

HAD APPROVAL OF THE CROWN

Lemieux's Mission to Japan Was Endorsed by Colonial Secretary in Federal House.

Ottawa, Jan. 23.—In the House today the premier brought down the communications which were exchanged between Earl Grey and the imperial government in relation to Mr. Lemieux's mission to Japan.

Four days later the colonial secretary replied giving a draft of the message which it was proposed to send to the ambassador at Tokio.

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WILL EXTEND THE PRESENT PLANT

City Council Decides not to use Gibbons' Property for Power Site.

After an important discussion lasting for four hours the city council last evening decided to abandon the Gibbons property, west of the city, as a site for the new power plant, and to install a new plant, consisting of a gas producer engine of 1,500 horse power and a 2,000 volt generator.

The question of the advisability of placing the new power plant upon the Gibbons property was discussed at some length. It was decided that unless there was a good supply of coal available it would not be worth the expense.

The council resolved itself into a committee of the whole to consider the question of the extension of the power plant and the pumping station.

Referring to the Wellington Colliery, Ross expressed his opinion that Dunsmuir had signed the contract on the advice of Gotoh's solicitor, Bower.

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HUDSON BAY RAILWAY.

Projected From Fort Simpson by B. C. Capitalists.

Victoria, B. C., Jan. 23.—A petition has been presented for a private bill to incorporate the Hudson Bay Pacific, which will shortly ask Ottawa for a federal charter for a railway from Fort Simpson to Fort Churchill.

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TWO LEADERS OF OPPOSITION

A. J. Robertson Disclaims Leadership of Party—Two Divisions Taken in Legislature.

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BIG REDUCTIONS IN PRICE OF LUMBER

British Columbia Manufacturers Are Forced to Dispose of Large Stock on Hand by Banks Demanding Reduction of Overdrafts.

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DISASTROUS FIRE IN BALTIMORE

Recalls Conflagration of February 1904. Million Dollar Fire in Portland.

Baltimore, Jan. 24.—The most disastrous fire in the history of Baltimore since the great conflagration of Feb. 1894 broke out at midnight in the rear of the printing, engraving and lithographing establishment of E. B. Roth, Sons & Co.

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CONFESED TO CONSTABLE

Sergt. Dubuque Gives Evidence in Trial of Wolesley Murderer.

Wolesley, Sask., Jan. 23.—The trial of Sam Prior for the murder of Rosa Wolesley, continuing, was that of Sergt. Dubuque, who deposed to interesting evidence given in the case today's proceedings.

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EDMONTON MAN APPOINTED

As Assistant to Ross in the Forestry Branch.

Ottawa, Jan. 23.—A. Mitchell, of Edmonton, has been appointed by the forestry branch of the department of the interior to act as assistant to Mr. Ross in the work of tree planting in the west.

THE WEEK'S BANK CLEARINGS.

Toronto, Jan. 24.—Bank clearings for the week ending Jan. 23 were as follows: Montreal, \$28,484,074.

Million Dollar Fire.

Portland, Maine, Jan. 24.—Fire today caused property loss of over a million dollars including the city hall and the police station.

Death of Brother of Member.

Chicago, Jan. 23.—John B. McKenny, husband of Clara McKenny, was the brother of Henry W. McKenny, M.P.P.

C.P.R. to Tap Seattle.

Vancouver, Jan. 23.—The Seattle papers declare the C.P.R. will be making large purchases of land and other arrangements to build to Seattle.

St. John Sells Bonds.

St. John, N.B., Jan. 23.—The city council at a special meeting this morning accepted the offer of J. Morrison Robinson & Sons, local bankers, to the issue of \$25,000 ten year 5 per cent bonds at 1/2 of 1 per cent premium.

A Weekly Steamship Service.

Italian Victim of Assault.

Toronto, Jan. 23.—A deep scalp wound was inflicted on the head, nose and ears and both eyes blackened.

Troops Home Via Canada.

Halifax, Jan. 23.—That the British soldiers of the 10th Battalion, Canadian rifle brigade, are on their way home via the Canadian route by sending a regiment on service in Hong Kong, home via the Canadian route.

N. B. Legislature Dissolves.

Fredericton, Jan. 23.—The New Brunswick legislature will be dissolved at once and the elections will be held early in March.

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North Middlesex Candidate.

Alba Craig, Jan. 23.—North Middlesex Liberal candidate, Thos. Turnbull for the legislature today.

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