

LOCAL INTELLIGENCE.

Wednesday, Feb. 14th.

Legislation not according to Law.

The Customs Declaratory Ordinance which we publish this morning is yet one more instance of what a Government will condescend to do under the pressure of necessity. Notwithstanding its constant and open profession of a desire to govern equitably and in accordance with the popular wishes, it is more than humiliating to see the pliant forces of the Executive deliberately propose, with a predetermined purpose, to carry it, an Act which they cannot but admit to be illegal, and which they can only justify at all on the plea of expediency and want of means. If the circumstances of the United Colony are at so low an ebb as to render such political dishonesty imperative for the preservation of the public credit, the sooner such a state of rottenness is exposed and purified, the better chance for future revival. The Colonies have been drifting into this state of financial distress for the past two years, and the members of the Executive, secure of their annual stipends, and apparently caring for nothing but that, were blind to their danger and heedless of warning. Now that it is too late, they are ready for any measure, even, as in this instance, to legalize illegality, by a drilled Government majority, with which they can laugh to scorn the claims of justice and trample down the rights of the people. The Exchequer must, indeed, be in dire distress, when a British Government can stoop so low to pick up dirty money. But if the case be so urgent as to call for so odious a remedy, surely it had been better if it had been vigorously grappled with—if, as we pointed out a few days since, the true state of the Colonies had been clearly comprehended; if the petty local interests of New Westminster had been at once and for ever discarded, and the larger and more important interests of Victoria had been fostered and recognized. His Excellency would have had a contented and reviving population to uphold his policy and to support him financially, instead of, as now, a whole community whose confidence, and we may almost say, loyalty, are shaken to their foundations by acts of injustice and neglect probably unparalleled in the history of British Colonies. If some change be not speedily made it will be found that the only supporters left to the Government will be the handful of officials whose interested councils have been so detrimental to the well being of the whole Colony, and probably their fervor and loyalty will steadily diminish in proportion with the decrease of revenue, till it dies away altogether when there are no more funds for their support. We shall have much more to say on this subject when those curious, and, we fear, formidable documents, the Estimates, are made public. The press is now really the only means by which our rights can be declared and protected. The Government, secure of a packed majority, listens indifferently to the voice of the elected members, and laughs in its sleeve as the young gentleman from Downing Street pulls the string and the puppets wag or nod their heads with mechanical exactitude. This state of things may be amusing for a time, but it is too good to last long. It is but proper that His Excellency should know that a very strong under current of indignant dissatisfaction is quietly but steadily setting in, and that it will require no small amount of statesmanship to stem and turn it back. It is to his own clear judgment and prompt individual action that we must look for this, and not to the advice of official hangers-on or to the gold-lace and foolscap of Downing Street.

RIFLE CORPS.—The corps will have a march out—the first of the season—on Monday evening next, at 7:30, from the James Bay barracks.

TWED DOWN.—The steamer Isabel yesterday towed down the ship Bevere, laden with 700 tons of coal, for San Francisco.

The U. S. Revenue Cutter Lincoln will coal here and leave to-day for Portland, Columbia River.

A SAD CASE.—Wm. Perkin, an English collier, who lost his sight by the explosion of a blast in a pit at Nanaimo, some five months ago, is appealing to the citizens of Victoria for assistance to enable him to open a small store in Nanaimo. Mr Perkin has a wife and two young children at Nanaimo in distressed circumstances. His fellow miners have done much to assist him, but their generous contributions were expended in consulting medical men at San Francisco, by whom he was pronounced hopelessly blind. A small sum from each citizen will serve to start the poor man in a small way, and place him above want. Doomed for the remainder of his existence to grope his way in darkness through the world, and with a family dependent upon him for support, his sad case appeals directly to the sympathies of all, and appeals, we hope, not in vain.

POLICE COURT.—Neil Morrison charged Charles Coose with being in possession of a meerschaum pipe, the property of the said Neil Morrison. The evidence was rather loosely given; the only facts proved were, that he was smoking a pipe about two o'clock yesterday morning, at the Red Lion Saloon; two or three witnesses recognized it as Morrison's, as being black and ornamented, with a piece of silver in the shape of a heart. Coose refused to give up the pipe, upon which Morrison gave him in charge; but it seems the pipe had been passed to some of Coose's acquaintances, as it could not be found upon him when searched at the goal. He was remanded.

LOCAL LAWS OF BRITISH COLUMBIA EXTENDED TO VANCOUVER ISLAND.—The Oath's Act, 1859; the Sheriff's Act, 1860; the Interest Ordinance, 1864—No. 11; the Postal Ordinance, 1864—No. 14; the Patents Ordinance, 1864—No. 17; the Native Evidence Ordinance, 1865—No. 2; the Decimal Currency Ordinance, 1865—No. 8; the Gold Mining Ordinance, 1865—No. 14; the Indian Liquor Ordinance, 1865—No. 16; Game Ordinance, 1866—No. 17; Indian Graves Ordinance, 1865—No. 19; Marriage Ordinance, 1865—No. 21; the Port of Entry Ordinance, 1865—No. 25; the Sinking Fund Ordinance, 1866—No. 6; the Intestate Estate Sale Ordinance, 1866—No. 8; the Ferries and Bridges Ordinance, 1866—No. 9; the Currency Adjustment Ordinance, 1866—No. 16.

NAVAL.—The Malacca men have been paid up arrears, at Esquimalt, and were at liberty yesterday. The report that the Malacca was about to return to New Westminster was incorrect, and Captain Cooper, who came down to pilot her up, returns on the Otter to-day. H. M. S. Matine sailed for Mazatlan yesterday. H. M. S. Clio reached Honolulu, S. I., on the 11th Jan., from Victoria. The Sparrowhawk and Forward have been ordered to cruise north and will leave to-day.

MADAME D'ORMY'S CONCERT.—Madame Josephine D'Ormy's grand concert will come off to-night at the theatre. A most attractive bill is offered, and we are glad to know that the gifted artiste will be accorded a full house. Victorians never fail to appreciate and reward genius, and the success that will attend Madame D'Ormy this evening, will, we hope be such as to induce her to favor the public with at least one more entertainment before taking her departure.

CAPT. RICHARDS.—The Paris Academy of Sciences, at its last sitting, proceeded to elect a corresponding member for the section of Geography and Navigation in the place of the late Admiral Fitzroy. The candidates were Captain Richards, of London; M. Ciardi, of Rome, and Mr Livingstone, of London. The first-named, having received 33 votes out of 42, was declared duly elected. Times, Dec. 10th, 1866.

DEAD.—The steward of the wrecked bark Mauna Kea, who was brought down from the North by the Sparrowhawk, and conveyed, in a paralyzed state, to the Marine Hospital, at Port Townsend, died a few days after admission to that institution.

SUGAR AND COFFEE SALE.—The large sale of sugar and coffee, importation ex Lodo, will commence at Mr McCrea's salesroom at 11 o'clock this morning. The credit offered is most liberal.

The remains of Kelly, the unfortunate sailor, were buried yesterday, with appropriate ceremonies, in the Church Reserve cemetery.

LOCAL LAWS OF VANCOUVER ISLAND REPEALED.—An act respecting Marriages in Vancouver Island; the Currency Act, 1862; Game Act.

E. MALLANDAIN, Esq., will lecture before the Mechanics' Institute, to-morrow evening, in place of Dr Comrie, who has been ordered away. Subject "Language."

THE COMOX SHOOTING CASE.—Holder's sureties have surrendered him to the authorities for safe keeping.

The Otter will sail for New Westminster at eight o'clock this morning.

The Enterprise left for Stellaquam at an early hour yesterday.

Thursday, Feb. 14th.

MR SHEEPHANKS' LECTURE ON MORMONISM.—The lecture by Rev Mr Sheephanks at the Boys' Collegiate School, on Tuesday evening, was not so numerously attended as the subject and the acknowledged ability of the lecturer deserved. The hall was, however, comfortably filled, and the audience—a large proportion of which was ladies—listened with great apparent interest to the fund of incidents, anecdotes, and dry facts with which the discourse abounded. Mr Sheephanks' style of delivery is easy and conversational, but he lacks that energy and rapidity of utterance which distinguish most of our successful lecturers. The discourse was divided into several heads, each of which was ably handled and frequently applauded. The journey to Salt Lake City was described with much effect, and the sights that he witnessed and things that he heard while sojourning among the strange community were narrated. Among other things, Mr Sheephanks told how he had held service in the Mormon Church (or Bowery) before three thousand people, many of them his own countrymen. The subject of polygamy was delicately handled by the lecturer, who said that Brigham Young had about twenty-six wives, and most of the elders more than one and sometimes a "baker's dozen" of helpmeets; it was no unusual thing to hear of a Mormon marrying two sisters, and it frequently occurred that a man would marry a mother and her daughter at the same time. In conversation with Brigham Young, that dignitary told him that his strange community had seriously thought at one time of settling in Vancouver Island; but as the proposition was discouraged by the British Government it was not pressed. We regret that we have not room for an extended notice of this interesting lecture.

A BISHOP AND A RECTOR IN CONFLICT.—Bishop Colenso has been making a visitation to the coast of Africa, preaching in the churches to large congregations, and making himself acquainted with the people. He preached in the three churches of Durban without any interruption whatever; but at Verulam, a small town about 20 miles from Durban, there was "a scene." The rector had the altar furniture removed, leaving within the rails (says the Natal Mercury) nothing but a deal table, a soap box and one chair in which he had seated himself, having first had the entrance within the rails fastened up by a bar of wood. The Bishop removed the bar, went in and sat down on the box, but a choir was afterwards brought. The incumbent beginning to read an address or protest, Dr. Blaine, resident magistrate and churchwarden, said, "Sir, we are here for Divine service, and this is out of order altogether." The reverend gentleman, however, concluded his address, but made no further opposition remaining in his seat and taking no part in the service. At other places the bishop appears to have been well received.

NANAIMO ITEMS.—We have the Gazette, of February 9th: A Chinaman, cast away on an island, near Nanaimo, was rescued the other day by Indians, after having subsisted for twenty three days on snow! When found, he was quite fat and hearty, when his low diet is considered. The amateur performance netted \$80. The bark Amethyst is on the way from San Francisco to load with coal. The proprietors of the Cornish Farm, near Nanaimo, have been fined \$23 and costs for removing a fence erected by another farmer, named Westwood. It appears that the Cornishman believed that the fence obstructed a public road, and undertook to remove it.

AMATEUR DRAMATIC CLUB.—A meeting of this Association was held at the Boomerang yesterday, and it was resolved that a performance should be given at the theatre, on Friday, the 22nd inst., in aid of the funds of the Club. When it is considered that all the performances of this association hitherto have been for the benefit of useful and charitable institutions, we feel assured that the public will give our Amateur Dramatists a bumper to assist in replenishing their wardrobe &c. It is said that a favorite amateur lately released from the trammels of public office, will make his reappearance on this occasion.

NARROW ESCAPE.—A woman engaged in washing a window of a cottage on the Esquimalt road, yesterday afternoon, narrowly escaped death. She was called from her work by a Chinese pedlar, and while conversing with him, was again attracted to the window by a sound of breaking glass, when she found that a conical rifle ball had passed through and shattered one of the panes, and buried itself in a door frame at the opposite side of the room. The ball was apparently fired from a neighboring clump of bushes.

A "SYMPATHIZER," from the American side, has left a twenty-dollar gold piece at this office for Mr. Perkin, the unfortunate collier who lost his sight by premature explosion. We hope that everybody will assist the poor man to the extent of his means. One acknowledgement will be given through our columns for contributions left with us in aid of this most worthy object of charity: "He that giveth to the poor lendeth to the Lord."

THE DEATH of a remarkable rabbi of the Jewish Church of Germany is announced. M. Frank was a native of Wilna, born in the year 1759, so that he had attained his 108th year. At that advanced period of life he was without any of the infirmities of old age; his hearing was perfect, he read without spectacles, and took long walks up to the last week of his life.

THE THEATRE will be opened by Messrs. Marsh, Lafont and others, this evening, and will continue open on Friday and Saturday evening. The admittance will be fixed at 50 and 25 cents. The favorite Jenny Arnott will appear, and a most attractive bill has been prepared.

FOR NEW WESTMINSTER.—The steamer Otter, Capt. Lewis, sailed yesterday morning for the temporary abiding place of the Government. Among the passengers were Hons. Stamp, DeCosmos, Helmcken, Pemberton and Mr McCrea.

SALE OF SUGAR AND COFFEE.—The entire invoice of sugar and coffee was sold yesterday, by Mr McCrea, at auction. The sugar, comprising 1000 kegs, brought from \$6 65 to \$6 70 for No. 1, and \$5 50 to \$6 25 for No. 2. The coffee brought 20s to 20½s.

THE PIXLEY FAMILY delighted a numerous audience at the New Concert Room, on Tuesday evening. The little ladies are talented and accomplished, and the entertainment is conducted in an unexceptionable manner.

FOR AUSTRALIA.—Mr Geo. E. Nias, for many years connected with the press of this Colony, leaves to-day for Australia via the Sound, with a view to a permanent settlement there.

MME. D'ORMY'S CONCERT, last evening was an entire success. The performers, both instrumental and vocal, excelled themselves, and the Madame never sang with more spirit or better taste.

LIVELY.—The U. S. Revenue Cutter Lincoln, from Puget Sound; the steamer Diana, from San Juan Island, and the steamer Isabel, from Nanaimo, entered the harbor in company yesterday.

Europe.

LONDON, Feb. 5.—Ross Winans has contracted with Russia to build 600 locomotives.

Advices from Manchester gives an unfavorable account of the market. Goods, yarns and breadstuffs tend downwards. Wheat has declined 2 pence per quintal.

BERLIN, Feb. 5.—The Duke of Flanders, heir apparent of Belgium, is soon to marry Princess Hollern Zollern.

BERLIN, Feb. 5.—Prince Frederick Charles is named as a candidate in Berlin for the North German Parliament.

The World's Dispatch says the British wheat crop is sixty-four millions of bushels short. Russia and California only have a surplus to meet the demand. The stock in store on this side is four million bushels, being two thirds the quantity in store last year.

BERLIN, February 5.—The Bavarian Prince, Jura Taxis, whose family two or three centuries ago enjoyed the monopoly of the German Postal service, has disposed of the right to Prussia for \$25,000,000.

London telegrams from Florence say the Italian Church bill was defeated.

PARIS, February 4.—Imprisonment for debt is to be abolished in France.

The Emperor has refused to allow General Prim of Spain, the revolutionist, to remain in France.

It is estimated that the value of the goods already received for the exposition amounts to five millions.

The first iron-clad man-of-war ordered by the Japanese government is now being built at Toulon.

It is reported that the King of Greece is about to marry the Princess Imperial of Russia.

LONDON, February 4.—The steamer Undine, ordered built for the Emperor of Mexico, will be finished soon, and will sail for Vera Cruz.

Labor riots in Belgium were ceasing. The resignation of Count Belcredi has been accepted by the Emperor of Austria, and Baron Von Beust was made President of the Council of State.

LONDON, February 3.—Earl Arburgers' Cretan fund is a great success.

Lord Cowley, the British Minister at Paris, has resigned.

ST. PETERSBURG, Feb. 3.—A direct mail has been established between St. Petersburg and Pekin, the trip to be made within 48 days.

PARIS, Feb. 3.—Serious labor riots have occurred at the little town of Marchiennes, department of Nord, near Lille. The French troops were ordered out to quell the disturbance, and several rioters were killed.

A grande fête was given to the officers of the U. S. frigate Colorado at Ville Franche Sur. Some friendly speeches were made, and toasts drank, and the enthusiasm was unbounded.

VIENNA, Feb. 3.—A radical change in the Ministry is pending.

BERLIN, Feb. 4.—It is reported that the Government of Prussia and Bavaria are arranging a treaty of alliance offensive and defensive.

FLORENCE, Feb. 4.—The Italian Parliament has established capital punishment.

LONDON, Feb. 2.—Evening.—It is said that the plans of Government do not embrace the introduction of a reform bill. The subject of the reform will merely be recommended to the consideration of Parliament.

PARIS, Feb. 2.—The La Presse thinks the presence of an American squadron in the Mediterranean only complicates the eastern question.

BERLIN, Feb. 2.—Count Bismarck refused to declare the policy to be pursued by Germany with reference to the differences between France and Belgium on one side and Prussia on the other.

PARIS, Jan. 30.—The French man-of-war Bellone has sailed for the Pacific.

Count Bismarck has been put in nomination for the German Parliament.

Berlin dispatches states that the Cretan war has been renewed—the terms of the Sublime Porte being scornfully rejected. A battle has been fought, but the result is not stated. Much enthusiasm is manifested on both sides, and the war is spreading to the neighboring Islands.

FLORENCE, Jan. 29.—Admiral Persiano has been acquitted of the charge of cowardice.

FLORENCE, Jan. 30.—Persiano, though acquitted of cowardice, is to be tried for incompetency and disobedience of orders.

The Vienna surveys for the new boundary between Austria and Italy are fully completed.

LONDON, Jan. 27.—Two clippers, the Louis Walsh and Charlotte White, from Callao to Europe, sailing on a race, reached Gibraltar in 14 days, the Walsh winning by 25 minutes.

California.

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 6.—An exciting race came off over the Ocean House track yesterday afternoon, between Katy Tricks and Emigrant, Emigrant won the first heat; the second was decided to be a dead heat; and the third was won by Emigrant by less than a head. The race was to harness, two miles and repeat; time 5:45, 5:32, 5:35.

The jury in the case of Charles Kembell v. Joseph Wallace et al, rendered a verdict for plaintiff for \$760 damage in the Twelfth District Court this morning. The action was brought to recover \$30,000 damages for malicious prosecution, the defendant having attached plaintiff's store at Pescadero for a debt which was abundantly secured by a mortgage on other property, in consequence of which plaintiff claims that Wallace et al were actuated through malice.

Floor—Superfine hf sks \$5 25 to \$5 50, gr sks \$5 50 to \$5 75; extra hf sks \$5 75 to \$6 00, gr sks \$6 00 to \$6 25.

Wheat—Export buyers to a great extent are holding off, and consequently there is but little doing. Large quantities continue to arrive from the interior, having for the most part been purchased prior to arrival. Coast wheat is quoted at \$1 60, choice shipping for export \$1 75.

Barley—Continues dull; feed 80c; brewing 90c per 100 lbs.

Judge Cowles to-day ordered the commitment to issue in the case of Peter D. Wells, the defaulting Gold Hill agent of Wells, Fargo & Co., that he will be taken to the State prison without further delay.

Eastern States.

NEW YORK, Feb. 5.—It is stated as a fact by merchants interested in the China trade, that the Rajah of Borneo has granted to Americans, under the title of the American Trading Company of Borneo, the entire Northern part of the Island, with three adjacent Islands, and jurisdiction over the inhabitants.

The Grand Jury, at Washington, yesterday presented an indictment against John H. Suratt.

Cyrus W. Field leaves for London on Wednesday, to have a cable laid from Hart's Content to Boston.

NEW YORK, Jan. 27.—Joel Lindsey, who has been on trial at Albany, New York, for whipping his child to death, was found guilty of manslaughter in the second degree.

The Times' special dispatch says a New York broker, of respectable, charges that \$50,000 have been subscribed in New York, as an inducement for pushing the impeachment.

One broker is mentioned who subscribed \$5,000. It does not appear that the money was paid.

In the House to-day, Ashley, of Ohio, addressed the members holding seats on the Democratic side, who co-operated with the rebels.

Winifred, of New York, took exception to the remark, and denounced it as utterly untrue, and a base, unfounded slander.

Hunter, a new member, elected from the Brooklyn District, added that so far as he was concerned, it was a base lie.

Hill, of New Jersey, called Hunter to order, and the Speaker ruled that the words used were out of order.

Hill, of New York, moved a vote of censure against Hunter. Carried, 94 to 34.

The Speaker briefly administered a reprimand to Hunter, who stated that he used the language in a moment of irritation, and intended no disrespect to the House.

Ashley made an explanation; his remarks were intended to apply to those here or elsewhere who, during or since the war, were in close alliance with those in opposition, who had worked against supplies, discouraged enlistments, encouraged desertion and organized a conspiracy to overthrow the Government, and he intended them to apply to no other persons.

It is understood that the following answer was returned to an invitation received by Senator Sumner and lady to attend the Presidential State Dinner: Mr and Mrs Sumner regret that they will be unable to accept the invitation of Mr and Mrs Johnson.

KANSAS, Jan. 30.—The Kansas House of Representatives to-day, after a long discussion, passed a resolution to submit to the people the question of striking the word "white" from the Constitution.

The correspondence between Seward and Motley, relative to the resignation of the latter, embraced two letters. Seward says he had been informed that Motley had spoken of him as a decrepit old man, and asked what Motley had to say to the charge. Motley said he would not stoop to make a denial. He said he had expressed himself freely concerning the President and Congress, and thinks distinctions on account of color should be abolished by Constitutional amendment and general amnesty. He then tenders his resignation without assigning a cause.

Canada.

NEW YORK, Jan. 28.—The Herald's Ottawa special says orders have been issued for the removal of Lynch, McMahon and others, condemned Fenian prisoners, to the Kingston penitentiary.

The Mystery reached Port Townsend in safety on Friday morning.

There were no cases before the Police Magistrate yesterday.

The Fidelity carried 15 passengers for Portland yesterday.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS.

Specially Reported for the British Colonist.

Monday's Sitting.

MESSAGERS.—Message No. 1 from Governor read that in another Colony with which connected it was decided that the H. Assembly was not entitled as of right put in possession of the Royal Instructions in compliance with the wishes Council, copy of portions required resolutions were enclosed. Ordered: Message No. 2, enclosing the statement of the Auditor General on the Accounts of Vancouver Island, and whether it was the wish of the Council the books should be examined or closed to 19th November.

The Auditor General to the Private Secretary.—AUDIT OFFICE, Dec. 14, 1866.—I have the honor to report information of His Excellency the Governor in accordance with instructions made enquiry as to the position of the Accounts of Vancouver Island at the date, and I have to state the result investigation as follows:

- 1.—The Treasurer's Cash Book for has been examined by the Auditor, abstracts completed. The posting of tries into the ledger has not been finished nor the annual account current made. 2.—The audit of the accounts of the Fund has been completed for 1865. 3.—The Collector's cash books, viz Harbor Master's, Post Office, Land Police Court, Supreme Court, and No Agent are yet to be examined for 1865. 4.—The Treasurer's cash book for 1865 has been examined to the end of July, proportion of the payment vouchers July to the present date have been examined and receipt vouchers for August and September. 5.—The Treasurer's books are not for 1866. 6.—All the Collector's books for 1865 have been examined. 7.—The Crown Fund Account has been audited for 1865.

I have, &c., (Signed) ROBERT K. AUDITOR GENERAL.

The Auditor General to the Colonial Secretary.—To complete the examination of Vancouver Island accounts so that I certify the Account Current, and financial Statements required, it would take six months industrious work, at a rate at the rate last voted for auditing House of Assembly, \$100 per month \$500 to \$600.

To finish the auditing of the Treasurer's cash book entries for October—generally largest month in the whole year—it will take six weeks to two months, at the rate above—\$150 or \$200.

I have, &c., (Signed) ROBERT K. AUDITOR GENERAL.

Ordered printed, and to be considered Committee of the Whole.

HEAD MONEY—TONNAGE DUES.—Hon Helmcken asked whether it was intention of the Government to repeal head money? No members had ever charged on attending Council, and it was to ask that it be refunded as the had no doubt gone long ago (laughter) was an unfair tax and ought to be repealed.

Hon President said it was the intention of the Government to repeal the head money tonnage dues. They were both unfair [hear, hear].

COASTING TRADE.—Hon Helmcken asked whether Government intended to amend the law relating to the coasting trade? It was the most important of our industrial pursuits, and sooner it was confined to British ships and ships the better; protection was lately necessary for the prosperity of the Colony. Competition was not the spirit in this instance; it was unfair the larger facilities possessed by our bora.

Hon President said the question foreign bottoms was not settled, and probably be left to the House. It was ever, the intention of Government to duce a licensing system that would apply to the interior and the coast.

TRADE LICENCES.—Hon Helmcken would ask leave to duce a bill to repeal the Trades Licenses Act of Vancouver Island, which was unfit for present circumstances; but he had no members who would say that it was intention of Government to repeal it be satisfied.

Hon President admitted that the law unjust, and it was the intention of Government to introduce a bill in regard to the similar cases of licences. The Act would be repealed [hear, hear].

STANDING ORDERS.—On motion, the Standing Orders amended to obviate the necessity of obtaining notice of motion.

Hon Robson obtained leave to move repeal of the clause restricting the admission of strangers to the Council.

INDEMNITY BILL.—On motion of Hon Crease, the Indemnity Ordinance, 1867, passed second reading Council went into Committee of the Whole Hon Sanders in the chair, and Ordinance reported complete.

VICTORIA INCORPORATION BILL.—On motion of Hon Macdonald, the bill amending a certain By-law passed second reading and through Council, and was reported complete.

Council adjourned till Tuesday.

Tuesday's Sitting.—Council met at 3 p.m. Present: Birch (President), Crease, Wood, H. Brown, Ball, Macdonald, Helmcken, DeC Stamp, Pemberton, Cox and Trutch.