

Regarding Bridges

Council Will Probably Ask Government for Appropriation for Point Ellice Structure.

An Unusually Busy Session of Salons Last Evening—General Business.

The city council held an unusually busy session last evening. Discussion of a very important matter arose during the latter part of the meeting over the report of the special committee appointed to deal with the Williams' resolution regarding the advisability of constructing a bascule bridge across the harbor at the foot of Johnson street. It was pointed out that instead of pressing for this bridge at once, it would be more advisable to urge upon the government the desirability of assisting in the construction of a new Point Ellice bridge, as being more important at the present time.

It is altogether probable that strong representations to this effect will be made by the city in the course of a few days.

After the ordinary preliminaries came communications. The city clerk read the following telegraphic correspondence between the council and Sir Louis Davies relative to the Songhes reserve question:—

(Copy of Telegram Sent.)
 April 24th, 1901.
 Hon. Clifford Sitton, Minister of the Interior, Ottawa:

Corporation Victoria urges liberal consideration of claim to certain portions of Songhes Indian reserve, particularly to one thousand rectangular feet water frontage along southern boundary, for wharfage purposes. Letter following:—
 (Signed) W. J. DOWLER, City Clerk.

Ottawa, Ont., April 25, 1901.
 W. J. Dowler, City Clerk, Victoria, B. C.:
 Telegram received. Ample opportunity will be given corporation Victoria to submit views respecting Songhes reserve before any final arrangement made.

CLIFFORD SITTON.
 Received and filed.

Joshua Davies protested against paying the license of \$100 per annum imposed on auctioneers when retail and wholesale merchants were only charged \$10 per year. Some of the latter, he pointed out, did more than ten times the amount of trading than the auctioneers, and he characterized the discrimination as unjust and the charge exorbitant. He asked the council to reconsider the amount. Referred to finance committee.

W. Ridgway Wilson, on behalf of the client, P. G. Vernon, directed attention to what he considers an injustice effected by a clause in the new by-law regarding the thickness of walls, toward Mr. Vernon, who in the course of an operation, to improve his premises on Douglas street. He pointed out that some exception should be made in the cases of existing buildings. Referred to a special building committee consisting of Aids. Brydon, Stewart and Cooley, together with the city solicitor and building inspector, to report.

Ald. Beckwith asked for information regarding the new by-law, and the city solicitor explained that separate copies had been published and had been in the hands of the city clerk a fortnight. The book would be published in about ten days.

Fred G. Seixus, in the interest of the Northwest Magazine, published in St. Paul, Minnesota, asked the corporation of the city council, in the arrangement of a special article dealing with the advantages of this city.

In this connection the mayor mentioned a request for advertising patronage in the New York Commercial, had been made, and he suggested that both these matters be referred to the advertising committee. This course was adopted.

In St. Clair asked that a boat landing be placed at the foot of Pleasant street. Referred to city engineer for report.

David Parcell called attention to dangerous state of Jesse street, Victoria West. Referred to the city engineer for report.

C. C. Moody, of mine fame, wrote at length regarding his project. Insufficiency of space in the present issue prevents publication of the communication, which was referred to the finance committee.

Mrs. E. Blyth, recently of Winnipeg, applied for position of stenographer at the city headquarters. The application having been addressed to the mayor, his worship pointed out that he had brought it to the attention of the council to see whether or not a stenographer was required at the fire inquiry.

The communication was received and filed, the consensus of opinion being that a stenographer was not required during the remainder of the fire inquiry.

The city barrister and solicitor reported as follows:

Victoria, B. C., April 24th, 1901.
 His Worship the Mayor and Board of Aldermen, Victoria B. C.:
 Gentlemen:—We have the honor to report upon the questions submitted to us:

1. That we cannot advise the council that the Municipal Clauses Act confers on them the right to carry out the works and undertakings contemplated in the petition of the 12th April, 1901, received by the council from taxpayers.
 2. Upon the council, as the local board of health determining whether upon complaint or upon their own initiative, that the existence and state and condition of the mud flats constitute a nuisance dangerous to public health, we think the work of filling and levelling and accessory works may be carried out by the council at the expense of the municipality, such works as may be necessary to remove the nuisance.
 3. Upon the council receiving a petition in accordance with section 50 of the M. C. Act, the money necessary to carry out the work can, we think, be borrowed by the council, as the cost is not proposed to be defrayed out of the current annual revenue.
 4. To enable the council to carry out the wishes of the petitioners mentioned in the

petition of the 12th April an amending section to section 50 should be sought from the legislature, and this amendment has been carried in.

As to the title to the land of the James Bay mud flats for the purpose of the works contemplated, we consider the corporation has ample legal right and authority under the act of council of 1888 to exercise every act of ownership over the land to the east of present bridge, and we may add that there should be no difficulty in obtaining a conveyance from the practice legislation to meet any claim of title in the province, and special provision is being made for this by a short act now being introduced.

We have the honor to be, gentlemen,
 Your obedient servants,
 W. J. TAYLOR,
 J. M. BRADBURN.

Received and filed.
 In regard to this matter Aid. Yates stated that he had been interviewed by an influential gentleman who expressed his intention of making a proposition to the council on their acquisition of the title.

The city engineer submitted a report on several matters connected with civic improvements which had been handed to him to examine and report upon. The report referred to the streets, sewers and bridges committee, though Aid. Beckwith moved that the report be taken up at once and discussed serially.

The city assessor reported that the signatories of the High school building petition represented property assessed at \$2,288,041 more than the required one-fifth of the assessment of the city. He was instructed to draw up a by-law.

M. E. Wynne and other proprietors and journeymen barbers petitioned for a by-law making Sunday closing of barber establishments compulsory. Aid. Williams moved, seconded by Aid. Brydon, that the petition be complied with.

Asked if the city had power to pass a by-law of this nature, the city solicitor replied that section 108 of the general act gave the council this authority. He said, Cameron favored the by-law, while Aid. Yates believed that some expression of opinion from the public should be obtained on this question.

Finally, after a brief discussion, the motion of Aid. Williams was adopted. Tenders for repairs to steam roller were read as follows: Victoria Machinery Depot, \$345; Marine Iron Works, \$290; Albion Iron Works, \$220.

A tender for cement from R. P. Rithet at \$3.30 per barrel was read and laid on the table. The tender for tar from the Victoria Gas Works of 15 cents per gallon was likewise laid on the table.

The tenders for police clothing were referred to the police commissioners and purchasing agent. Aid. Cameron and Beckwith were added to the referees.

John W. Dixon, formerly of the first Canadian contingent, applied for a clerical position. Laid on the table.

The special committee appointed to deal with Aid. Williams' proposal for the construction of a bridge across the harbor at the foot of Johnson street made an interim report, and suggested that in view of the appropriation made by the government for the construction of a bridge across the Fraser at New Westminster, representations be made to the members of the local legislature to secure the appropriation of \$33,000 for the Johnson street bridge.

Ald. Williams, chairman of the committee, said the government had been interviewed and the suggestion just made virtually emanated from it.

Ald. Brydon wondered what the basic bridge matter had to do with the proposal to construct a bridge across the Fraser. The cases were not parallel. He was a member of the committee, but had not been advised of its meeting, and consequently did not sign the report. He pointed out that the committee was supposed to interview the government, and he considered it ridiculous for it to come back to the council with a request that the members of the legislature be requested to assist in securing the appropriation desired.

Ald. Williams explained that the estimates were now before the House and it was urgent that the matter be decided upon by the council at once.

The mayor pointed out that this would possibly detract from the possibility of gaining the government's assistance in the construction of Point Ellice bridge. The city had spent \$250,000 as a result of the accident, for which he believed the government was morally responsible. He believed if the latter were approached they would make an appropriation for Point Ellice bridge.

Ald. Kinsman thought the government should be pressed in the strongest terms on this point. It was a shame that the ratapayers should bear the cost of that accident and he believed it was the duty of the government to assist.

Ald. Yates felt that the government felt that it was morally culpable in regard to the Point Ellice bridge accident, and that they were inclined to grant assistance for this work. He favored taking the matter up strongly.

Ald. Cameron suggested that a committee be appointed to interview the government regarding Point Ellice bridge question; the matter was of paramount importance and should be considered before the Johnson street bridge.
 The mayor advised that a memorial petition of ratapayers be presented to the government, which would have more weight.

A great deal of discussion ensued in which the committee met after a conference with the property owners, Tramway Co. and E. & N. Railway Co., the government might have given some satisfaction.

Ald. Williams informed the council rather tartly that they did not know what the committee had done. There was a disposition on the part of the council to usurp the credit of securing an appropriation of \$33,000. The committee was finally given further time to report, despite the objection of the chairman, Aid. Williams, who wanted the matter closed at once.

The report of the streets, bridges and sewers committee was taken as read. It was adopted.

The finance committee recommended

the appropriation of \$14,000 out of the revenue for expenses.
 The mayor's motion regarding the mud flats stood over and the council adjourned.

SMUGGLING CHINESE.

Washington Authorities Endeavoring to Take Steps to Prevent Nefarious Traffic.

Washington authorities are alarmed over the number of Mongolian coolies being smuggled into the state from British Columbia. A representative of the United States customs department is now consulting with the officials of the Canadian department as to means by which the evil may be remedied, says a Seattle paper.

There are two points where the Chinese come to Washington from the Doan. One of these is Cloverdale, a small town on the Great Northern, just across the line from Blaine. It is a quiet place—one or two houses, a water tank and the other railroad buildings, but the chief stopping place of the majority of Chinese on the Canadian side. They reach the town from New Westminster and other Fraser river points.

Stopping at Cloverdale a party of Chinese rest until night. They do this in the woods, where they will be unobserved, for the American customs officials have scouts at the town.

Nine times out of ten the party gets through unmolested. Once in a while one of their number is afterward caught by some watchful official and is shipped back to Canada. Three or four Chinese are captured each month, but they represent a small proportion of the number who slip by. With the small force of men at their disposal the customs officials can do next to nothing in the way of watching the main routes, trails that wander through the deep woods.

Another point of emigration for British Columbia Chinese is the month of the Fraser river. Many of the coolies land during the past year come from some spot at the end of the Fraser river delta in small sloops. Skirting the shore by night these sloops have landed their passengers below the town of Blaine, whence they have come on into this country.

APRIL WEDDING BELLS.
 Two Well Known Young People United in Matrimony Yesterday Afternoon.

Yesterday afternoon Rev. E. P. Flewelling, of Kamloops, united in wedlock Thomas Hope Leeming, son of Edward J. Leeming, of Menzies street, and Elizabeth Bernice Gertrude, second daughter of Ralph Borthwick, of Quebec street. The ceremony took place in St. James church, the officiating clergyman having come down from Kamloops to tie the nuptial knot. The bride was attended by Miss Isabel Leeming, and was given away by her brother, Mr. George Borthwick, of Kamloops. The bridegroom was supported by the groom's maternal uncle, Mr. Leeming, and the wedding repast was enjoyed at the residence of the bride's parents. Both the bride and bridegroom are well known in this city and Kamloops, and the large number of handsome presents attested their popularity. The bridegroom is accountant in the office of the Inland Sentinel, Kamloops. Mr. and Mrs. Leeming will visit Harrison Hot Springs, after 1400 mi. will return to Kamloops, their future home.

LEGAL NEWS.
 Judgment in Delmonico-Savooy Case—Chambers List.

Mr. Justice Drake delivered judgment in the Felgenbaum v. Jackson case in which the plaintiff, the proprietress of the Delmonico, claimed damages from the proprietors of the Savooy for having erected a wall which shut out the light from certain windows of the Delmonico. The case was dismissed with costs.

The following is the Chambers list of applications heard this morning:—
 Goon Gau et al. v. Walker et al.—Application for a writ of habeas corpus. To stand over until the 1st of May.
 Morrissey v. Morrissey—Application to dismiss action for want of prosecution. Summons withdrawn, order by consent, as terms in letter from plaintiff's solicitor to defendant.

Cuthbert v. B. C. Gold Fields—Application to fix trial. Allowed to stand over until to-morrow.
 In the Admiralty court Smith v. Emura of Japan was heard. This was an application for payment out of monies deposited. Adjournd till to-morrow.

NANAIMO NOTES.
 Nanaimo, April 30.—A mass meeting of Extension and Wellington miners called for Wednesday, has been postponed till Saturday, when Hon. J. Dunscombe can be present.

Samples of gold quartz from Walter Pianta's new discovery on Texada island were exhibited here to-day. It was a large sack from the vein being sent to Seattle for assay.
 Moran's employees are still camped at Union waiting the decision of the Dominion government.

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Mr. Turner's Successor

Mr. J. C. Brown, it is Rumored, Will be the Next Finance Minister.

Capt. Tatlow's Position—The Government Again Busy With Various Deputations.

There was a general impression in government ranks that a second caucus of the party to the right of the Speaker would be held this forenoon. This did not materialize, the government being engaged all morning in hearing deputations.

The first deputation to wait on them consisted of about twenty-five cannery men, most of whom were from the Mainland, who asked the government to assume the control of the fisheries of the province and to introduce legislation in the same connection. A sub-committee of the deputation was appointed to confer with the Attorney-General. Whatever action the government may take will follow this conference and negotiation with Ottawa. The deputation consisted of G. J. Wilson, Dr. Bell Irving, Wm. Farrell, J. A. Russell, R. A. Leonard, J. J. Mulhall, W. Morris, Mr. Anderson (of W. A. Ward), Mr. Kirk (of Turner, Beeton & Co.), J. A. Spencer, R. J. Ker, Coas, Ed. G. Gurdis (secretary of the Cannery Association), F. Carter-Gotton and C. H. Luginer were also present. They were met by Messrs. Turner, Prentice, Wells, McBride and Eberts, representing the government.

Another deputation waited on the ministry and was introduced by Price Ellison. It consisted of Mayor McQueen, President Fife, of the Vernon board of trade, and others, who asked for a guarantee by the government for the Vernon & Midway railway for a period of five years.

The announcement by Hon. Mr. Turner yesterday that he would shortly retire from public life revives speculation regarding his successor. Rightly or wrongly, it is noticeably associated with the name most frequently mentioned in connection with the succession is not that of one of the members on the right of the House, but of Mr. J. C. Brown, of New Westminster, one of the opposition members.

Mr. Brown's name was mentioned in Mr. Martin's cabinet. Some of the members are positive in their statement that his advance in the cabinet is the next surprise in store for the House.

Another speech of Capt. Tatlow yesterday, when he made his declaration of independence of the government, has excited a great deal of interest, his precise words in that connection are here given:—

"As honorable gentlemen opposite have stated their position, I will take advantage of the latitude allowed in this debate to place mine before the House. To go back to the financial burden imposed upon it by reason of the said accident;—

"Therefore be it resolved that the provincial government be and the same is hereby respectfully and urgently recommended to assist the municipality in the construction of a new and permanent bridge at Point Ellice, which will be amply sufficient to meet all traffic requirements at that point, by an appropriation out of the provincial revenue of, at least, the sum of \$75,000, to be applied towards defraying the cost of construction of the said proposed new bridge."

SOUTH SALT SPRING NOTES.
 (Special Correspondence of the Times.)
 At the home of Mr. and Mrs. Theo. Trage, on the 14th inst., a very happy event occurred, when their daughter Clara was united in marriage with Mr. David Maxwell. The ceremony was performed shortly before 12 o'clock by Rev. R. J. Irwin, in the presence of the immediate relatives and friends of the families interested. The bride was very prettily attired in cream silk, and was attended by her sister, Miss Berth Trage, while Mr. James Maxwell performed the duties of groomsmen. After congratulations were over with the usual compliments to the happy pair received a large assortment of pretty presents, both serviceable and decorative. Mr. and Mrs. Maxwell are commencing their married life on their farm near the Divide.

Edward Lee is building a large and commodious barn, which will add much to the appearance of his farm, as well as more amply meeting the needs of his increasing agricultural products.

The Methodist people of the valley gave a very interesting evening's entertainment a short time ago at Burgenoy, which was well attended, despite the continual downpour of rain. On Tuesday evening last a merry load of eleven droves across the Island to Ganges, twelve miles. In company with a number of the people there a most delightful entertainment was given. The programme was select in every way, and those present expressed their appreciation of the entertainment.

The farmers all over the Island have been very busy lately cultivating and planting and sowing. The greater number have their crops in, and the remainder will be through in a few days.

A VERY REMARKABLE REMEDY.
 "It is with a good deal of pleasure and satisfaction that I recommend Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy," says Druggist A. W. Sawtelle, of Hartford, Conn. "A lady customer, seeing the remedy exposed for sale on my show case, said to me: 'I really believe that medicine saved my life the past summer while at the shore,' and she became so enthusiastic over its merits that I at once made up my mind to recommend it in the future. Recently a gentleman came into my store so overcome with pain that he sank at once to the floor. I gave him a dose of this remedy which helped him. I repeated the dose and in fifteen minutes he left my store smilingly informing me that he felt as well as ever." Sold by Henderson Brothers, Wholesale Agents.

FOR A NEW BRIDGE.

The Resolution to Be Recommended by Mayor at Special Meeting of Council To-Night.

The city council will have a busy time of it to-night. They will meet at 7:30 o'clock to consider a very important resolution to be recommended by the mayor, as mentioned last evening, urging upon the provincial government to appropriate the sum of \$75,000 to assist in the construction of a new Point Ellice bridge. After this matter has been dealt with, the fire inquiry will be resumed. The mayor's resolution is as follows:—

"Whereas on the 26th day of May, 1898, a lamentable accident occurred at Point Ellice whereby the bridge crossing Victoria Arm at that point collapsed and a large car crowded with passengers besides other vehicles, and foot passengers, were precipitated into the water, causing great loss of life and serious bodily injury to a number of the survivors;—

"And whereas the said bridge was constructed by the provincial government and was in every respect of the nature and character of those bridges which have since been proved to have been faulty and incorrect, the weight of the bridge after construction being in excess of that assumed by the designers, thereby reducing proportionately the carrying capacity of the bridge;—

"And whereas permission was given by the said government to the Tramway Company to run their cars without restriction as to weight of same, etc., over the said bridge, and the said bridge was handed over to the corporation of the city of Victoria, without warning as to its capacity for car traffic or as to the said misleading and incorrect assumptions;—

"And whereas the city authorities relying upon the action of the provincial government as not having been taken without careful investigation, did not make a critical examination of said plans and strain sheets, but assumed the safety of said bridge, and allowed the traffic on it as before;—

"And whereas by reason of the foregoing assumptions in design and calculation, the said bridge collapsed as aforesaid, involving the city, in the settlement of claims arising out of the accident in pecuniary liability amounting, at the present time, to over \$250,000, with a further prospective liability of several thousands of dollars (not taking into consideration the indirect losses that cannot be estimated);—

"And whereas the Tramway Company existing at the time of the accident availed itself of the technicalities of the law to re-construct the company and escape its share of the loss occasioned by the disaster;—

"And whereas the whole financial burden of the disaster has fallen directly upon the city of Victoria, and in addition thereto the cost of the construction of the present temporary bridge, and of a new and permanent structure, at great expense in order to provide for further accommodating the increasing travel to and from the suburbs and outlying districts, has been and is, entailed upon the city;—

"And whereas in consideration of these facts, and others which might be mentioned, this council is of opinion that the provincial government should share the burden of the financial burden imposed upon it by reason of the said accident;—

"Therefore be it resolved that the provincial government be and the same is hereby respectfully and urgently recommended to assist the municipality in the construction of a new and permanent bridge at Point Ellice, which will be amply sufficient to meet all traffic requirements at that point, by an appropriation out of the provincial revenue of, at least, the sum of \$75,000, to be applied towards defraying the cost of construction of the said proposed new bridge."

As a result of this resolution, it is believed that the province will be called upon to contribute towards the cost of the bridge.

The city council will also deal with the fire inquiry and other business.

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"Companies Act, 1897."

I hereby certify that the "Key City Copper Mining Company" has this day been registered as an Extra-Provincial Company under the "Companies Act, 1897," in pursuance of the provisions of the said Act, and that the said company is entitled to the benefits of the said Act, and that the said company is a legal body under the law of the Province of British Columbia, and that the said company is a legal body under the law of the Province of British Columbia, and that the said company is a legal body under the law of the Province of British Columbia.

The head office of the Company is situate in the City of Sacramento, State of California, U. S. A.
 The amount of the capital of the Company is \$100,000, divided into 100,000 shares of \$1 each.
 The head office of the Company in this Province is situate at the Key City Mine, near the town of Barkerville, in the County of Yukon, in the Province of British Columbia.
 Andrew Watson, mining operator, whose address is Key City Mine, Barkerville, is the attorney for the Company, and is empowered to issue or transfer shares.
 The time of the existence of the Company is fifty years.
 The said Company is limited.
 Given under my hand and seal of office this 27th day of March, one thousand nine hundred and one.
 (S.) S. Y. WOOLTON,
 Registrar of Joint Stock Companies.
 The following are the objects for which the Company has been established:
 To carry on and conduct the business of mining for gold, silver, copper, lead, zinc, tin, and other minerals, and to purchase, lease, buy, and mortgage, and otherwise acquire and hold land, and any and all other kinds of real property, and to do all and every act and thing which may be necessary to carry on and conduct the business of mining for gold, silver, copper, lead, zinc, tin, and other minerals, and to purchase, lease, buy, and mortgage, and otherwise acquire and hold land, and any and all other kinds of real property, and to do all and every act and thing which may be necessary to carry on and conduct the business of mining for gold, silver, copper, lead, zinc, tin, and other minerals, and to purchase, lease, buy, and mortgage, and otherwise acquire and hold land, and any and all other kinds of real property, and to do all and every act and thing which may be necessary to carry on and conduct the business of mining for gold, silver, copper, lead, zinc, tin, and other 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