## Less Than Two Hours

City Council Polished Cff Busiress in Rapid Style Last Evening.

Conference To Be Held Between Council Committee and Victoria Westerners.

The city council last evening displayed an aptitude for expediting business that was positively startling. The hour of ten had not struck when they left their seats, and when it is considered that the proceedings did not commence until near-8.30 o'clock, the celerity is commendable. There were no large matters to be dealt with, but on the initiative of Ald. Beckwith, it was decided that a special committee of the city council should confer with the owners of property affected by the proposed opening of Craigflower road to arrange for compensation. The mayor also announced that a special meeting of the council will be held this evening to consider the railway proposition.

The attendance last evening was unusually large, there being as many as twenty, including four ladies, These were almost entirely residents of Victoria West, and it is a meritorious feature in connection with the proceedings that despite the comparatively large number present there were no attempts at rhetorical pyrotechnic displays on the part of the councillors.

After the regular formalities communications were taken up.

Robert Porter & Sons patitioned for the construction of a permanent sidewalk in front of their premises on corner of Johnson and Douglas street. Referred to the city engineer for report.

R. H. Sperling, wiring inspector, submitted the list of stores and residences inspected by him during September. Received and filed, and a copy of report be sent to underwriters.

H. D. Helmcken suggested that the corporation make an application to the government for a title to the old cemetery in order that they may be in a position to maintain these grounds in a good condition. Received and filed, and an application to the government for the title will be made.

M. A. Arbuckle directed attention to the condition of the road on Richmond avenue, between his house and that of a neighbor. Referred to the streets, sewers and bridges committee for report.

Jas. Pottinger directed attention to bad state of sidewalk on Michigan street, between Montreal and St. Lawrence The sidewalk, which was an antiquated three-planked affair, was in a bad condition, caused considerable danger to the pedestrians and the writer instanced a case in which a lady came to grief through it. Referred to the city engineer for report.

Ian St. Clair wrote informing the council of the success of his swimming bath venture, which was due to the patronage of visitors, who were attracted to the city by the energy displayed by the city council and the press. Re-

Mason & Bradburn, the city solicitors, damages against the city on the part of his client, D. F. Adams, of Broad street. arising out of the breakage of a pane of ing the recent paving operations. The solicitors advised that the city resist the claim, which they did not consider would be sustained by the facts.

Laid on the table pending the consideration of the city engineer's report, which also pointed out that there was no justification for the claim. The city engineer a surface drain, at a cost of \$350 on which it was received. Humboldt street. Referred to streets committee.

ing referred to the streets, bridges and sewers committee. Mr. Belyea will be taxes. informed of the opinion of the city solici- The Craigflower Road By-law then tors and city engineer regarding his claim.

garding the question of lighting the new tic speech, and during his remarks sugpumping station. He advised that an gested that a conference held be acytelene gas plant be secured. Referred back to the commissioner in order that coal oil lamps may be obtained. He also enclosed a list of 86 consumers out- ward settlement. He consequently movside the city limits paying fifty cents per month. Received and filed.

1,000 yards of sand had been placed in position at the filter beds at \$2.05 per cubic yard. Received and filed. W. J. Bowden and 21 others drew the attention of the city to the bad state of the following evening (Tuesday) to con-

the old Esquimalt road near the pottery, which required a sidewalk, and also to the necessity of an electric light on Walker street, Received and the first part referred to the city engineer for report, and the second the electric light

F. A. Jackson and others petitioned road from Phoenix road to Carr street. Referred to city engineer for report as to the practicability of the scheme.

Tenders for printing the municipal voters' list for 1901 were then received as follows: T. R. Cusack, \$3.25 per page; expired it was not opened.

quire into the Broad street extension had their say, after which the council matter reported as appended:

Gentlemen: - Your committee which was appointed to enquire into and see whether some equitable arrangement could be made sentative of a Savannah, Ga., wholesale between the corporation of the city of Vic- cotton house, and also one of the partners toria and the owners of lots fronting on in it, is trying to find out what has be-Broad street, assessed for the extension of come of \$5,000, which he claims was in an Broad street, from Pandora to Cormorant envelope sent by express marked \$5,000, streets, beg to report as follows:

the city, by virtue of the said extension; opened at its destination only \$5,000, it is was benefited. That in view of such bene- declared, was forthcoming. fit it would be fair and equitable that the

the cost of such extension. That the owners of all lots assessed for birds of prey. When the bird is in mosuch extension should, after a by-law has been passed carrying the above recommendation into effect, be notified of the alarms predaceous birds, and keeps then same and called upon to pay such portion at a respectful distance,

of the remaining two-thirds of the cost of the said extension as shall then be due, the said extension as shall then be due, refusing so to do, your committee recommend that the amounts due by all owners so refusing be recovered by a sale of the whole or a part of the lots charged for such extension belonging to the said refusing owners, in accordance with the provisions of section 10 of the "Broad Street Local Improvement Assessment By-Law,

All of which is respectfully submitted. Ald. Williams favored laying the re

port on the table for a week, Ald Kinsman thought the committee had done well, but they had gone far enough. Ald, Beckwith supported Ald. Williams's motion, which was adopted. The standing committee on finance recommended the appropriation of \$1,-575.86 out of the revenue for the pay-

ment of accounts. Adopted. The same committee recommended the appropriation of \$2,550 out of the Point Ellice Bridge Accident By-law funds to settle the Leveridge bridge claims. Received and filed. In this connection the mayor explained that this was the last of the bridge claims, with the exception

of that of G. W. Biggar. (Applause.) The committee further recommended the appropriation of \$1,325 for instituting certain improvements on a number

of the street. Adopted. The streets, sewers and bridges committee reported as follows: Gentlemen:-Your streets, bridges

sewers committee having considered the undermentioned subjects, beg to report and recommend as follows: Re Swing, Rock Bay Bridge.-That the city engineer be instructed to proceed with

the construction of this work forthwith, by Re Communication from Col. Benson and Repair of the Road Leading to the Barracks, Hospital Point.-That repairs be made to this road at once.

Re Petition of Wm. Rockett, et at, and Your committee recommend that the owners of property in this section, which property is already connected with the sewer, be charged sewer rental, and that the owners of property not connected with the sewer be charged sewer rental next

Re Box Drain, East Side of First Street. We recommend that the drain be laid. Re Broom.-We recommend that the proom on Belcher street be not interfered with, but that the broom on Fairfield road, between Moss street and the cemetery, be

Department of Public Works, in accord- and pencil of one of the paper's artists ance with a resolution of the council for a peopling a drifting hulk with grinning strip of tidal water land across James Bay skel tons, as represented by the Indian flats, to the west of James Bay bridge, be renewed.

We recommend that the old water troughs be repaired, and that the city engineer report as to the cost of the improvement of Garbally road, westward from

Douglas street. The following matters we recomme laid over for further consideration.

Communication from R. Porter & Sans re permanent sidewalk in front of their new building on the corner of Johnson and Douglas streets. Re improvement of Fort street, as per

etition of John Elford et al.

The report was adopted. Ald. Williams's resolution providing that the postmaster general be requested to order the establishment of a post office in North Ward next came up. In speaking to the motion, the father of it pointed out that in Vancouver all the wards were provided with postal faciliof A. L. Beylea, containing a claim for ties. Now was an opportune time to approach the Dominion government, as they were in good humor,

Ald, Beckwith hoped that this was not wanted an explantion as to where the post office should be instituted. North Ward was a very large ward. Ald. Williams explained that Ald. Brydon and two others had signed a

previous report, pointing out to E. H. Fletcher where the institution should be established. The motion was carried in also recommended the construction of spite of the rather quizzical manner in The Tax Sale By-law then came up

and finally carried, Ald. Williams utter-The report was taken up seriatim. The ing a lonely protest against the imposifirst clause was polished off handily, be- tion of a 5 per cent. fee on those whose lands were sold owing to arrears in

came up, and was immediately made to feel at home. Speaking on the subject, The water commissioner reported re- Ald. Beckwith made a neat little optimistween the council committee and the owners of the property affected by the opening of the road would be a step toed to this effect, and that pending the conference the by-law stand over for a The same official also reported that week. This was unanimously carried, and Ald. Yates, Cameron and Beckwith were appointed to the committee.

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Ald, Cooley brought up the question of exchanging some of the swans in the park with some singing birds from Australia. This was referred to the park Africa again and have a chance of further committee

Ald. Williams also directed attention to the dilapidated condition of the sidethat the sewer be continued along Avalan | walk on Cadboro street, near the Jubilee hospital. He was informed that the

The council were determined evidently not to rise before 10 o'clock, and as there were still fifteen minutes, several Colonist P. & P. Co., \$3.15 per page. The details were suggested, and the discuscontract was awarded to the lowest ten- sion was proportionately prolific. Ald. derer. There were three tenders, but Brydon wanted some action taken reone of them having been received a half garding the obstructions caused on Doughour after the time for their receipt had las street by the building operations in the erection of Porter's new building. The special committee appointed to in- Ald. Beckwith and several others also adjourned.

Gustave Eickstein, a New York reprebut said to have contained double that That in the opinion of your committee sum when it was dispatched. On being

city should assume and pay one-third of Thin bamboo tubes are fastened to carrier pigeons in China to protect them from tion the action of the air through the tubes causes a whistling sound, which

## Identified

West Coast Indians Recognize Their Tribesmen in a Newspaper Picture.

Their Fears Regarding the Pioneer Confirmed by a Yellow Paper.

There is lamentation and consternation among the Indians of the West Coast of Vancouver Island, and all beaminer, and the thoughtfulness of Capt. Walbran, of D. G. S. Quadra in providing reading matter for the Indian fishermen at Rivers Inlet.

required, for the vivid aboriginal imagnation had already pictured such a fate into execution, marked by facial, lacerapart of the women, and more stolid signs of sorrow by the men.

The whole story, interesting chiefly because of its odd feature, eventually found its way out over the wires from this point through the agency of the newspaper correspondent at this place to New York, Chicago, San Francisco and ment. other points, and in the latter city the occasion was improved by the Examiner, which treated its Sunday morning read-Your committee further recommends that ers to a half-page scare-head account of the application made some time ago to the the finding of the sealer, the imagination story. This gruesome picture was embellished with a fanciful story of the affair, which caused passing amusement to those with a knowledge of the cir-

cumstances, and nothing more. Had the paper gone no further North than Victoria, it's effect would have been no more serious than as above described. But Capt, Walbran on one of his voyages on D. G. S. Quadra, took the paper along, and at Rivers' Inlet gave it to a half-breed named Chal-an-co-ma. This man understood English, and read the 2:30 p.m., the programme being always account to the fishermen, who numbered quite a few of the West Coast tribes- younger than five years is burdened with men, who had gone up to the Inlet to

This excited the Indians. But when they viewed the picture which represent. ple are brought to and fro by their nurses ed the schooner as without masts or or fond parents. Non-Catholic children rudder, and with the forepart battened attend and their religion is not interfered own on the bodies of the Indians, their indignation knew no bounds. The six skeletons pictured were certainly Indians, and the after part of the vessel was open, and contained neither boats plate glass on the latter's premises dur- a political move, while Ald. Brydon nor white men. The inference was plain. The white men had battened the Indians down, and had then got away themselves in the boats, leaving the redskins to their awful fate. One of the klootchmen settled the business by declaring that she recognized one of the animals has just gone into effect. It skeletons as Naroleon, the young chief, enlarges the powers of the United States son of Wallace.

As soon as the Rivers Inlet contingent arrived back at Quatsino and communicated the news to those employed there. be latter suspended work entirely, and allowed to increase, become a pest. the whole settlement gave itself up for a time to the face scratching, howling nanifestations which signalized the reeption of the news originally.

The paper was left at a village on for it in order to convince the skeptical of birds. whites who scoffed at the statements of | The objects and purposes of this act their superstitious friends.

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Bugler Dunne wants to go out to South distinguishing himself, but the Queen has commanded the lad to attend her at Osborne, and told him he must not think of going out. Dunne, it is said, would rather not have received such a command, but, city engineer had this under his atten- like a loyal soldier, he has made up his mind to restrain his ambition for the present in obedience to the wishes of his Queen.

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HAPPY LITTLE TOTS.

Queen Anne building whence the sounds of merriment proceeded. Stepping inside the gate, a sea of sweet little faces, too innocent to resent the intrusion. smiled a cordial welcome and continued their games. A moment later the bell announced the close of a pleasant recess, and the little folk took ranks and marched into a lovely, bright room called the childish laughter, towards a cozy little feet were soon in position on the pretty painted rings on a smooth floor, and with fairy-like grace went through songs, marches, motion songs, drills, etc., with an ease and thoroughness rarely witnessed among classes of far older children. The effects of the splendid Delsarte cause of the too vivid imagination of the method of physical culture were prommarine artist of the San Francisco Ex- inent in all the figures executed; the tiny voices were well pitched and blended as harmoniously as a chorus of little birds. These exercises over, the older pupils, from six to eight years of age,, marched into another room, and the little ones The genesis of the trouble dates back from three to five years, resumed their many months ago when the news reach- kindergarten programme. A few little ed ictoria, and was published in the men made their letters with blocks on the kindergarten tables, while others of Times, that the Indians of Winter Harbor were celebrating a sorrow dance for angles, houses, etc., the little girls took the Indian hunters on board the "post- up their map weaving. Another little ed as missing" schooner, Pioneer, which band, more babyish, took a direct line failed to return from the sealing cruise to the end of the big room where they two years ago. The Indians had heard set about arranging an immense Brownie a story to the effect that the water log- family of dolls, cats, rabbits, etc. A few ged hulk of the missing vessel had been quieter little misses rocked contentedly found drifting with the skeletons of her in dainty chairs, soffly singing their crew aboard her. Verification was not beautiful dolls to sleep All rose to bow politely as their visitor departed, not, however, before he recognized the pleafor the sealer and a potlatch of mourn- sure, occupation, mental development and Sewerage Rental, Upper Johnson Street. ing was immediately ordered and carried politeness obtainable in this happy quarter. Lighted, as it is, by a flood of soft tion and hysterical screeching on the light from large stained windows, and canopied by a fine high ceiling, it is truly a house built for children. As for the dear little people, one would imagine that some good fairy god-mother had gathered all the beautiful darlings of fair mammas in town, and brought them to this little kindergarten castle for a day's amuse

Here all are trained to unselfishness, by association, and however young, are no longer the quick tempered, noisy little tyrants of a busy mother, but subdued without being crushed, trained to obey others and amuse themselves, they carry this training into practice after school hours. The next room showed the older pupils at work in the primary grade, a fine, large, well furnished apartment, where reading, writing, arithmetic, spelling, singing, gymnastics, object lessons and even French for beginners and music are taught. The third room is a sunny little dining-room, fitted with a gas range; where hot lunch is served by the teachers for those who request same. In reply to an inquiry as to hours, etc., the writer was told that these little ones have school from 9:30 or 10 a.m. to 2 or as interesting as just seen. No one what we call school work, but those above this age make good progress in the school room department. The little peowith. Visitors are welco 3:30 p.m. every day except Saturdays and Sundays.

ANIMALS UNDER THE BAN. New Law Enlarges the Powers of the United States Department of Agriculture.

A new and important law in regard to department of agriculture, seeks to protect birds more thoroughly than before and guards against the introduction into this country of animals which might, if

The English sparrow plague could have been avoided had this law been formerly in operation and perhaps, too, there would not now be in the forests the "silence which speaks" so loudly of wanton Hope Island, and the Indians have sent cruelty and recklessness in the shooting for

are to aid in the restoration of such birds in those parts of the United States adapted thereto where the same have become scarce or extinct, and also to regulate the introduction of American or foreign birds in localities where they have not heretofore existed." Further on is the important clause which makes it unlawful for any one to "transport from one state to another the dead bodies of any wild animal or bird killed in violation of local laws."

The new law deals with the importation of all kinds of animals as well as birds. The word "animal" is taken to include reptiles and "birds" to include all warm-blooded animals provided with wings, and therefore bats, apparently. Every importer is required to apply to the secretary of agriculture for a permit to import domesticated fowls, pigeons, etc., and cage birds, such as parrots and canaries. Specimens for museums or scientific collections are also admitted without permits, provided the purpose of their importation is clear.

The Flying Fox.

Some animals are not under any circumstances to be imported, except for museums. Those under the ban at present are the mongoose, the "flying fox" or fruit bat, the English sparrow and the

known chiefly as the deadly enemy of imposing a fine of \$250 on any one found and much of the harm done by hithe snakes. But his tribe are as fond of shooting it in Florida. chickens as of the cobra and the python. country. A foot and a half long on an average, but sometimes much larger, he the east in which he flourishes.

animals the powers of the secretary of agriculture are unlimited. He may at any time increase the list. Twenty-five years ago the roseate spoonbill curlew, for instance, was ex-

A Peep Into St. Ann's Kindergarten on Blanchard Street.

Passing along Blanchard street, the

writer was attracted by peals of hearty, childish laughter, towrds a cozy little

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starling. These are "absolutely prohib- beauty of its plumage attracted the at- to do this is vested in the depart tention of the milliners, with the result of agriculture this work will do The mongoose, to most Americans, is that the bird is now protected only by be much more energetically carried

The showy heron, the great blue heron, science will be remedied. As for the flying fox, he is a most un- even the seagull, have become a prey to welcome addition to the fauna of any the milliner-or rather to the fashionable mal" clause is apparent when the figure woman-and are rapidly decreasing. The powers of the state gamekeepers Australia are taken into account. lives wholly on fruit and his one redeem. are not in any way diminished, but the amount up to \$5,000,000 and the pl

ing feautre seems to be that he is es- whole work of saving the forests from teemed good eating in the countries of being depopulated for the sake of trimming a "stunning" hat for some fine wo-In regard to this matter of prohibited man is now centralized and designated. Buying Birds.

The purchasing of birds for those regions where they once flourished but are now seldom found has not been systememely common in Florida. The great atically carried on. Now that the power the Dominion

lax laws and uneducated public

The importance of the " of the amount spent to destroy rabbits has exhausted the ingenuity of science In Jamaica the mongoose is a plag that destroys much valuable poultry. is only luck that has kept this coun from suffering from this pest, as it wou

York Tribune. Sidney Sykes, of Guelph, is a gues

flourish in the southern states.