

FINAL SESSION OF PRESENT COUNCIL

ALDERMEN EULOGIZE COURTESY OF MAYOR

Have Never Questioned His Decisions— Fire Wardens Report on Their Visit to Theatres.

The last meeting of the council of 1903 was held Monday, and after the transaction of business a pleasant interchange of compliments between the members ensued.

Mr. Palmer supported this idea, and suggested that a resolution be passed to that effect.

It was then moved by Mr. Moore and seconded by Maxwell Smith: "That all jams and jellies be labelled with a description of their constituent parts."

It was determined, on motion of Mr. Palmer, to send a delegate to the convention of the Fruit Growers' Association to be held at Portland on 12th to 14th inst.

It was moved by Mr. Wetherell, seconded by Mr. Brandith: That the British Columbia government be requested to enact such clearly defined drainage laws as will encourage and facilitate proper under-drainage of farm lands.

C. W. Rogers asked that a suitable concrete sidewalk be laid on Gordon street. Referred to the city engineer for report.

E. C. Sorby pressed for the settlement of an unperfected claim for the payment of a premium of \$350. Filed.

Miss S. Boves, of Vancouver, communicated an expression of sympathy in consequence of the Clallam disaster. Filed.

Writing Inspector Dalbey submitted his monthly report. Filed.

The city clerk presented the annual reports, which were referred to the incoming council.

The legislative committee submitted an exhaustive report containing various suggested amendments to the Municipal Clauses Act, which was adopted.

The streets committee handed in the annual routine report, which was adopted.

A report from the fire wardens was submitted as follows: Gentlemen—In response to your resolution of the 4th inst., we, your fire wardens, chief of fire department and city inspector, visited the various theatres in the city and are of the opinion the buildings have a sufficiency of exits in case of fire.

We consider that the management of every proper facility is used for the convenience of the people in leaving the various buildings.

The report was adopted. The appropriation of \$600 was recommended by the finance committee. Adopted.

A few of the complimentary exchanges already alluded to the council adjourned.

IN THE LEGISLATURE. Mining Committee Organized With Irice Ellison as Chairman.

The mining committee met on Tuesday and organized, with Mr. Ellison as chairman and Mr. Shatford as secretary.

On being asked on Tuesday whether or not his government would bear the expense of bringing witnesses here in connection with the coroner's inquest arising out of the Clallam disaster, the Premier said that although the matter had not come before the government as a whole, Mr. McPhillips had been appointed to watch the case with a view to securing the complete facts.

It was necessary to bring witnesses here supposed the government would bear the expense.

In the legislature on Tuesday B. L. Drury, M. P., asked the Minister of Finance:

(1) What amount of debentures have been issued and sold under Treasury Debenture Act, 1902? (2) And to whom sold? (3) What price was obtained for said debentures? (4) What were numbers of debentures sold? (5) At what rate of interest were they issued? (6) Was any commission paid, as promised, on the sale of such debentures, and if so amount of commission and to whom paid? (7) How were the moneys realized applied?

Answers were given as follows: (1) \$1,000,000; (2) Sold to three Canadian Life Insurance Companies; debentures will not be issued until March 1st, 1904. (3) Part of 1 to 1,000 issued at 105 per cent. per annum. (4) No. (5) Money will not be received until after date of issue, 1st of March, 1904.

FRUIT GROWERS' ASSOCIATION

Was in Annual Session at New Westminster Last Week.

The B. C. Fruit Growers' Association was in annual session in New Westminster on Thursday and Friday of last week, the following members being in attendance: W. G. Authier, Abbotsford; W. J. Brandith, Ladner; L. C. York, Whonnock; J. W. White, Hammond; W. J. Harris, Hammond; W. H. Kealy, New Westminster; Jesse Low, Burnaby; J. C. Metcalf, Hammond; W. R. Hill, Burnaby; T. Parsons, Vancouver; W. A. D. Jones, New Westminster; Thos. Cunningham, Vancouver; Maxwell Smith, Burnaby; Hector Ferguson, Haney; W. R. Austin, Coquitlam; D. S. Curtis, New Westminster; H. R. Moore, New Westminster; R. M. Palmer, Victoria; T. G. Earl, Letton.

On Friday morning Thos. Cunningham read an interesting paper on the care of orchards, and J. W. White gave one on strawberry growing.

Mr. Moore dealt with the manufacture of jam. A great deal of inferior jam was put on the market at present. He thought it would be a good thing to pass an act compelling manufacturers to print their formulas on the back of the packages. In this way a good deal of the adulterated goods would disappear and a better market would thus be opened for small fruits.

Mr. Palmer supported this idea, and suggested that a resolution be passed to that effect.

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It was decided that the first quarterly meeting be held at Mission in April, the second at Nelson in July, and the third at Vancouver in October. In the afternoon T. G. Earl read a very instructive paper on apple growing in the interior.

R. M. Palmer, freight rate commissioner, dealt briefly with fruit markets in the Northwest.

Apple culture was the subject of a paper by H. Klipp and W. J. Brandith, which dealt with the cultivation of the raspberry.

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It was determined, on motion of Mr. Smith, seconded by Mr. Brandith, that the government to increase the yearly grant of the act from \$15,000.

The convention then adjourned.

The little trading schooner Gille was wrecked out at Sooke in Friday's gale. She was on her way to Victoria with a load of produce. The vessel had not got far on her voyage when her sails were blown to pieces and she was left helpless in the storm.

The schooner was soon brought up on a small island and rapidly pounded to pieces. Capt. Jensen and the only sailor aboard had to swim for their lives. The vessel was completely wrecked and the crew were picked up on the road arrived here in safety Monday.

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IMMIGRATION ACT OF LITTLE AVAIL

MR. McLEAN GIVES HIS OPINION OF LAW

Evidence Before Select Committee Indicates Statute to Be a Fraud and "Farce."

(From Tuesday's Daily.) The committee investigating the changes made by the opposition that the Provincial Immigration Act was being violated, met Tuesday morning.

All the members were present as follows: Chairman, W. B. Bowers, secretary, Geo. A. Fraser; Stuart Henderson, R. L. Drury and W. Davidson.

J. R. Symons was appointed stenographer. Chairman Bowers, reading the resolution, outlined the work of the committee, which of investigating the working of the Immigration Act.

He said that at the time the resolution was introduced into the House the member for Delta had made charges.

Chairman Bowers wanted to know if those specific charges were to be laid and to be investigated.

John Oliver said that he did not recede from any charges he had made in the House. The committee was appointed for one purpose, that of investigating the working of this act. Beyond that the committee could not go.

It was decided to allow Mr. Oliver to examine witnesses called.

A. Campbell Reddie, Deputy Provincial Secretary, was the first witness. In reply to Mr. Oliver he said that no rules were made under the act of 1903 for the carrying out of it.

There were rules made under the act of 1900. Officers were appointed to carry out the act, W. Ellis being the chief officer. Mr. Hussey had been later appointed. The act was assented to 4th May, 1903. Mr. McLean was then Provincial Secretary.

He was appointed on the 7th of May, 1903. On 3rd January, 1901, rules were gazetted for enforcement of the act of 1900.

Chairman Bowers wished to know how Mr. McLean enforced the act.

Witness did not know, as the immigration agent had access directly to the Provincial Secretary.

Mr. Bowers wanted all the correspondence between the Provincial Secretary and other persons relative to the enforcement of the act from May 4th, 1903, when the act was assented to.

In reply to Mr. Bowers, the witness said that in the enforcement of the act of 1903 they had followed in the foot-prints of the regulations under the act of 1900.

Mr. Bowers wanted all the correspondence as to the working of the act of 1900.

Mr. Henderson thought the scope of the investigation would not allow of this. The committee was appointed to inquire into the act of 1903, and there was no foundation laid for the investigation of the act of 1900.

The scope of the committee's work would have to be enlarged by the House.

Mr. Fraser moved, seconded by Mr. Drury, that all the papers relating to the enforcement of the act from 1900 should be produced.

Mr. Henderson thought this out of order. Chairman Bowers said he ruled it in order inasmuch as the witness said the act was enforced on the regulations prepared under that act.

Mr. Drury asked Mr. Reddie if there was any order issued that the regulations of 1900 should govern the enforcement of the act of 1903.

Witness said there was no such order. Mr. Drury and Mr. Henderson could not see in the face of this how this motion could be in order.

LARGER ENGINES FOR LENORA ROAD

THE SMELTER COMPANY WILL IMPROVE LINE

This is Made Necessary by the Increased Output From Mount Sicker Mines.

(From Wednesday's Daily.) H. C. Bellinger, manager of the Northwestern smelter at Crofton, arrived from Seattle last evening and returned to the smelter town this morning.

He is very enthusiastic over the outlook at Mount Sicker, and his company is now contemplating increasing the equipment of the railway from the Lenora to the smelter.

Awaiting the development of the new body struck in the Lenora mine this will be deferred. If the ore lens there discovered, and in which Manager Tregear is now working, turn out as is expected new engines will be put on the line.

At the present time the railway is running at its fullest capacity, carrying the ore from the present workings at the Lenora. With the contract for ore from the Richard III., which at first will not exceed perhaps 50 tons a day, but which will assuredly be increased many fold, there will be need for increasing the means of transportation.

Mr. Bellinger says the intention is to increase the equipment by returning the large engines employed and putting in their places two larger size ones. The engines now in the line haul three cars of ore to the smelter. These may be returned to the company from which they were purchased and substituted with two larger locomotives. The new engines which the company contemplates purchasing will have a capacity of 10 cars instead of three, so that the output of ore from the mines may be increased thereby.

Since Messrs. Breen and Bellinger took charge of the mine the railway has been overhauled. Heavy rails were substituted for those formerly in use, and many of the worst curves have been taken out of the line. This will prepare the way for the introduction of the new engines.

Mr. Bellinger says the smelter has now a plentiful supply of ore in sight. A contract has been made with Capt. John Irving, who is now in the north, for a supply from the Arctic Chief mine, near White Horse. The first shipment will arrive by the next steamer from the north. The contract is an open one, calling for all that may be supplied for a term of four years.

A. O. U. W. GRAND LODGE. Plans of Beneficiary Assessments Adopted After Harmonious Session.

The A. O. U. W. grand lodge of British Columbia met at 10 a.m. in A. O. U. W. hall, Yates street, Monday. The grand lodge was called to order by the grand master, H. C. Edwards.

The following grand lodge officers and representatives were present: East grand master, W. W. Wells; grand master, H. C. Edwards; grand foreman, H. T. Devine; grand overseer, A. G. Christ; grand recorder, J. W. McIlmoy; grand secretary, W. Scovener; grand treasurer, G. Sault; grand inside watchman, M. M. Myers; grand outside watchman, J. Mallett.

Representatives—Victoria No. 1, C. T. Wriglesworth and J. Mallett; Granville No. 2, A. M. Bullock; Fraser No. 3, W. J. Carroll and Geo. Sault; Nanaimo No. 4, D. G. Dalbey and G. J. Backler; Vancouver No. 5, M. M. Myers and A. Stewart; Banner No. 6, A. E. Allen; Western Star No. 7, C. W. Kirk; Rossland No. 8, C. A. Peters; Pesseverance No. 9, H. H. Macaulay; Delta No. 12, T. Ladner; Leiser No. 13, J. A. Halliday; Atlin No. 15, J. T. McIlmoy; Maple Leaf No. 17, O. P. Miller; Century Lodge No. 20, J. H. Kerr and A. B. Pottinger.

Committees—Finance, J. E. Church, A. Stewart and C. T. Wriglesworth; laws, F. L. Bullough, A. B. Pottinger and W. H. Smith.

Supreme lodge representative—J. Stevens, Winnipeg. After routine business the following resolution was offered for the consideration of the grand lodge:

Resolved, That the supreme lodge plans of beneficiary assessments be the plan of assessment for the jurisdiction of British Columbia on and after Feb. 1st, 1904.

This was discussed fully, every member of the grand lodge taking part. Supreme Lodge Representative Bro. Stevens explained various points raised.

Upon roll call the resolution was carried by 29 in favor to 6 against.

The result was announced amidst prolonged applause.

The committee on laws were then instructed to prepare the necessary amendments to the constitution, which were passed without discussion.

Various matters of interest occupied the attention of the grand lodge until 6 p.m., when it adjourned.

British Columbia is the twenty-first jurisdiction of the order to adopt the new plans. Considerable opposition to first introduced last year, but after a careful study of them the membership have decided that they are just as equitable and insure the permanency of the order.

Special efforts will now be put forth to still further increase the membership of this order, which can boast of a record of 35 years uninterrupted prosperity.

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CERTIFICATE OF IMPROVEMENTS.

NOTICE. General French, Little Bobs, Baden Powell, General White, Sidra Mineral Claims, situate in the Victoria Mining Division of Renfrew District. Where located, Bugaboo Creek, Port San Juan.

Take notice that J. H. E. Newton, F. C. No. B79407, and as agent for H. J. Godman, F. M. C. No. B79406, intend, sixty days from the date hereof, to apply to the Mining Recorder for a certificate of improvements, for the purpose of obtaining a Crown Grant of the above claims.

And further take notice that action under section 37, must be commenced before the issuance of such certificate of improvements. Dated this twelfth day of November, A. D. 1903.

NOTICE.

Take notice that 60 days after date I intend to apply to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase the following land situate on the Fleming Coast district, more particularly described as follows: Commencing at a post marked Martin Letnes N. E. corner, thence west 30 chains, thence south 40 chains, thence east 30 chains, thence north 40 chains, containing 80 acres more or less called Grass Island, situated 8 miles more or less from the junction of the Eskdale River with the Skeena River. December 29th, 1903.

REPLACES THE CLALLAM. Majestic to Take Run as Soon as Her Alterations Can Be Completed.

The Tacoma Ledger of Tuesday's date says: "The Puget Sound Navigation Company's steamer Majestic, which is now undergoing remodeling and betterments here, is to replace the ill-fated steamer Clallam. This was decided yesterday by the company. Work is being pushed as rapidly as possible on the Majestic, but at best it will take two or three weeks to finish her."

"When she again goes into commission it will be as the steamer Whatcom. It had been the intention of the company to place her on the Whatcom route. The loss of the Clallam necessitates a change in plans."

"When completed, she will have accommodations for 150 passengers and increased freight facilities, besides being a more seaworthy vessel, owing to her added beam."

"The fine new steamer Jefferson, now building at the Alaska Steamship Company's yards here, is completed there as a strong probability that she will be placed on the Victoria run."

"The disaster of last week has emphasized the necessity for a larger and stronger passenger steamer on this run, especially in the winter months, when gales are frequent in the Straits."

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