

Re-Opening an Old Question

Craigflower Road Again the Subject of a Petition to the Council.

City Fathers Incensed Over Legislature's Failure to Pass Municipal Act.

The Craigflower road question made its reappearance at the council's of the city fathers last night, when a petition was presented from a number of ratepayers asking that the city should proceed to have the road widened...

The secretary of the department of Indian Affairs, Ottawa, in response to the council's representations, wrote to say that the department is in communication with the Indian agent at Victoria in reference to the removal of the Indians from Victoria. Received and filed.

Mr. Helmecken wrote explaining that owing to pressure of business on the last evening of the session the municipal bill had not been laid over till the next sitting of the House. He expressed his regret that the labors of the committee had proved abortive.

Ald. Beckwith thought the city had been unfairly dealt with. The city work had been hung up by the legislature's action. He thought the city members, with the possible exception of Mr. Helmecken, were open to censure for failing to press it.

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work should, therefore, if carried out, be done under the Local Improvement by-law, and not paid for out of the general revenue.

Ald. Beckwith asked if the time had come for an appeal from the decision of Mr. Justice Walkem.

The city solicitor answered that it had and no appeal had been taken.

The petition was laid on the table. W. Whittaker and eleven barber shop proprietors asked that the by-law closing barber shops on Sunday be amended to include bath houses.

The city solicitor expressed the opinion that the insertion of the clause would invalidate the by-law. The petitioners will be so advised.

The park committee recommended the establishment of two sets of steps to the beach at South Turner and Cook streets, and that additional seats be installed in the park. Carried.

The streets committee recommended the acceptance of the offer by P. Hensson for the delivery of gravel at \$1.10 per cubic yard at any part of the city.

Ald. Brydon urged that the city acquire gravel pits of its own.

The report was adopted. The Home committee recommended the admission of George Thompson to that institution. Carried.

The council went into committee of the whole on the School by-law, with the mayor in the chair. Progress was reported. The council then adjourned.

PROGRAMME ALTERED. Baseball Match to Take Place on Friday and Naval and Military Sports on Saturday.

The sports committee in connection with the forthcoming celebration met at the city hall last night. It was found that the baseball match between Vancouver and Victoria, which was arranged for Saturday morning, would have to be brought off on Friday, as it is already provided for on that date under the league schedule.

The programme of the programme which this change would create will be filled by bringing off the naval and military sports on Saturday forenoon. An appropriation will be asked from the finance committee for this purpose, the amount being looked after by a committee consisting of Chief Deasy and Messrs. O'Dell, Wheeler and Moresby.

The programme of events as drafted last night will be as follows: 100 yards flat race; 100 yards three-legged race; 25 yards Victoria cross race; quarter mile race; wheelbarrow race; 50 yards mop and pail contest; tug-of-war, soldiers vs. sailors.

The sub-committee on children's sports submitted the following outline of rules to govern in the drill contest: Squad to be composed of boys attending at any school in the city, either private or public; members of companies must have been in actual attendance at school during 30 days previous to the contest; squads to be composed of not less than 32, nor more than 44 (even numbers) exclusive of three officers; actual contest as follows: 1—Sizing companies; 2—Fencing; 3—Right and left; 4—Marching in fours, advancing and retiring; 5—Front form, rear form; 6—Marching in line, advancing and retiring; 7—Right and left form; captains of companies to drill companies; prizes, first value, \$30; second, \$20.

The programme for the children's sports was also submitted, it being arranged that prizes should be distributed at the city hall on the Tuesday evening following the celebration. The sports will be as follows: Boys—Boot and shoe race, open to all comers; bicycle race, open to all; foot races, boys under 8, 100 yards; under 11, 150 yards; under 14, 200 yards; under 16, 300 yards. Girls, under 8, 75 yards; under 11, 100 yards; under 14, 125 yards; and under 16, 150 yards. In all events the prizes will be first value, \$2.50; second, \$1.50; and third, \$1. The officers are: Judges, Messrs. D. Tait, C. L. Brown and R. Simpson; starters, L. Tait and another referee, A. B. McNeill; and secretary, Arthur Wheeler.

The committee also approved of the proposal to have a cricket match between Nanaimo and the Fifth Regiment team on Saturday morning.

RIFLE SHOOTING. Programme of Matches Which Are to Take Place on Saturday.

The rifle shoot to take place next Saturday will be open to all comers. The matches will commence at 9 a. m. sharp, and the competitors will provide their own ammunition. The range will be 200, 300 and 600 yards, and seven shots will be allowed at each range. Any rifle having open sights may be used, the position at the 200-yard range being kneeling and at other ranges prone. The matches will be conducted under D. R. A. rules. Eight targets will be used, and the entrance fee will be 5c. and challenges 25c. The shoot will be conducted under the superintendence of Capt. McCannan, Lieut. Currie, Q. M. Sgt. Winsky, Co. Sergt.-Major Lettice, and the secretary, Bomb J. Carvin.

Competing Canines

Nearly Two Hundred and Fifty Dogs Entered in Bench Show.

Some New Classes from Washington State—An Expert As Judge.

The first annual kennel show of the Vancouver Island Kennel Club opened this morning in the Philharmonic hall.

The exhibition, while the first given by this association, is really a continuation of the series inaugurated last year by the Victoria Kennel Club, which has since been reorganized under the newer name.

The officials of the club were early astir this morning getting the exhibiting dogs ready for the show. A few of the animals had been brought in last night, but the bulk of them were put in position between the hours of 9 and 12 o'clock this forenoon.

The fullest class is that of the cockers, including two sub-divisions, the blacks and "other than blacks." In this class there are no less than fifty entries. The English setter class is a strong one, in which 37 dogs have been entered.

Two new types of dogs are seen this year, most of them from Washington state. One of the retrievers, the Chesapeake Bay dog, three of whom are from Washington state, and the other the property of Manager Upper, of the Western Union Co. These animals are of the retriever class, Scotch and Irish. She is also showing one of her Great Danes.

Mrs. L. M. D. D. D. of Saanich, is again a prominent exhibitor, showing a pair of English setters, Scotch and Irish. She is also showing one of her Great Danes.

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Charles Minor's champion setter, Roy Minor, after his five days' rest from the exhaustion of his 4,000 mile continental tour, is back in his kennel, prepared to do battle for his honors with Bushfield, or any other animal that the American visitors are prepared to put up against him.

There was a little delay this morning in getting the Seattle canines in position for the show, but the show was opened at 10 o'clock. The show is being held at the city hall, and is being held in the afternoon.

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VOYAGE OF ADVENTURE.

Little Four-Ton Yacht Pelican Starts on Trip Round the World.

At 7 o'clock this morning, amidst the cheers and farewells of a small party ashore, the little yacht Pelican took her departure on a round-the-world voyage, which for daring and adventure has few equals in the history of sailing.

The Pelican is but forty feet long and six feet beam. Yet in this fragile and diminutive craft, which a few men could walk off with on land, two Victorians have declared their intention of visiting the remote corners of the earth in and landing in London a year hence.

The adventurers are J. C. Voss, formerly proprietor of the Victoria and Queen's hotels, who has already won fame for himself for attempting the expedition in the sloop Nora, and Norman K. Luton, a newspaper man, who has lately been identified with the publication of "In Black and White," and more recently with the compilation of a directory.

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SUNDAY SCHOOL WORK.

Some of the Results of Mr. Meigs' Trip Through This District.

The visit of Mr. Meigs, the energetic Sunday school worker, has roused the local Sunday schools and they are now setting to work with renewed energy.

He gave a very instructive and original address at the Calvary Baptist church, and some of the plans for the more extensive operation of Sunday schools as outlined by him are being put in force by the local schools.

Mr. Meigs' trip to Nanaimo had the same result, and there is now a branch of the International Sunday School Association at that city.

Yesterday he was in Vancouver, and with the assistance of H. J. Knott organized another branch of the association in that city.

The Nanaimo organization will include the district from Duncan to Cumberland, while the Vancouver branch will cover all the Vancouver electoral district.

It is the intention to organize a similar branch at New Westminster after which arrangements will be made to hold a provincial convention at some central point in the province.

In explanation of the work which these branch associations propose to perform, a member stated that there were four vice-presidents to every organization, and each vice-president had charge of a separate department of work.

One of the classes is the normal work for the purpose of preparing pupils for teaching. Other departments are those of home work, house to house visitation, and the cradle roll. The first is for the purpose of coming in touch with all the children of the neighborhood and getting them to take an interest in Sunday school work.

The work of the house to house department is to practically take a census of the children eligible for Sunday effort and to interest them in the schools. The cradle roll department is, however, perhaps the most interesting. A committee is appointed to go from house to house and get the names of those children who are not able to attend school.

When a complete list is obtained the children will be kept track of and a present sent to them on their birthdays.

Thus they will be taught to take an interest in the work of the Sunday school from early childhood, and the already expanding influence of the Sunday school will be immeasurably increased.

LIET FELL SAFE. He Sends a Letter to Mrs. Fall Contradicting Stories of His Death.

The news published in the Times some time ago on the authority of returned members of Strathcona's Horse to the effect that Lieut. Fall, formerly of Dunsmuir's, had been killed in active service in South Africa, fortunately proves to be unfounded.

Mrs. Fall has just received a letter from him dated Vryheid, April 16th, in which he states he is in the best of health.

The error was doubtless due to the fact that another member of Strathcona's, Lieut. Fall, was killed, and to the consequent confusion in the two names.

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