

Beat Their Own Record

Mayor and Aldermen Dispose of the Week's Business in Fifty Minutes.

C. P. N. Co's Proposal-Rock Bay Bridge-Waterworks Opening.

Last week the city council disposed of their business in seventy minutes, and that was a record for this year. Last night the aldermen clipped twenty minutes off their previous best performance and, commencing at 8.10, had carried the motion to adjourn before the clock had announced the hour of nine.

There was not much business requiring attention, the special committee appointed to enquire into and report upon the proposal made by the C. P. N. Company for improved steamboat connection with Vancouver, not having completed their work and asking, through the chairman, Ald. Hayward, for more time. Three resolutions, introduced by Ald. Williams, were carried without debate, and the ordinary routine business was of a more than ordinary routine nature.

Ald. Beckwith, who is still in the northern mining district, was the only absentee, his worship the mayor presiding and City Clerk Dowler and Acting Solicitor Bradburn being also in their places.

His worship stated that it would be as well for him to announce although the aldermen already knew of it, that the official opening of the water works will take place on Wednesday. A special train will leave Hillside avenue station at 2 p.m., and the mayor expressed the wish that all the aldermen and their wives would accompany the excursion, at the same time extending a very cordial invitation to the representatives of the press.

The minutes having been read and duly adopted, communications were dealt with, the first being from Deputy Minister of Public Works, A. Gobell, relating to

Rock Bay Bridge.

It read as follows:

Department of Public Works.

Ottawa, July 24, 1899.

Sir,—Upon inquiry being made to the department to-day concerning the application of the city of Victoria for approval of the plans for a new pile bridge to replace the existing structure across Rock Bay, I have thought it better to call your attention to the state in which this matter now stands, detailing to you the different steps which the city will have to take in order to bring the matter to an issue.

There are three points connected with this application which are distinct, the one from the other, and which call for action by your council, the success of one depending upon your action on the action of the other.

1. Before the government can undertake to give your council permission to construct that bridge, you must obtain from the department of marine and fisheries the necessary order or right of occupation of the land upon which the said bridge is going to be built. Of this you were informed by the secretary of the department on the 4th of January last, and as we have communicated with the department of marine and fisheries since this letter was written to you, I now send you copy of a communication from that department, dated the 24th March, 1899, in which you will see exactly what steps you have to take.

2. Your council can obtain the approval of this department to the construction of the bridge by confirming with the requirements of section 5, chapter R. S. of C. of this fact you were also informed by a letter from the secretary of the department, to which I have above made reference.

3. As regards the construction itself, while it may be held that there is little navigation on the body of water across which you propose to construct your bridge, still the law concerning the construction of works for navigable waters leaves no discretion in the matter. The moment a body of water is navigable, even to a limited extent, any work constructed in or over the same must be so built that it will not at any time impede possible navigation upon the same.

In view of the law, the chief engineer has been constrained to report that the bridge which your council proposed to erect will have to be built with a swing, as no fixed bridge can be authorized under the law by this department.

I hope I have made these three points clear to you, so that if there is any delay due to the fact that the requirements of the law have not been complied with in full by your council, this department will be relieved of all responsibility for further delay in this matter.

I have the honor to be, etc., (Signed) A. GORRELL, Deputy Minister.

The enclosure referred to reads as follows: Ottawa, 24th March, 1899.

Sir,—The minister has had under consideration your letter of the 5th January last on the subject of the application of the city of Victoria for a grant of two strips of land in the harbor of Victoria, required for highway purposes.

The minister considers that before a grant is given of the foreshores in question, the municipality should be advised to apply under chapter 2, R. S. of C. for permission to construct the bridge, which will bring forward the objections, if any, for riparian owners affected by the proposed works, or in the alternative they should furnish the government with evidence of the consent of the riparian owners to the improvement contemplated.

Your obedient servant, (Signed) F. GOURDEAU, Deputy Minister of Marine, etc.

The secretary, department of public works, Ottawa.

Ald. Humphrey moved, and Ald. Kinsman seconded, that the letter be received and filed, and the writer informed that in consequence of the delay in receiving a reply from the department the council had been compelled to repair the present structure and do not intend now to build a new bridge.

The motion carried.

Pandora Street Nuisance.

Mr. Simon Leiser once again called attention to the very unsatisfactory and health-menacing condition of a house adjoining his property on Pandora street.

Mr. Leiser said it seemed that all the rubbish in the city is taken to this condemned place and stored there. The house has been condemned, has no sewerage connection and is a menace to the health of those in the vicinity.

Ald. Kinsman moved that the letter be referred to the sanitary officer, with instructions to abate any nuisance found to exist. This was seconded and duly carried. Ald. Brydon asking parenthetically how it is the house is not connected with the sewers, to which the mayor replied that he supposed it was the same as others.

That Chemical Works Wharf.

Captain James Gaudin, agent of Marine and Fisheries, called the attention of the council to their resolution regarding the proposed extension of the Victoria Chemical Company's wharf, in which the council said they had no objection to the extension, provided it does not interfere with navigation.

Capt. Gaudin now asked whether the council would have any objection to the extension of the wharf being issued to Hon. J. S. Helmcken.

Ald. Stewart was under the impression that the matter is entirely in Captain Gaudin's hands, the council having nothing more to do with it than to say they have no objection to the extension, if navigation be not interfered with.

The mayor said the question of the water lots being granted to Dr. Helmcken was not before the council on the previous occasion. Col. Prior had told them that the present minister has made it a rule not to grant any water front lots to private individuals unless he is certain the municipalities have no objection.

Ald. Humphrey repeated that the city has no objection if navigation be not interfered with, and Ald. Hayward said it seemed the council were willing to extend every convenience necessary to the company, but it now seems unless they went further the concession already made is of no value. He was not in a position to vote intelligently on the present phase of the question until he obtained further information, and therefore he moved that it be referred to the same special committee that reported on it before.

Ald. Stewart, while unable to see what the council has to do with it, seconded the motion and it carried. Messrs. Humphrey and MacGregor constitute the special committee.

Eagles to Sell.

Mr. Thomas Hickey, of Brooklyn, B. C., informed the council that he has a pair of gray eagles for sale and furnished a very full and detailed description of the birds, their measurements, ages and sex, for all of which he was willing to accept \$75. He had offered them to other bodies and the first best offer would be accepted, the purchaser to pay all expenses and accept all risks after shipment.

Ald. Stewart moved that the letter be received and filed, and the writer informed that the council has no desire to buy the birds. Ald. Stewart found a seconder in Ald. Kinsman, who said the birds were cheap, a sentiment which Ald. Humphrey echoed, and the motion carried.

Stone for Sale.

William Beaumont of Eagle Bay offered to supply the city with any quantity of stone for paving purposes, three inches thick, at a few cents a ton. It is situated at Eagle Bay and is distant only 40 miles from the city, the bay being sheltered and shipment easy.

Referred, on motion of Ald. Brydon and Williams, to the city engineer to report.

Another Drain Nuisance.

A. W. Jones complained of a drain from Spruce Ridge along Fernwood road and Edmonton street which will put age to run on to the Finlayson estate property and cannot be good for cattle and sheep pastured there.

Ald. Stewart moved to refer the letter to the city engineer, and at the suggestion of Ald. Humphrey added the sanitary officer. This amended the motion carried.

That Milk Ranch Bull.

Poundkeeper Curran reported on the matter referred to him regarding the petition received last week from residents of North Chatham street, in which it was stated that cows, "sometimes accompanied by a bull," belonging to Mr. T. Alexander, run along the streets and endanger the safety of the people in the vicinity. The poundkeeper said he had not at any time this summer seen the bull running with the cows, and the owner had told him that the animal had not been out except to water. The side-walks, too, are as clean as the neighborhood as in any part of the city.

Received and filed and a copy ordered to be sent to the petitioners.

In the same connection came a report from the sanitary officer, who said he had made a careful examination of Mr. Alexander's premises and found nothing objectionable.

This took the same course.

A School Board Request.

Secretary Eaton of the Board of School Trustees forwarded a copy of a resolution adopted by the board last week, asking the council to extend the sidewalk on the south side of Yates between School street and Fernwood road, the necessary gravel to be taken from the adjacent school yard, and also the construction of a culvert to drain the Victoria West school yard.

Referred to the city engineer for report.

A Petition.

Mrs. W. B. Wilcoxon and 31 others called attention to a sidewalk on the south side of View street, between Blanchard and Quadra, which they said is in a dangerous condition. Ald. Kinsman said this sidewalk had been mentioned before by him and it certainly is in need of attention. On motion of Ald. Humphrey the matter was referred to the city engineer for report.

Money Appropriations.

The standing committee on finance recommended the payment of \$2,068.90 out of current revenue and the report was adopted.

Admitted to the Home.

The Old Men's Home Committee recommended that William Fraser be admitted to the institution, the report was adopted and the applicant ordered to be admitted.

Motions.

Ald. Williams moved, and Ald. Stewart seconded: "That the attention of the Provincial government be called to the desirability of adding to the Provincial Museum, both a salt and a fresh water aquarium."

Ald. Williams said that in moving this he was simply looking to the future, and the council considered this was certainly a move towards beautifying the place. It would certainly add to the attractiveness of the place—if we can get it.

Ald. Hayward wanted to know if Ald. Williams had any idea that the government would grant the request, as it seemed bad policy to go to them and ask for something we knew we would not get. Where would the aquarium be?

Ald. Williams—At the museum.

Ald. Hayward—Inside.

Ald. Williams—Outside.

Ald. Hayward made a suggestion to the effect that a bath tub, supposed to be the one used by the Attorney-General, might now be at liberty and usable for this purpose, and this made Ald. Williams annoyed. It was all very well, he said, for the aldermen to laugh at the motions, but years ago when he moved a resolution regarding the reduction of letter box rentals he was laughed at, yet the rents were reduced and probably Ald. Hayward had saved several dollars in consequence.

The motion was about to be put when Ald. Brydon asked to have it read over again, as he had not caught the gist of it.

The motion was re-read and the mayor waited expectantly for a few remarks from Ald. Brydon, but they came not and the motion was carried unanimously.

Ald. MacGregor moved, and the attention of the medical health officer be called to the necessity of introducing the same system here as is employed in large cities, in the way of dealing with books borrowed from the Public Library by those in whose houses sickness may be prevailing.

Ald. Williams had had a conversation with the medical officer and although some steps towards the adoption of library books returned from houses of sickness were taken, the system adopted in the east was unknown. He believed it was the custom in eastern cities to subject such volumes as had been in houses where sickness existed to a very great degree of heat and where they had been in contact with any very serious diseases they are destroyed altogether. Of course the apparatus needed might be of great expense, but he believed it would be of great value.

The motion carried.

Ald. Williams moved, and Ald. Kinsman seconded: "That the purchasing agent be instructed to purchase two crates of books, to cost not more than \$150 each, including all extras, and have the same placed in the following positions: One at the corner of Yates and Government street and the other at the corner of Government and Courtney streets."

Adding the words "if the money be available" the motion was agreed to, Ald. Kinsman saying such articles as books were cheap, and he believed we have struck that point. I own two or three crates and Prince and Lane own several.

"On my claim, No. 5 above on Anvil creek, I have twenty men at work. They are doing sluicing to-day and there should be a handsome cleanup. Dr. Kittleson's claim on this same creek is showing up very rich and the same may be said of No. 8, belonging to Luderberg, Lindbloom and Brygsten, on Anvil and Snow creeks. Expecting rich in the Brygsten claim."

"Owing to the difficulty in getting water with which to work claims on Snow gulch, but little sluicing will be done until next spring when the snow begins to melt. The trouble exists on numerous other claims where there is no water except that obtained from melting snow. The properties located on these creeks will have to be worked in the fall and winter and sluiced in the spring. Some of the claims have been found on Dexter and Glazier creeks, but they seem to be spotted. As to the other creeks of the district no prophecy can be made, many not having been systematically prospected yet. That they are rich, however, I have no doubt."

"There are a great many idle men to be seen about the camp, but this is their own fault, as there is a heavy demand for labor, and furthermore there are excellent opportunities offered for labor. It is this idle class who go to such meetings as the one held Monday night and which Lieut. Spaulding very properly dispersed."

This idle crowd intended passing a resolution throwing open the district for relocation and jumping the best claims. Such an action would have resulted in bloodshed and there is no telling where the trouble would have ended, because many men would have defended their claims with their lives."

"None is a rich district and an extensive one, but it is no place for a person to winter if he is not well supplied with warm clothing and sufficient means to provide himself with comforts. The winter is severe, the thermometer often falling to 60 degrees below zero, the cold being intensified by the sea. I am on my way to Golovin Bay, where I own several good claims on Duxty and Melting creeks. Our camp especially well. Several days ago the Duxty Diamond mine, four men working four hours, washed out \$400 in coarse gold. There are thirty-eight claims above discovery on this creek and four below. The Duxty Diamond Company, composed of Chicago men, expect to clean up at least a quarter of a million this year. Other creeks are Melting, Sweet Lake, Elkhorn, Goldbottom and Dome. The country tributary to these creeks is well timbered."

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Austlin, Tex., Aug. 4.—Casa Grande, State of Co., states that four Americans arrived there direct from river country, having been marauding bands of Yaquis. There are probably 2,000 and prospectors in the Yaquis that their lives are in the Indians are getting desperate each day. The bloody outbreak in had not reached the town when he left. As received by hands of Indian mining region, they will white man along the river there are 5,000 Yaquis. They are killing them if they reach the mountains. During the Indians have been at peace quietly investing in the to the woods and mountains equipped than ever for a family.

Chicago, Ill., Aug. 4.—Mexico City says: "Dispatches from Cu Yaqui insurrection is in extent and that all the river are rising to the woods and mountains companions who are against the authorities. "Jack Ramsey, a farmer, and an American, Ed. Miller, were on their when attacked and killed. "Three sloops on the were also attacked and who was in charge of the vessels were set on fire by the Federal forces. The Yaquis are savages away. Paredes, in the river, a Romono family were captured on the 1st of the day. Troops are pursued to have the family. "The telephone line has been cut. "Don Garcia Pena, had not been killed as was. "Official advices up clearly that after General took Bacum they found troops from Cocot, a bodyguard of the Yaquis do. They say nothing but the chief."

Monsoon Rains Have Fall and Crops Are Withering Explanation

(Associated Press) Bombay, Aug. 4.—The having failed in the western portions of C mine is feared. Crops the intense, untimely rain has caused the falls within the next astrous scarcity is inevitable. The utmost anxiety the probability grows. It will not be able to change the present prospects are endangered. The natives have a r They say simply that L has failed.

TROUBLE BREWING (Associated Press) Paris Aug. 4.—The to-day that Algiers is revolution, and that have been supplied with rifles smuggled into the United States.

POPE AND Rome Aug. 4.—The H ed his audiences and taring a publication w comments on the work fence and also expl have been the papal p the pacification of the

MURDERED THREE (Associated Press) Susquehanna, Pa. Yager, a chairman, fourth is a floor at om here, last night, have been insane.

FLOODS IN MI (Associated Press) Preston, Minn., Aug. done by a flood here greater than at first placed at half a million