strongly protest might ask to put up buildings, and the against the erection of bunkers on the a high percentage of recovery of the park would soon be covered. He did property named, and would respectful- values in connection with the use of a ly request the city council not to grant | Wilfley table.

the sand pits and we have borne hith-Ald. McKeown said he did not say erto without complaint the steady but general measure looking to the restora-Ald. Fullerton said if a thousand ap- tion of the district would be proceeded

We submit, therefore, that the erec The motion to lay the letter on the tion of the proposed bunkers would be able was carried. and that the tramway siding would add to the dangers incident to any rail-

way crossing the public streets.

We have over 100 children attending Parker, who on Janaury 2nd broke into our church and school, whilst similar the jewelry store of Charles P. Sterling numbers attend the Presbyterian and & Co., and stole four gold watches and Methodist schools. There are about 200 a few days ago threw a brick through children of tender age attending the

We beg, therefore, to humbly request water it sinks.

of the company. Signed on behalf of the trustees.

GEO. F. WAITES,

The Lineham Company proposed to other disfigurement. This would be a detriment in itself.

Besides this, there was danger to Sab bath school children and public school pupils if this crossing of the street was pupils if this crossing of the street was allowed. If bunkers were proposed to be erected on Rockland avenue there would be an outcry that would effectually prevent the erection of the bunkers there. There was a large quantity of gravel on the streets that could be removed and would improve the city. This was something that should be dealt with. At a former period there had been a reduction in the assessment owing to the depreciation of values by this disfigurement.

(From Tuesday's Daily.)

The city council will not at present call in a committee of citizens to assist in the water question. This plan was proposed by Ald. Turner at last evening's sitting of the council, but found only four supporters.

Ald, Turner moved as follows: "That the following gestlement. tion of values by this disfigurement.

council before anything was done. He did not know that there was any move to do what was feared. He personally had always voted against taking a yard of gravel from Spring Ridge. He was opposed to the erection of any bunkers such as proposed in any residential section. If bunkers were to be built they should be in the business section. He did not think the deputation had anything to fear.

To the best method of obtaining an ample and a permanent water supply for the city: J. H. McGregor, G. H. Tripp, E. Wilmott, J. Rebbeck, Col. E. G. Prior, D. R. Ker, Simon Leiser, H. G. Wilson, M. B. Carlin, H. B. Thomson, A. C. Flumerfelt, T. W. Paterson, F. B. Pemberton, R. L. Drury, R. H. Swinerton, J. S. H. Matson, John Nelson, W. Blakemore, Albert F. Grif-

Later in the evening in the council fear.

chamber the subject of Mr. Haggerty's Mr. Brown, speaking for the residents, fiths, George Coldwell, William McKay expressed the wish that the council would and F. W. Vincent.' and F. W. vincent.' In support of the disgraceful position in Spring Ridge. The residents would help in every way possible to remove an eyesore. Water lay there all winter until dried up in the sum-

> assure them something would be done. Zens, If there were two or three He had already asked the city solicitor to look into the matter and see if something could not be done. thing could not be done. aldermen for the assurances, and

uncil withdrew to go into regular ses Thereupon the residents of Spring Ridge went into conference, and as a result of it, later in the evening, a resolution was presented to the council com-plaining of the location of the pound. The resolution was referred to the health and morals committee, some of the

aldermen expressing the wish that the residents could inform the council of the right place for it. At the council meeting a letter from Mr. Haggery was read. This followed his Mr. Haggery was read. This followed his agreeing to enter into a contract to supply the city with gravel taken from another source than Spring Ridge. He stated that since signing the contract with the city he had found that the parties from whom he had intended securing the sand and gravel are unwilling to sell to him in such a manner and at such a should be given, the legislating groups. it to him in such a manner and at such a price as to make it possible for him to buy from them. He therefore offered to Sand & Gravel Company propose building a railway siding and erecting bunkers. It was my intention to make some improvements upon this property, directly the local improvement work of the directly the local improvement work contemplated by your honorable body upon Fernwood was completed.

per cubic yard in a radius from Spring Ridge to the post office. He would also upon Fernwood was completed.

per cubic yard in a radius from Spring Ridge to the post office. He would also upon Fernwood was completed. Permit me to point out that the erection of bunkers adjoining this property wood road to a grade which may be given

give a satisfactory bond to insure the permit for the building of the bunkers nor to permit the use of the street for a railway siding.

Yet been definitely settled. One thing future date to supply private customers.

Ald. Fullerton proposed to inform the writer the offer would not be accepted. the Princess May will after this make He thought that there was something three trips a month instead of two as

should be taken from Spring Ridge. It was decided to inform Mr. Haggerty

his request could not be complied with. MORESBY ISLAND

Placed in Germany.

Vancouver, Feb. 15.-Recent development of free-milling gold claims in the vicinity of Gold Harbor on the west coast of Moresby Island in the Queen Charlotte group, has proved so satisfactory that the Nuba and Early Bird Mining Companies will jointly install a open to football players, etc. He felt the letter should be laid on the table erect bunkers upon adjoining property and the writer informed that the county to our church, were carefully considercil did not intend to take any further ed, and the following resolution was in action, is said to be capable of treating 30 tons of rock daily and to secure

The Nuba company owns fifty-four In support of the resolution we would claims near Gold Harbor. Twenty men catches of seals are being made. The width from two and a half to eight were landed and the others, 8,700 in all, feet. The ledge has an enriched portion eighteen inches wide, giving, it is as- vessel is owned locally, and the receipt serted, high values. A recent shipment of the run of the vein treated at the after the poor catches made by vessels smelter is also said to have running out of this port.

netted \$150 per ton. Recent arrivals from the islands the same waters is the Beatrice ought news that an English syndicate Kelley have completed the survey of a hue roposed fifteen miles railway from the Skidgate.

One of the natural curiosities of South Platinum is obtained principally from the Ural mountains and California. In its pure state, it is a soft whitish metal, much resembling silver. It melts only at a very high temperature, does not oxidize when exposed to the atmosphere, and is nonliterative.

that you do not entertain the proposals CITY COUNCIL REJECTS WATER COMMITTEE

erect bunkers going further than any Ald. Turner's Motion Lost at Last Night's Meet-

the following gentlemen be asked to Mayor Hall said the matter would re- act as an advisory committee to conceive very grave consideration by the council before anything was done. He did to the best method of obtaining an

In support of the motion Ald. Turner said this was not for the purpose of furthering any scheme for water supply in this city. There were sevmer, when excavations began anew.

His Worship said he thought he could get all the advice possible from citieral schemes. He thought it wise to possible. He did not propose to shirk The delegation thanked the Mayor and his responsibility in the matter The motion was lost on the following

Ayes-Aldermen Raymond, Humber, Bishop and Turner. Nays-Aldermen Fullerton, Hender-

son, Mable, McKeown, Stewart and Ald. Turner thought the mayor should vote.

His Worship said that he would at present vote no. Until legislation was got it was not necessary to appoint

COASTING BUSINESS STEADILY INCREASING

Princess May Will Make Three Trips a Month-Other Changes.

take the Vancouver-Nanaimo run in place of the Joan, which will then take

her annual overhaul at Esquimalt. Princess Ena has just made a trip to Vancouver with 700 tons of herring for shipment on the Glenfarg, which is now due to leave for the Orient. The Ena has since left for the north with a quantity of heavy mill machinery for Alert Bay, including a very large planng mill. The goods came overland by rail to Vancouver. The Ena is also taking a large quantity of bricks and lime to the pulp mills at Swanson Bay. When she has discharged her cargo she will cross to the Queen Charlottes, where she will load ore at Ikeda Bay for the Ladysmith smelter. From this on the Princess Ena will be kept busy

BIG CATCHES OF SEALS IN SOUTHERN SEAS

all the time.

Two Vessels Owned in This City Have Successful Season.

The eyes of all sealers are now turned to the South polar seas, where big brother of Captain Sprott Balcom, having been taken since that time. This of the news proved very satisfactory

Another vessel which is operating in the same waters is the Beatrice La Corkum, owned by A. J. Bechtel, of romoted by a Seattle man, is busy this city. She reported having 1,000 amond-drilling its coal claims on Gra- pelts on December 20th, when she partham Island. Engineers in charge of J. ed company with the Agnes G. Dona-Captain Grant, of the sealing com-

coal basin to Charlotte City on the pany, yesterday stated that a number of vessels in which he is interested vould leave Halifax next season the southern sealing grounds, but that it was not the intention to send any vessels round from here.

-Two drunks paid \$6 each into the municipal treasury this morning, hav-