

PAINT COMPANY ASK ASSISTANCE

FOR RE-ESTABLISHING THEIR PLANT IN CITY

Residents Petition for the Making of E. & N. Bridge Passable at All Times.

The British-American Paint Company have applied to the city council for assistance in the re-establishing of their business in this city.

Mr. Williams, secretary of the Vancouver Trades and Labor council, writes asking that some legislation be enacted for the government printing of school books.

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MUNICIPAL ACT UNDER DISCUSSION

Amendments Proposed by Legislative Committee With Respect to Licenses and Police Commissioners.

The municipal committee of the legislature met Tuesday and disposed of two important matters.

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ville and Menzies streets be constructed in connection with the C. P. R. docks, the city to pay one-third of the cost.

Ald. Hall's motion, recommending that Ald. Goodrich be appointed chairman of the council during the mayor's absence, was unanimously adopted.

LIVELY MEETING PROMISED.

When Report of Street Re-Naming Committee Comes Before the Council.

There promises to be a lively time on the next occasion the city council brings its deliberative faculty to bear upon the question of street re-naming.

Some solicitors are kindly volunteered to act as a sort of mentor to Ald. Hanna, and has been posting him with information relative to municipal matters in other towns in the shape of newspaper clippings.

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THE STORM IN CALIFORNIA.

Two Men Reported to Have Perished—Several Injured by Washing Away of Bridge.

Los Angeles, March 14.—The storm that swept southern California since last Sunday morning, from San Diego to Tehachapi mountains, interrupting all communication by wire with northern California.

Two men reported to have perished and several injured by the washing away of the Seventh street bridge; seven other bridges reported to be in a weakened condition; the damage to the government backing down with no legislation.

John Houston suggested a change in the law which would overcome the difficulty.

It was urged that Mr. Houston was actuated by personal feeling in the matter.

Mr. Houston denied it. He contended that the late election in Nelson had hinged on the question of municipal ownership of utilities, such as electric light and street railways, and in the suppression of public professional gambling.

The government held a long caucus Tuesday night, taking up the question of railway legislation. Nothing definite was done.

GEO. POWELL WILL CONDUCT THE CASE

IN PROSECUTION OF THE PERJURY CHARGE

Mr. Justice Duff Orders Police Magistrate to Proceed With the Hearing.

Monday afternoon Mr. Justice Duff decided in favor of the application of George Powell for a mandamus to compel the police magistrate to proceed with the hearing of the Chinese perjury case.

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SUBSTANTIAL DONATION

Received by Anti-Tuberculosis Society From Children's Ball Promoters.

Monday afternoon the monthly meeting of the Anti-Tuberculosis Society was held, when the following letter from Mrs. G. Simpson was read.

Madam President and Ladies—I take great pleasure in handing to you from Mrs. Dickenson and myself the sum of \$200.20, the result of the Children's Ball given by us on February 24th, in aid of the tuberculosis fund.

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STEAMER TACOMA SEIZED BY JAPS

CAPTURED WHEN SHE WORKED CLEAR OF ICE

The Vessel Sailed From Seattle In January—Was Loaded With Beef For Vladivostok.

An Associated press dispatch from Tokio of Wednesday's date says: "The American steamer Tacoma was seized by the Japanese guardship yesterday.

The fate of the Tacoma has been a matter of considerable speculation for many weeks. For long no reports were received of her.

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RECOMMENDATIONS OF BRITISH AMBASSADOR

Approves of Offer of United States For Purchase of Canadian Sealing Rights.

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