

General Routine

Postponed Meeting of the Board of Trade Council This Morning.

Good Attendance, and Subjects of Ordinary Interest Were Dealt With.

A meeting of the council of the Board of Trade was held this morning, commencing at 11 o'clock, those present being as follows: Chairman, L. G. McQuade, and Messrs. D. R. Ker, J. J. Shalleross, Jas. Thomson, C. A. Hollander, Capt. Cox, Thos. Patterson, Chas. Todd, Simon Leiser, F. C. Davidge, and Secretary Elworthy.

After the ordinary formalities, the chairman urged upon the council the importance of deciding whether the meeting should be held in the daytime or evening.

After some discussion it was decided to meet hereafter at 11 o'clock in the morning.

A communication was received from the Acting Minister of Public Works, whose name was illegible, notifying the board of the department's intention to transfer the dredger at work in the Nanaimo harbor, to undertake the dredging operations to be instituted in Victoria harbor. Received and filed.

The secretary directed the attention of the council to the fact that no reply had been received from the Ottawa authorities to the communication written by D. R. Ker, and forwarded to them some time ago, regarding harbor improvements.

In explanation Mr. Ker pointed out that an elaborate scheme in this respect would be futile. Between Shoal Point and the lighthouse there was a shallow portion, and the speaker mentioned several other sections of the harbor as well, which would require dredging. It had suggested itself to him as a common-sense view that dredging to the extent of say 13 feet be asked for first, and then further urgent representations, until a depth of 18 or 19 feet had been secured.

Capt. Cox remarked that in the channel between the points mentioned by Mr. Ker there was a twelve foot spot.

The chairman advised referring the matter to the navigation committee to outline a definite plan of what was wanted.

In connection with this view Mr. Shalleross pointed out the absolute necessity of arriving at some definite unanimous conclusion. If 13 feet of water was asked for and 15 some other time, the authorities would reply that the board did not know what they wanted. In connection with this matter he would suggest to the navigation committee the desirability of instituting coal bunkers at the outer wharf.

The speaker moved, seconded by Mr. Holland, that the subject of harbor improvements be referred to the navigation committee for full report, to be considered at a general meeting at the earliest possible opportunity.

The clerk of the City Council wrote acknowledging the communication of the board regarding the public meeting held by them to discuss the project of railway to the north of the Island. Received and filed.

The department of trade and commerce also acknowledged a communication from the board regarding navigation matters discussed by them at their last meeting. Received and filed.

Hon. J. S. Yates wrote acknowledging the receipt of the petition bearing the board's endorsement, regarding improvements in communication service on the West Coast of Vancouver Island. The writer stated that the matter would receive the consideration of the government. Received and filed.

The Vancouver Board of Trade wrote enclosing a resolution passed by them favoring an alteration of the present designation of both boards.

The question was ultimately referred to the general meeting.

C. E. Renout wrote tendering his resignation from the board, which was accepted with regret. Mr. Arthur Robertson was elected to succeed Mr. Renout.

A communication was received from the Toronto Board of Trade regarding the establishment of technical schools, and referring to a convention which was called some time ago on the subject, but which was, however, postponed. It is the intention to submit a representation to the Governor-General as follows:

Your Excellency:—The boards of trade and also the trades and labor councils represented by this delegation desire to bring before your attention the importance of providing suitable education for the classes engaged in industrial pursuits in Canada.

You are doubtless aware that the question of the establishment of technical education has become one of national importance. It is generally admitted that if Canada is to hold her own in the great industrial warfare now in progress amongst nations she must be equipped with the necessary means for training her own population to enter into the arts and manufactures.

The question of technical education will most seriously affect the future prosperity of the Dominion. We cannot be called a manufacturing country, for the export of our manufactured products is small in comparison with our imports, and this although there is possibly no other country in the world except the United States which possesses the same extent and variety of natural resources. As compared with the United States, the census of 1891 showed that while our per capita production was \$98.50 theirs was \$143, and there is reason to believe that the disproportion has greatly augmented in the interval.

Canada pays millions every year to the superior artists and artisans of other countries, every cent of which represents a foreign tax voluntarily paid in consequence of ignorance and want of skill at home.

We cannot depend on private liberality in this young country to organize and support an adequate system of technical education. The generous provision for all

such instruction made by many European countries is regarded as one of the most pressing of public duties, and may be followed up by us with profit.

In the United States also, technical education has made great strides during the past few years, largely through business organization and private munificence; but the American people have become so accustomed to its importance that schools of technology are springing up in every state of the Union; some by private aid, such as the Philadelphia Textile school, others by municipal and state aid.

With these facts before us, and realizing the possibilities of our unrivalled natural resources, we believe the time has arrived when an opportunity should be furnished our people to develop the many fields of industry within our borders. This is a matter of trade and commerce, and comes primarily within the scope and action of the federal government, just as agriculture is promoted by our experimental farms, dairying by our dairy stations, mining by our geological survey, and the cultivation of food fishes by means of the hatcheries and the protective service.

We assume, of course, that any system of technical education should be national, i. e., aided by the state, as in Germany, France, Switzerland, Belgium, Austria and England. In Germany the subject is placed under the control of the Minister of Trade and Commerce, and not of the Minister of Education. In Belgium it falls under the supervision, not of the Minister of Interior and Public Instruction, but of the Ministry of Agriculture, Industry and Public Works.

The President of the Board of Trade has the management of this department in England. France has a large number of industrial schools and colleges subsidized by the Minister of Commerce and Industry. These countries recognize that technical education is first and above all an essential to industrial growth and development. In this view of the matter it becomes the duty of the Dominion, and not of the provinces, to inaugurate at the earliest possible day a thorough system of technical and industrial education.

Enclosed was a memorandum outlining the general plan of the suggested movement. Referred to manufacturing committee for report.

Mr. Shalleross brought up the question of the board receiving most satisfactory statistics regarding the imports, etc., in connection with Victoria. Mr. Milne had expressed his willingness to give the board, not only a report of the monthly returns, but also the quarterly returns.

The secretary brought up the matter dealt with by Mr. Heubach, general manager of the Winnipeg Industrial Exhibition, at a recent meeting of the board, and referred to the council. Mr. Heubach desired that the council should consider the desirability of assisting the movement to erect a permanent building at the Winnipeg exposition for British Columbia exhibits.

After some discussion, Mr. Thomson moved, seconded by Mr. Ker, that a memorial be forwarded to the provincial government supporting the proposition of Mr. Heubach, and that the government take into its faithful consideration the granting of the necessary funds.

Mr. Davidge raised the question regarding the proposed action of the authorities to utilize the marine hospital for military purposes, but the consensus of opinion was that should such a step be taken another building will be provided by the authorities to answer hospital purposes.

Some discussion ensued regarding the question as to the present dissatisfaction prevailing at the daylight service now operated by the C. P. N. The chairman reminded those present that the board of trade was blamed for the change, with which they had absolutely nothing to do. The council afterwards adjourned.

METROPOLITAN APPROVAL.
Canadians in London Enthusiastic Over Captain Wolley's Poem.

A most appreciative note has been received by Capt. Clive Phillips-Wolley in reference to his poem, "Our Testament," from C. V. Just, librarian of the Canadian office in London, to whom he sent a copy. Mr. Just says:

"I am delighted with your poem. By Jove! you have struck the right note, and no wonder the whole of Canada is vibrating with it. I am having it read at the Hotel Cecil on the 3rd prox. at our big smoking concert, by a Canadian artist, and I am looking forward to a great treat and a good sale of the poem. I am also enclosing the support of Franklyn McLeay, the leading Shakespearean artist at Her Majesty's theatre (Theatre), who, you know, is a Canadian. There is the probability of a Canadian concert being given by Canadian artists in London in aid of the Canadian patriotic fund, and if 'Our Testament' does not fetch the audience—I'll eat my hat!

"Good-bye. God bless you for your inspiration."

"Yours very sincerely,
"C. V. JUST."

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News of West Coast

Work Begun to Recover the Gold From Wreck Bay Placers.

Wreckage Found on Barclay Sound—Many Candidates at Alberni.

The arrival of the steamer Willapa, which returned from the West Coast last evening brought disappointment to the golders, for they were awaiting her return hoping to hear news from the schooner now working to the northward following the herds bound up from the south. The steamer, however, did not bring any news for the sealing men, for she did not see or hear of any of the schooners, with the exception of the Minnie, which was lying at Dog Cove. From that vessel she brought a catch of two hundred skins down to port.

Among the passengers by the steamer Willapa were several aspirants for political honors. Capt. G. A. Huff, owner and operator of the little steamer Willie, which acts as tender to the Willapa on Alberni canal, came down from Alberni, and it is announced he will enter the lists as opponent to Mr. A. W. Neill, M.P.P., for that district. J. P. Bledsoe, M.E., formerly connected with the Unionist and other provincial newspapers, is also announced as an opponent of the member for Alberni. There is some talk also of Hon. Edgar Dewdney running for that district, so Alberni will have candidates in plenty.

Other passengers by the Willapa were Messrs. Brewer and Williams, who have been in the city for some time, and are their new workings at Uchuckleset; Col. Hayes, of the Hayes Mines at Alberni, and Mr. Atkinson, whom the colonel has been showing over his property. H. E. Newton and S. H. Toy came down from their mining properties at Hamilton, and J. B. Hamilton and A. Hamilton, Jr., from Clayoquot.

The arrivals by the Willapa report that a Mr. Graham, of this city, an expert in the beach washing work, has gone up to the Wreck Bay placers, and the working of them has now been commenced. That the Wreck Bay deposits of black sand, the richness of which are undisputed, but which it has been found impossible hitherto to handle on account of the extreme fineness of the gold, will now be systematically tested is further shown by information contained in a letter received by the Willapa from one of the mining correspondents on the West Coast. The writer says:

"After nearly a year's delay in dealing with the various companies who claim to be able to handle black sand, the management of the Wreck Bay Placer Mining Co. have at last got signed to-morrow with Mr. Graham, of Victoria, for the working of the whole beach, the contractor to pay the company a percentage of the gross amount of gold recovered. So confident is Mr. Graham of his ability to handle the black sand, that he is offering a considerable sum in shares in the company."

"The work is to commence immediately, and a gang of men will be dispatched from Uchuckleset this week to put up some of the buildings. Beach sand being a different proposition altogether from hydraulic mining, fifty men per day are considered a safe estimate. The contractor, however, says that when he gets well started he will put through 150 tons per day. As the beach is several miles in extent and the sand considered to be of a rich character all the way through, it will mean work for several years at least, the need of telegraphic communication has been much felt by the management, as several deals have fallen through from this cause alone."

The passengers also report that cannery operations have been commenced at the Earle cannery at Clayoquot, and the prospects are that there will be a good pack there this season.

News was given by the officers of the Willapa of the finding of the body of a dead horse, newly shod, and some few pieces of twelve by twelve lumber which had been washed in to the beach in Barclay Sound. There is all probability in a matter of conjecture. In the opinion of many it is probably from the Norwegian steamer "Hero," which left here about two weeks ago with horses and lumber, similar in size to that picked up in Barclay Sound. It is reasoned that the ship, which is all probability means that either one of the horses have died and been thrown overboard, or that both horse and lumber have been washed overboard in heavy weather encountered by the big steamer in the North Pacific. Again it may be that the lumber is from the British bark Elizabeth Nicholson, which has been towed into the Sound with her seams opened and in a waterlogged condition. She has a lumber cargo which she loaded on the Sound for Shanghai, and it is possible that the lumber found in Barclay Sound was from her. The horse, however, was not from her, as she did not carry any horses.

When coming up from Beale the Willapa saw a large four-masted schooner standing well in shore. It was ridiculous to think that she was in danger, for she had plenty of wind to allow her to beat up the straits. She had evidently run well in shore in order that those on board could pick up her position. She had a fine wind to come off.

The Willapa will sail again for the coast to-morrow night. She goes over to Sehl's wharf in the morning to load a large amount of lumber there for the coast. Among those already booked is Col. Hayes, who is returning to his mines; Chester F. Lee, of Spokane, who represents some capital; and F. W. Bradley, who accompanies the Spokane man up the coast on his trip of investigation.

Warning to China

Powers Demand the Immediate Total Suppression of Society of Boxers.

Unless This is Done Troops Will Be Landed to Protect Foreigners.

(Associated Press.)
London, April 7.—A special from Shanghai announces that the American, British, German and French ministers have sent a joint note to the Chinese foreign office demanding the total suppression of the Society of Boxers within two months, and announcing that otherwise the powers mentioned will land troops and march into the interior of the north provinces, Shantung and Chi Li, in order to secure the safety of foreigners.

According to the same dispatch the American, Italian and French legations are now provided with naval guards from the large gatherings of warships at Taku.

Liu Kun Yih, viceroy of Liang Kung, has had three audiences with the Dowager Empress relative to the Emperor, and it is believed that he has impressed her with the advisability of restoring His Majesty to power.

United States Warships.
San Francisco, April 7.—The squadron of the United States navy, formed in Chinese waters, is to have its headquarters at Hongkong for some time. It was thought that the war vessels dispatched to Hongkong from Manila and San Francisco were on temporary duty and were to be returned soon, but such is now known not to be a fact.

Attitude of the States.
Washington, April 7.—It is said at the state department that nothing has been heard from United States Minister Gongor within the last few days to indicate any substantial change in the situation in Shan Tung. Mr. Gongor's instructions enable him to make as strong presentation as he may deem necessary for the desire of his government that full protection should be extended to the American residents in China, but officials are confident that he did not become a party to any concerted action.

Tien Tsin, April 7.—The United States gunboat Wheeling and the Russian gunboat Korietz arrived at Taku to-day. The Korietz has since departed.

FROM NANAIMO.
(Special to the Times.)
Nanaimo, April 7.—H. Clarke, a Vancouver commercial traveller, was driving from Comox to Cumberland yesterday when he was thrown from the buggy. Mr. Clarke was badly injured.

Steamer Joan will go to Victoria to-night for her annual overhauling, and the City of Nanaimo will go on the Vancouver run on Monday.

BUILDINGS BURNED.
(Associated Press.)
Proctorville, Ohio, April 7.—A fire, which started early to-day, has destroyed 39 buildings, and was still burning at 1 o'clock.

CAPTAIN CODMAN DEAD.
(Associated Press.)
New York, April 7.—Dispatches from Boston announce the death, in his 80th year, of Capt. Jno. Codman, the famous advocate of free ships and free trade.

Two cases of plague were reported at Honolulu on March 26th. One was a Japanese fisherman, the other a white man named John Hurley. Since that date no new cases have appeared. Dr. Carmichael has decided that in view of the recognition now given the prophylactic as a preventive, effective for from 30 to 40 days, he will give permits for stevedores to persons who take the remedy and are in good health, have their baggage disinfected, and are otherwise under sanitary conditions.

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The Teachers' Institute meets in Vancouver on Tuesday, April 17—A Prominent Educationist to Be Present.

The Teachers' Institute meets in Vancouver on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday of Easter week. These meetings are held alternately in Vancouver and Victoria, and are attended by the majority of the teachers of the province.

This year the committee have scored a success by securing the presence of D. J. Goggin, superintendent of education in the Northwest Territories, to attend and lecture to the institute. Mr. Goggin is one of the foremost, if not the foremost, educationist of Canada. He began his career as a teacher in Ontario, where, after some time spent in the lower schools, he became Principal of Port Hope High school. In Ontario he made a great name as an educationalist, and in due time was transferred to Manitoba as superintendent of Education. In his new sphere he was as successful as he was as a teacher; so much so that when Premier Haultain, of the Northwest Territories, was reorganizing the educational system of that country, Mr. Goggin went there at his urgent request as Superintendent of Education, which position he at present holds. Mr. Goggin has devoted much time and attention to institutes and the professional advancement of less experienced teachers, and his lectures cover a large range of educational subjects.

It is not often that our teachers have such an opportunity of improvement as will be presented to them at their meeting in Vancouver, and the committee are to be congratulated on having arranged an interesting and instructive programme.

The institute officers are as follows: President, Mr. D. Wilson, B. A., Victoria; first vice-president, Mr. H. M. Stramborg, B. A., New Westminster; second vice-president, Mr. E. B. Paul, M. A., Victoria; third vice-president, Miss Bessie Johnston, Vancouver; treasurer, Mr. L. J. O'Brien, B. A., Wellington; secretary, Miss M. K. Edmonson, B. A., Vancouver.

The following are the additional members of the executive committee: Mr. J. S. Gordon, B. A., Vancouver; Mr. J. G. Hands, Victoria; Mr. P. Murray, Maple Ridge; Miss E. Le Feuvre, Nanaimo; Miss L. Lewis, Hazelton.

LAW INTELLIGENCE.
The trial of Walkley, King & Casey vs. the city, proceeded again to-day before Mr. Justice Martin until 1 o'clock, when an adjournment was taken until to-morrow, as the plaintiffs desire the evidence of Q. D. H. Warden, who was unable to attend to-day.

To-morrow at 10 o'clock the first meeting of the newly elected Benchers of the Law Society will take place at the secretary's office.

The Benchers of the Law Society met this morning.

Messrs. J. D. Spence, of Columbia; A. A. Dickson, of Grand Forks, and Hugh

Macdonald, of Vancouver, were out to the bar and admitted as solicitors. Mr. W. H. Cutten, of Vancouver, called, he having already been admitted as a solicitor.

They were presented by Mr. Helms to Judge Drake, before whom they were sworn in.

Messrs. A. J. Kitto and Harry Law were both successful in their final examinations.

Messrs. D. M. Rogers, Creagh, Jorand passed the second intermediate, and Messrs. Berkeley, O'Brien, Devereux the first intermediate.

Messrs. James Dick and H. A. Tur passed the preliminary examination. The trial of Walkley, King & Casey vs. the city was postponed this morning for two weeks.

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