HOW NEW YEAR WAS CELEBRATED

PAY THEIR RESPECTS TO HIS HONOR

Reception Held by the Lieutenant-Governor Was Largely Attended.

(From Wednesday's Daily.)

New Year's day passed somewhat quietly in this city yesterday. The day was clear and bright, if somewhat sharp, and encouraged exercise. Services were held in St. Andrew's Roman Catholic cathedral at 8, while at 10.30 high mass was celebrated, the archbishop pontificating.

A special service was also held in St. Andrew's Presbyterian church, when the pastor preached.

In the afternoon Lieut.-Governor Dunsmuir received at Government House from 3 to 6 o'clock. The attendance was large, over 500 people calling to pay their respects to His Honor. Refreshments were served throughout the afternoon.

Amongst those who called were: W. R. Allen, Geo. T. Harvey, G. F. Grant, T. M. Baird, John Black, W. Walker, D. B. Bullen, A. W. Voldey, G. W. Macdonald, E. F. Hiscocks, E. A. Hiscocks, Thos. Pavadis, Mr. Justice Irving, Noah Shakespeare, Judge Harrison, H. T. Farrland, C. H. Lugrin, Thornton Fell, Rev. J. Campbell, J. C. M. Grahame, Geo. Courtney, A. J. Dallain, W. Wallace Grime, T. Stewart, Williams, J. S. Bowker, S. Phipps, A. J. Brace, T. Henderson, F. H. Eaton, R. W. Eaton, Major C. Bagnall, Capt. Martin, W. P. A. Harris, F. P. H. Haybor, W. G. Haybor, Cecil Ewart, E. P. Colley, L. S. Eaton, Howard Chapman, W. S. Fraser, N. Finch Page, Charles Hayward, A. Nelson, F. Elworthy, E. O. Scholefield, K. A. Scholefield, Jas. Forman, R. L. Newman, Dr. T. J. Jones, W. L. Challoner, S. Q. Bailey, E. B. Jones, C. E. Clarke, J. J. Collison, Wm. Jones, Jas. Parfitt, G. Thomson, J. A. Anderson, J. M. B. Smith, Lt.-Col. Wolfenden, E. B. McKay, H. C. Marsh, R. E. Brett, R. Hutchinson, E. Blackwood, J. D. McNiven, W. Henderson, T. Solly, J. K. Worsfold, C. M. Macdonald, A. E. Smith, H. Shotbolt, R. Hall, R. L. Drury, T. Davis, A. Longfield, A. Crease, C. Whitney, Jesse Longfield, W. J. Burnes, Edgar Fawcett, Edmund Pearson, W. E. Staneland, A. Graham, Capt. J. W. Troup, E. G. Russell, T. H. Gore, J. F. Arbuckle, L. Garrett, A. Harvey, Chas. Redfern, H. P. V. Farrell, E. D. Nerses, H. P. Layton, S. Machin, P. MacMacleod, J. S. Gibbs, C. B. Keenan, R. Lieut. R. Hodgson, R.M.L.I., Atkins, F. H. Worlock, E. E. Berkeley, E. Jones, Geo. Phillips, Luke Pither, Capt. Elliston, R. C. A., Simon Leiser, H. Leiser, Max Leiser, Surgeon Davidson, R.N.; A. J. Pitts, J. Keith Wilson, H. J. Garesche, E. G. Warner, G. F. Mathews, A. C. McCallum, J. K. Kebbeck, Com. A. G. Allgood, R.N.; Capt. F. C. Learmount, R.N.; John Cochrane, J. M. Langley, F. G. Richards, Archbishop Orth, Dr. E. Hasell, Harold Robertson, Rev. J. Sweet, S. Child, H. J. Dunn, R. Dunn, A. C. Flumerfelt, A. B. Fraser, jr., A. B. Fraser, sr., T. S. Clair, D. St. Clair, H. C. Bennett, R. Loveland, Lieut. M. H. Dobie, Senator Macdonald, A. McCurdy, Dr. A. E. McMicking, E. Billinghurst, D. G. McCurdy, Rev. W. L. Clay, Ernest G. Miller, S. Baker, F. Foster, R. B. McMicking, J. Gaudin, J. A. Anderson, J. R. Gaudin, Major John Wilson, Arthur Davies, Lieut. S. K. Smyth, R.N.; A. T. C. Galletly, Rev. T. W. Gladstone, Lieut.-Col. T. A. Grant, P.A.M.C.; Wm. A. George, Hon. Richard McBride, A. E. McPhillips, R. F. Green, J. Arbuthnot, Leonard J. Foot, B. Shepheard, J. H. Long, A. J. Stanley, H. B. MacLean, F. C. Niven, J. C. Metge, H. H. Bone, Dr. D. B. Holden, N. Curtis Sampson, J. O. Brae, C. Spencer, D. Spencer, jun., David Spencer, Fred G. Spencer, A. Huggett, W. K. Houston, Lieut. P. Haggarty, R. C. A., W. C. Holmes, Capt. E. C. Hart, P. A. M. C., H. A. Munn, Major J. M. Mutter, A. Lee, Lewis Hall, A. V. Hamilton, A. Page Lefour, C. Pemberton, F. S. Hussey, Justin Gilbert, T. A. Futcher, F. A. Pauline, M. A. Wylde, Geo. C. Mesher, Lieut.-Col. J. A. Hall, Major A. W. Currie, Capt. W. N. Winsby, Judge Lampman, Major J. Hibben, Geo. Mesher, C. Mahun, W. Pigott, H. Dalby, R. H. Jameson, J. R. Mackie, Dr. Ernest Hall, S. J. Willis, Jno. P. Hicks, F. H. Wills, C. Steer, Gavin Burns, J. A. Mitchell, Hon. C. E. Pooley, Robt. S. Day, W. G. Cameron, Lieut.-Col. Hon. E. G. Prior, G. Salter, E. Salter, W. M. Eberts, D. J. Gibbs, R. M. Sanburn, T. Cusack, F. O'Reilly, J. O'Reilly, C. Cross, A. S. Innes, H. H. Jones, Hon. E. Dewdney, F. Wade, F. Napier Denison, J. Hirsch, W. F. Robertson, H. Watson, A. Robertson, C. F. Gardiner, S. P. Nason, W. Runnalls, S. P. Moody, N. Gresby, Lewis Hind, T. E. Woolridge, H. A. P. Morley, Sheriff Hall, J. Acland, H. A. Taylor, H. Rochford, D. N. McIntyre, S. J. Pitts, E. B. Marvin, T. Kingham, H. J. Knott, H. F. Morgan, G. Reilly, J. Nelson, Capt. Wallace, W. Dalby, W. Northcott, P. J. Riddell, Jno. Dean, G. D. Christie, Lieut. H. Garnett, H. T. Nation, Hon. R. G. Tatlow, J. B. Rickaby, J. P. Babcock, Capt. T. Michell, Wm. Gordon, W. T. Williams, H. Fuller, Rev. J. McCoy, R. Jones, G. Sonby, J. T. Braden, T. W. Laing, A. Bissett, B. Prior, C. Keefer, B. Bell, J. Mason, Captain Curtis, R. N., G. Booth, W. W. Wilson, J. S. Yates, G. K. Adams, S. J. Thompson, W. Blakemore, A. J. Keith, H. F. Langton, S. A. Roberts, R. Machin, C. H. Topp, A. W. More, W. H. Langley, A. T. Goward, R. B. Punnett, E. F. Winne Heath, A. F. Jones, L. Mcleod Gould, W. Marchant, C. D. Mason, R. W. Mason, A. G. McNeill, G. B. McKilligan, J. S. McKilligan, Dr. G. L. Milne, Mr. R. M. Morphett, C. F. Moore, T. W. McArthur, A. G. W. Salt, J. Bell, W. A. Robertson, H. P. Collis, K. Sharp, C. Cooper, R. Mackenzie, Rev. E. McRae, D. Fraser, J. G. Wilson, B. Wilson, D. R. Ker, H. Cuthbert, T. A. Ker, T. Sparrow, W. H. Ker, H. Helmcken, J. S. Helmcken, J. S. Helmcken, jr., Mr. Stanley Porter, S. Pierson, E. B. Reed, A. C. Reddie, W. C. Sutton, Capt. Sullivan, W. Scowcroft, T. R. Smith, A. Smith, S. A. Thompson, Lieut. L. S. Vien, R. C. A., Lieut. H. Lee Wright, R. E., Major Muspratt Williams, R. C. A., Gordon Wilson, Capt. T. T. Wallson, E. B. Wooson and Hon. G. A. Walkem.

Mayor Morley was at home to the citizens at his residence, and over a hundred and fifty left cards.

The following were amongst the number: Ald. Fullerton, Ald. Fell, Mr. Bolden, Dr. Campbell, J. A. McTavish, Claus McTavish, W. B. Williams, Lieut.-Col. J. A. Hall, officers of Fifth Regiment, H. A. S. Morley, H. D. Helmcken, John S. Helmcken, Dr. J. S. Helmcken, David Miller, W. G. Cameron, A. T. Montieth, S. McClure, P. M. F. Macleod, Justin Gilbert, Major W. N. Winsby, A. J. Dallain, J. P.; H. Dobie, J. M. Langley, Alex. T. Bain, Hon. A. E. Smith, United States consul; Thos. Davis, R. L. Newman, R. H. Jameson, Sidney Child, C. H. B. Topp, F. Ellworthy, Jas. Forman, J. H. A. Chapman, J. Parfitt, Mr. Bailey, Wm. Jones, T. Shotbolt, J. B. H. Rickaby, Jas. L. Raymur, A. E. Baynes, Judge Harrison, S. J. Willis, C. E. Redfern, L. F. Moore, C. Steers, Dr. Ernest Hall, W. W. Northcott, J. A. Northcott, Dr. Lewis Hall, E. J. Riddell, W. K. Houston, S. P. Moody, G. D. Christie, E. B. Jones, C. F. Gardiner, Rev. J. H. Sweet, Herbert Cuthbert, B. F. Shepherd, John Laurie, Arthur Davies, Jesse A. Longfield, A. Longfield, Hon. Richard McBride, premier of British Columbia; R. F. Green, Wm. Scowcroft, R. W. Clark, D. Spragge, A. E. McPhillips, Major P. Hibben, Napier Hibben, Rev. T. W. Gladstone, W. D. Kinnaird, Rev. Dr. Reed, Jas. A. Grant, W. A. Gleason, Dubois Mason, Elliott S. Rowe, Dr. Morrison, Noah Shakespeare, J. W. Church, Sidney Shore, Fred Shore, Napier Denison, Dr. Milne, T. Watson, Wm. Bone, W. J. Dowler, H. H. Jones E. O. S. Scholefield, A. E. Wallace, C. N. Tubman, E. Tubman and H. Siddall.

How the Year Was Ushered In.

With all the abandon which marks the celebration of Mardi Gras in the countries of the south, many of the citizens of Victoria bade farewell to 1906 and ushered in 1907. Everywhere crowds of promenaders, men, women and children, throwing confetti, exploding firecrackers and generally contributing to the noise, which seems necessary to the safe convoy of the last minutes of the old year into the mists of oblivion, were to be seen. When finally the shrill whistle of the steamers along the waterfront announced that the old year was no more, the crowd along Government street, with an exchange of New Year's greetings, soon dispersed.

But the boom of church bells also announced that many awaited that New Year's advent with more solemn ceremony. In many of the churches watch night services were held, and at all the attendance was large.

At the Church of Our Lord, Rev. T. W. Gladstone preached from the text, "Watchman, What of the Night." The meeting closed with the singing of "O God of Bethel."

At Calvary Baptist church, Rev. J. F. Tapscott spoke on the subject of "Stocktaking." He exhorted the hearers to take stock of the goods of their souls, to balance the assets of good against the liabilities of evil and to survey the balance.

Rev. A. J. Brace, secretary of the Y. M. C. A., addressed the congregation of the Metropolitan Methodist church, as did also Hugh Ritchie, the pastor conducting the service. From 8 to 11 o'clock a reception was held by the Epworth League, when refreshments were served.

At the Centennial Methodist church the congregation was addressed by Rev. S. T. Thompson, W. P. Darrell and John Ralph.

In Victoria West Methodist church the service began at 9 o'clock, when the pastor held a reception in his vestry, the watch night service commencing at 11 o'clock.

A special watch night service also took place at the Salvation Army barracks.

ATHLETIC GATHERING.

Entertainment at the Y. M. C. A. Was Largely Attended—Interesting Programme.

A New Year's entertainment, comprised of athletic exhibitions, was given at the Y. M. C. A. Tuesday. Vaulting exercises on the horse were gone through by the business men's class. These were followed by dumb bell drill. Stunts on parallel bars were next given by O. Finch and H. B. Gregory. The next item, a game of whip tag, was productive of considerable amusement. Two combatants in the persons of F. Richardson and H. B. Gregory then indulged in a six months' wrestling bout. Gregory gained the first fall in three minutes. The second went to Richardson, who downed his opponent in thirty seconds. At the end of six minutes the match was declared a draw, as neither wrestler could gain the third fall within that time. The entertainment proved shorter than expected owing to the absence of Margeson through illness.

BRINGS BACK SAMPLES.

Captain John Irving Returns From the White Horse District After Visiting Claim.

Capt. John Irving, who is prominently identified with the Artic Chief claim in the White Horse district, has returned to the city after visiting the property. He brings with him several very rich samples of copper ore, in which there are good showings of gold and silver. The syndicate owning and controlling the Artic Chief is composed of two Victorians and five Spokane business men, the other local man who is interested with Capt. Irving being E. V. Bodwell. It was floated last November with a capitalization of $50,000, and is already operating the property. The claim is a regulation-sized piece of land, fifteen hundred feet square, and is considered by all interested in it to be a rich holding.

Speaking to a Times reported Wednesday Capt. Irving stated that there was no stock for sale, the capital being fully paid up. Capt. Irving produced several rich samples of ore, which he obtained from the claim during his recent visit. The company will start shiping in February.

ANNUAL REPORT OF A CHARITY

NURSING SOCIETY'S WORK FOR PAST YEAR

More Cases Dealt With Than in Previous Years--Reports of Committees.

The following officers of the Home Nursing Society were elected at the annual meeting held at the city hall on Thursday: President, Mrs. G. H. Barnard; first vice-president, Mrs. Wake; second vice-president, Mrs. Perrin; secretary-treasurer, Mrs. H. B. Robertson; honorary committee, Miss Perrin, Mrs. Jenns; Mrs. Goepel, Mrs. McQuade, Miss Carr; working committee, Mrs. Beaven, Mrs. Brooker, Mrs. Berkeley, Mrs. Fletcher, Mrs. Jenkins, Mrs. Nicholles, Mrs. Pemberton, Mrs. Royds, Mrs. Sweet, Mrs. C. F. Todd, Mrs. Toller, Mrs. D. M. Rogers, Mrs. Hardie, Mrs. Wilson, Mrs. Phipps, Mrs. Le Page, Mrs. Leiser, Miss Ramsdale, Mrs. A. T. Goward, Mrs. Dresser.

The president in her address paid a tribute to Mesdames Brooker, Wilson, Royds and Le Page for their services in collecting for the funds of the society, the receipts this year having been larger than during the previous. The expenditure has materially decreased, from $753 in 1905 to $656 in 1906. This was due to the fact that the society was not called upon to provide much outside assistance. Careful attention has also been paid to the expenditure for medical supplies. A larger amount of work has been done during the past year. Assistance was rendered 87 families, while the society assumed the charge of nine maternity cases.

The president expressed the gratitude of the society to the Mothers' Club, of Spring Ridge, and to Mrs. Tremont, who had each made large donations. Mrs. Wallis, the society's nurse, had performed her arduous duties in the same satisfactory manner as in other years. The president closed with expressing the thanks of the society to the public for the support extended it.

The Treasurer's Report.

Receipts.

Balance in bank, Dec. 1st, 1905	$ 185 85	
Interest accrued	5 55	
Bal. in current acct., Dec. 1st, 1905	162 02	
Subscriptions	150 65	
Donations	32 75	
Collections—		
Mrs. Brooker	$433 25	
Mrs. Royds	87 25	
Mrs. Le Page	15 74	
Mrs. Wilson	70 25	
	$ 606 50	
Discounted	30	
		$1,143 62

Disbursements.

Nurse's salary	$550 00	
Extra help	23 00	
Telephone	29 50	
Chemist	4 35	
Janitor, Christmas	3 00	
Printing	4 50	
Stationery	55	
Expenses, cabs, etc.	5 75	
Christmas gift to nurse	20 00	
Linen	12 45	
Florist	3 00	
	$656 10	
Bal. in savings bank	191 40	
Bal. in current account	296 12	
		$1,143 62

MARY F. ROGERS,
Secretary-Treasurer.

December 5th, 1906.

Victoria, B.C., Dec. 5th, 1906.

I beg to certify that I have examined the cash statement and vouchers of the Home Nursing Society, as submitted by Mrs. Rogers, and that the same are correct.

JAS. L. RAYMUR.

The Secretary's Report.

The society during the past year cared for 54 cases. Many of the patients were entirely destitute, so that the society was compelled to provide clothing and provisions during the period of illness. A new invalid chair and a bicycle for the use of the nurse had been secured during the past year through the kindness of friends.

The thanks of the society is tendered the following: To the corporation of Victoria for their generous donation of $25; to A. T. Goward, manager of the B. C. Electric railway, for a monthly donation of tram tickets; to T. Shotbolt, for a discount on all bills; to James Raymur, for auditing the books of the society; to members of the medical profession, for continued advice and medical attendance; to the press for the insertion of notices and reports; to the Mothers' Club and Mrs. Tremant, for very generous donations; to the Friendly Help, for food and clothing; to the Home Sewing Society, for services given.

Continuing, the report reads: "The committee beg to tender their earnest thanks to each and every one who has aided them, by donations of clothes, provisions and money, and only hope that the work accomplished will be a sufficient plea for future assistance."

The Subscribers.

Mrs. Wade, Mrs. Hardie, Corporation of Victoria, Mr. Todd, Mrs. Dresser, Mrs. Cooper, Mrs. Saunders, Miss Goward, Mrs. Fletcher, Mrs. Perrin, Mrs. Rocke Robertson, A. J. Mara.

Per Mrs. Brooker (annuals)—Mrs. Dunsmuir, Mrs. J. Dunsmuir, Mrs. R. Dunsmuir, Mrs. B. W. Pearse, Mrs. A. Flumerfelt, Mrs. J. D. Pemberton, A Friend, Mrs. C. E. Pooley, Mrs. L. G. McQuade, Mrs. (Justice) Martin, Mrs. A. P. Luxton, Mrs. J. W. Laing, Mrs. L. Pither, Mrs. R. P. Butchart, Mrs. R. P. Rithet, Mrs. G. A. Kirk, Lady Crease, Miss Crease, Mrs. A. W. Jones, Mrs. R. L. Day, Mrs. Angus, Mrs. (Justice) Duff, Mrs. G. Michaells, Mrs. McTavish, sr., Mrs. T. R. Smith, Mrs. F. D. Little, Mrs. (Capt.) Freeman, Mrs. J. L. Hughes, Mrs. J. E. Newcombe, Mrs. H. J. Scott, Mrs. E. G. Prior, Mrs. (Capt.) Troup, Mrs. (Col.) Holmes, Mrs. C. M. Dumbleton, Miss Ward, Mrs. J. O. Grahame, Mrs. (Canon) Beanlands, Mrs. J. H. Todd, Mrs. G. Riley, Mrs. C. M. Rogers, Mrs. J. H. Lawson, Mrs. C. A. Holland, Mrs. (Dr.) Fagan, Mrs. (Dr.) Hamilton, Mrs. O. Weller, Mrs. J. W. Ambery, Mrs. T. W. Paterson, Mrs. H. Croft, Mrs. R. H. Brown, Mrs. T. S. Gore, Mrs. J. McArthur, Mrs. A. W. McCurdy, Mrs. H. B. Mackenzie, Mrs. F. Peters, Mrs. F. S. Barnard, Mrs. G. H. Barnard, Mrs. F. Norris, Mrs. T. Ellis, Mrs. D. M. Rogers, Mrs. (Col.) Grant, Mrs. J. Weller, Mrs. (Capt.) Newby, Mrs. H. E. Levy, Mrs. F. M. Rattenbury, Mrs. E. G. Russell, Mrs. J. S. H. Matson, Hon. F. J. Fulton, Hon. W. C. Hamsley, Archbishop Orth, J. A. Mitchel, W. Wilson, Major Dupont, Mr. Justice Drake, W. Fernie, C. Hayward.

(Monthly)—Miss Archbult, Mrs. R. E. Brett, Mrs. F. W. Burton, Mrs. (Capt.) Butler, Mrs. W. Broderick, Mrs. C. Brook, Mrs. J. Brown, Mrs. T. Burnes, Mrs. H. Cooley, Mrs. J. Chrow, Mrs. F. Carne, Mrs. H. Cook, Mrs. W. Cathcart, Mrs. W. G. Cameron, Mrs. T. Catterall, Mrs. H. Catterall, Mrs. H. Chapman, Mrs. W. Denny, Mrs. J. L. Davis, Mrs. T. Elford, Mrs. J. H. Elford, Mrs. J. P. Elford, Mrs. E. Erb, Mrs. J. Fowler, Mrs. J. Forman, Mrs. F. R. Green, Mrs. J. H. Greer, Mrs. W. Gill, Mrs. (Dr.) Hasell, Mrs. (Col.) J. A. Hall, Mrs. M. Hardie, Mrs. J. Hunter, Mrs. G. A. Keefer, Mrs. Max Leiser, Mrs. T. Lubbe, Mrs. J. Langley, Mrs. A. J. Morley, Mrs. A. H. Mitchell, Mrs. L. Marks, Mrs. A. Monroe, Mrs. H. Martin, Mrs. H. Maynard, Mrs. R. McBride, Mrs. T. A. McLaughlin, Mrs. A. McDermott, Mrs. J. Nelson, Mrs. F. M. Nolte, Mrs. T. J. Norris, Mrs. J. C. Pendray, Mrs. R. Porter, Mrs. S. Robertson, Mrs. (Capt.) Rudlin, Mrs. D. Spencer, Mrs. C. Spencer, Mrs. J. P. Pellitiere, Mrs. H. B. Robertson, Mrs. J. C. Stevens, Mrs. J. F. L. Smith, Mrs. G. E. Snider, Mrs. H. Stadthagen, Mrs. S. Spring, Mrs. W. G. Stevenson, Mrs. J. M. Pynn, Mrs. C. H. Topp, Mrs. R. G. Tatlow, Mrs. S. P. Tuck, Mrs. R. Tennant, Mrs. G. Wilson, Mrs. J. E. Wilson, Mrs. F. Williams, Mrs. R. R. Woodill, W. A. Burt.

Per Mrs. Royds—Mrs. Billinghurst, Mrs. J. T. McDonald, Mrs. Gilson, Mrs. Grimmason, Mrs. A. T. Goward, Miss Lettice, Mrs. Mess, Mrs. S. P. Moody, Mrs. Moore, Mrs. Picking, Mrs. Phipps, Mrs. Pearce, Mrs. Rich, M. T. Royds, Mrs. Royds, Miss Ramsdale, Mrs. J. T. Rickaby, Mrs. Toller, Mrs. R. F. Verrinder, Miss Woods, Miss Williams, Mrs. Percy, J. Wollaston, Mr. Wollaston, sr.

Per Mrs. Le Page—Mrs. L. Leigh, Mrs. Moore, Mrs. Cooper, Mrs. Le Page, Miss Foster.

Per Mrs. Wilson—Mrs. G. Taylor, Mrs. Clarke, E. Redfern, Mrs. Nicholles, Mrs. M. Jones, Mrs. Crow-Baker, Mrs. M. W. Waitt, Mr. Young, Mrs. Yorke, Mrs. Garesche, Mrs. Sayward, Mrs. Nash, Mrs. E. M. Johnson, Mrs. Goodacre, Mrs. D. M. Ker, Mrs. McB. Smith, Mrs. Powell, Mrs. Dixi Ross, Mrs. C. J. Todd.

Home Sewing Society.

The Home Sewing Society, according to the report of the secretary, during the past year supplied Nurse Wallis with the necessary clothing for her patients, as the need arose. Four general sewing meetings were held, Mrs. Royds and Miss Ramsdale kindly having made many garments urgently required, thus obviating the necessity of calling a general meeting. Thirty-nine garments, 4 dozen pillow covers, 1 dozen sheets and 1 dozen towels have been made and put in use.

The society thanks Canon Beanlands for the receipt of $20 from the Cathedral charitable fund, and have expended in the purchase of materials, $18.60, and have a balance in hand of $2.15 from this and the former year.

Donations of white flannelette of 10c. quality and upwards would be gratefully accepted and acknowledged, and could be sent to Mrs. Royds, of 291 Yates street, the president of this society.

THE CITY COUNCIL.

The Board of Aldermen Completed Year's Work on Monday—Routine Business.

The city council held a short session on Monday to finish up the work for the year. There was a very light docket and the business on hand was easily disposed of.

Two sub-division plans were submitted to the council for examination and, after a short time was spent by the aldermen in considering them, they were adopted. One was a new plan and the other had previously been rejected because it did not allow for the continuation of Amphion street. Provision was made for this in the amended copy.

A by-law was put through its first, second and third readings, and will be passed next meeting. It empowers the corporation to "assess, levy and collect the cost of constructing as a work of local improvement of certain specified permanent sidewalks, under by-law No. 914, and to raise upon debenture loans the necessary moneys to repay the temporary loan made in anticipation of this assessment."

The amount of the temporary loan mentioned in the foregoing is $13,233.17, and this sum has already been paid by the Bank of British North America. The city engineer's estimate of the cost of sidewalks places the figures at $11,711. 14. The city's share is $3,904.66, while the assessed property holders pay $7,806.48.

Ald. Vincent did not attempt to put his sewer enforcement by-law any further ahead. He asked to be allowed to leave it over, and his request was granted.

The electric light committee recommended that a light be placed at the corner of North and Bridge roads and two others at the corner of Wilson and Catherine streets and on Mears above Cook street. The total cost of these lights will be $95.

In moving the adoption of the report Ald. Hall, chairman of the committee, said that the need for lights was not very great in these particular cases, and that if there was any difficulty about bringing the expenditure within the estimates he did not want them installed. Ald. Hall then recounted, in brief, the doings of the committee, and said that that body had cause to congratulate itself on the year's work. Thirty new lights had been put up and a new dynamo had been bought, and there was still $1,000 left.

Ald. Yates said Ald. Hall was evidently a poor mathematician, and had not been able to figure the estimates properly.

Ald. Hall claimed that the estimates had been made out before the system was inaugurated, when it was impossible to estimate the cost of the projected work.

At the close of the meeting the Mayor wished everyone a happy New Year, and invited them to attend the reception held at his residence yesterday.

WOUNDED WHILE SHOOTING.

Two Men From Steam Trawler Flamingo Were Landed at Port Simpson.

While duck shooting near Hecate Straits two seamen named Stephen Bradbury and William Kingsley were accidentally wounded. They belonged to the steam trawler Flamingo, owned by Mr. Logan, of Vancouver, who is at present in the city. Mr. Logan received a brief telegraphic dispatch today.

The vessel at once put into Port Simpson, where the two wounded men were landed and conveyed to the hospital. One of them is understood to have received a large charge of shot in his body.

Following are the amounts contributed by the various churches of the city to the Canadian Bible Society for the year 1906; St. Andrew's Presbyterian, $26; Centennial Methodist, $20.25; First Pdesbyterian, $18.25; Reformed Episcopal, $15.85; Calvary Baptist, $13.35; St. Paul's Presbyterian, $11.40; St. Alden's Presbyarian, $4.50; Knox Presbyterian, $2; collection at annual meeting, $14.30; total, $152.55.

RUSSIAN SECRET POLICE BUSY

MANY PERSONS HAVE BEEN TAKEN INTO CUSTODY

Nearly Six Hundred Arrests In Thre Days--Thirty-Four Women Among Prisoners.

St. Petersburg, Dec. 28.—The secret police made 598 arrests here during the last three days.

The prisoners, who include 34 women, were charged with revolutionary activity and illegal election agitation.

Further arrests and searches are proceeding vigorously.

The activity of the police is due to the recent attempt on the life of Vice-Admiral Doubassoff, ex-governor-general of Moscow, and the assassination of General Count Alexis Ignatieff, resulting from the determination of the revolutionists to revoke their former decision to abstain from acts of terrorisms during the electoral campaign.

RETURNED TO THE CITY.

A. C. Flumerfelt Has Arrived From a Visit to the East.

A. C. Flumerfelt has returned to the city after spending five weeks in the East. His visit was for the purpose of attending the general meeting of the Eastern Townships Bank and the Consolidated Rubber Company, with both of which companies he is associated, and transacting other business.

Mr. Flumerfelt says that he found a growing interest taken by Eastern business men in the Canadian West. They recognize that there is to be a large development of trade in British Columbia following the construction of the new railway lines. The Ames Holden Company and the Consolidated Rubber Company, with both of which Mr. Flumerfelt is identified, are making arrangements to meet the increased demands which the West are to make upon the trade. This also applies to other business concerns, and the general feeling with respect to the West is very hopeful.

Mr. Flumerfelt, on his way home, made a stop at Coleman, Alberta, where, as president of the International Coal and Coke Company, he inspected the work now in progress there. It will be remembered that Mr. Flumerfelt organized the International Company about three years ago, and in common with other concerns in which he has interested himself, the company is making very satisfactory progress. The coal lands in Cedar district, near Nanaimo, the control of which was recently obtained by Mr. Flemerfelt, are to be fully tested for their deposits, he says.

The financing of a company to handle this is part of his mission to the East at this time.

Mr. Flumerfelt also says that his trip East had nothing to do with the floating of any companies concerned with local industries.

ROAD RACE.

Baylis Won Contest Organized by Y. M. C. A. Harriers' Club.

(From Wednesday's Daily.)

The road race organized by the Y. M. C. A. Harriers' Club was won by Baylis Tuesday. Only three competed, Baylis winning by upwards of half a mile. An exceptionally close race was witnessed for second place, Nute winning on the tape by one yard.

The start took place from the corner of Yates and Broad streets at 3.5 p. m. Baylis at once assumed the lead, but had to pull up opposite Pendray's soap works to tie his shoe. While thus engaged he was passed by both Nute and Morrison, but on resuming he quickly overtook and drew away from them again. On the Dallas road he was 500 yards to the good, but here he was passed once more owing to a compulsory stoppage. Continuing, he collared his men and gained a lead of half a mile, which he maintained to the end, winning in the good time of 33 minutes 30 seconds. The full distance was six miles.

Nute, who was some 500 yards behind Morrison on the Dallas road, turned into Broad street only five yards to the bad. Here he put on a terrific sprint and catching Morrison reached the Y. M. C. A. building a yard in front, and three and a half minutes behind the winner, Baylis.

The first prize in the race was a silver cup presented by R. L. Drury. H. J. Knott, president of the Y. M. C. A., gave a silver medal as second prize. Another silver medal which went to Morrison was presented by D. C. Reid.

FIRE AT NEW WESTMINSTER.

The worst fire which has taken place in New Westminster for a long time happened Sunday afternoon, when the premises occupied by J. A. Lee, furniture dealer, and H. Gordon, dry goods merchant, were damaged by fire of unknown origin. The entire damage to the stock is approximately $12,000, the bulk of which was caused by water and smoke. Mr. Lee fixes his loss at between $2,000 and $3,000, while Mr. Gordon stated Sunday evening that his entire stock had been more or less damaged and that this meant something in the neighborhood of $10,000. In both cases the loss is covered by insurance.

GILL'S SPECULATIONS.

Commission is Now Taking Evidence in New York.

New York, Dec. 31.—Circulating among the various offices of Wall street to-day examining certain brokers is a commission of one appointed by the Canadian government to take testimony tending to throw light upon the speculating which made Cashier Chas. McGill, a defaulter and wrecked the Ontario Bank of Canada. The taking of testimony is being done in secret. While it was originally intended to hold the hearings at one place, at the request of witnesses this plan was changed so that the commission will go to the offices of the witnesses and take their testimony there to suit their convenience.

The Observatore Romano of Rome announces that the transportation of the body of Pope Leo XIII. from St. Peter's to the church of St. John Lateran would be strictly private. No date for the ceremony had been determined.

WINS MUSICAL CONTEST.

G. J. Burnett's Setting For Wedding Hymn Ranked First in Large Competition.

(From Wednesday's Daily.)

G. Jennings Burnett, organist of St. John's church, in this city, has been awarded the first prize in a contest for the best musical setting for the words of Keble's favorite wedding hymn, "The Voice That Breathed O'er Eden," adapted for congregational use and a distinctive melody. The contest was inaugurated by a London musical periodical, The Organist and Choirmaster.

The following is that journal's announcements of the award: "Although an extremely large number of competitors entered for the two prizes we offered, we are bound to say that the musical result was somewhat disappointing. When we consider that tunes were sent us from every part of the British Isles, England, Scotland, Ireland, Wales, Channel Isles, the Isles of Wight and Man, and from all parts of the British-speaking globe, including British Guiana, British Columbia, Western Australia, Ceylon, United States of America, and so on, we were astonished to find that none of the tunes reached anything like the high ideal we had formed in our own minds of what ought to be. It is true there were only a few very bad tunes with faulty accentuation and part-writing, but there was a dull level standard of cold respectable mediocrity prevading the entire competition, which made the selection of the 'best twelve' a matter of the greatest difficulty. After much anxious deliberation the following list (in order of merit) is the result of our final choice: First prize, Mr. G. Jennings Burnett, organist and choirmaster of St. John's church, Victoria, British Columbia; second prize, Mr. F. Dewberry, Mus. Bac. Cantab, Fellow of the Royal College of Organists; No. 3, Mr. F. N. Baxter, Mus. Bac., Dunelm, F. R. C. O.; No. 4, Mr. Ernest Hammond, A. R. C. O., Frensham, and so on to No. 12. The examiners speak of Mr. G. Jennings Burnett's success as 'a tune written according to our conditions with the melody lying between the notes that consist of the middle (D) octave, and designed for unisonous processional singing. The initial melodic figure is well developed.'

"No. 2 was not far behind No. 1, but there was a 'false relation' between tenor and treble in the third line, which we didn't like, and the tune was altogether too much like an ordinary common metre.

"No. 3 was spoiled by some long 'waits' at ends of lines.

"No. 4 had a dull settling down to the relative minor at the end of the second line, not suitable to the sentiment of the words.

"No. 5 had a good melody but was rather weakly harmonized.

"No. 6 was not altogether happy in its cadences, which were 'plagal,' 'authentic,' 'inverted close' in relative minor, etc.

"No. 7 suffered from weak harmony.

"No. 8 had a fair melody which was not improved by harmonies of Moody and Sanky type.

"No. 9 had a rather awkward melody associated with an uncomfortable jerky bass not a 'happy union.'

"No. 10 had a weak tenor, and a somewhat 'reminiscent' melody, nothing striking in character.

"No. 11 began extremely well, but went off considerably toward the end. Several harmonies were poor.

"No. 12 had a nice melody, spoiled by rough, unskillful harmonization with an uncomfortably high tenor."

Mr. Burnett gained distinction in a similar competition held last year under the same auspices.

THE RAILWAY DISASTER.

Number of Injured Passengers in Critical Condition—Death Roll May Reach Sixty.

Washington, Dec. 31.—The terrible character of the Baltimore & Ohio train wreck at Terra Cotta last night grows in magnitude as the hours pass. The most conservative estimate the dead at 53, whilst 60 are in hospital or at home suffering from injuries sustained in the rear-end collision which completely demolished the two day coaches and the smoker attached to the local Frederick express. Several of the most seriously injured are expected to die during the night, and the death list may reach 60 or more.

The scenes at the city morgue are heartrending. Hundreds of persons have flocked to assist the police in identifying the dead.

RICHELEAU CANAL PROJECT.

Buffalo, Dec. 31.—Secretary W. Edward Wilson, of the American section of the international waterways commission, has received the second progress report of the commission. The international commission can see little merit in the proposition known as the Richeleau canal project, and it is recommended that permission to build the proposed works to deepen and regulate the flow of the Richeleau river be not granted.

The report concluded: "As Lake Champlain is wholly within the territory of the United States and the proposed regulating works are wholly within Canadian territory, the international questions raised are of some moment. It would be possible to plan works suited to the conditions, and in our opinion such works should be permitted, provided they do not interfere with private interests in the United States or with the interests of navigation."

OPERATOR'S CONFESSION.

Admits He Caused Wreck in Which Engineer Lost His Life.

Salt Lake City, Jan. 1.—Roy Swartsager, the young telegraph operator, who was arrested yesterday, following the wrecking of an Oregon Short Line train at Peterson, Utah, which caused the death of Engineer McFeeley and serious injury to two other trainmen, has confessed that he alone caused the wreck.

The youth, who is a son of the station agent at Peterson, admits that he was prompted by a desire to see a long freight train plunge into the river below.

Rev. Dr. Joshua Allen Lippincott, widely known in the east and middle west, is dead at Los Angeles.

At Sandhurst in Australia is a gold mine nearly 5,000 feet deep.

A YEAR'S CRIME IN MONTREAL

FIVE MURDERS AND ONE CASE OF MANSLAUGHTER

Nearly Thirteen Million Dollars Spent in New Buildings in Winnipeg in Twelve Months.

Montreal, Dec. 31.—Five murders, twenty-three suicides, three homicides, and one case of manslaughter sum up the total of the more important verdicts of coroners' juries at the morgue during the past year, according to the report of Coroner McMahon. During the course of the year thirty-three persons were killed by street cars, twenty-eight by the Grand Trunk railway, and sixteen by the C. P. R., while three automobile fatalities mark the first accidents in the city due to this cause. The total number of cases reported by Coroner McMahon during 1906 shows a decrease of five hundred and forty cases when compared with last year, there being seven hundred and sixty cases in all reported this year, while those in 1905 amounted up to thirteen hundred. Of the seven hundred and sixty cases during the year only a hundred and seventy-four were such as warrant the calling of a jury.

Drowning accidents were responsible for 72 deaths; 20 persons were asphyxiated; 18 were burned to death; 20 poisoned accidentally; 7 were fatally scalded;