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A SPECIAL SESSION.

The Ward By-Law Passes—Petition for Barbers' Sunday Closing.

Big List of Communications—The Dominion Government Discussed—Other Business.

A special meeting of the City Council was held last night in the Council Chamber.

There were present the Mayor in the chair, and Ald. Hunter, Lovell, Munn, Beag, Humber, McKilloan, Baker, Hall, Styles.

The minutes of the previous meeting were taken as read and adopted.

From M. Morrison, applying for a supply of city water as Cedar Hill. Referred to Water Committee for report.

From Pemberton & Dumbarton, on behalf of the contractors, on behalf of Belcher street, complaining of the tapping of their private water pipe by outside parties. Referred to Water Commissioner and committee for report.

From Lieut.-Col. Prior, asking permission to keep arms and ammunition of the B. C. B. G. A. stored in three rooms of the City Market while the new drill hall was being built, and suggesting that members of the Brigade might also be allowed to drill in the building until such time as the new drill hall was completed.

The Board of Health reported that the market superintendent could see no possible objection.

Ald. McKilloan called attention to the fact that when the men were drinking, they would interfere with business at the stalls. Besides, the Dominion Government was surely able to pay some rental for the accommodation.

Ald. Hunter thought that if there was a chance of getting any revenue out of the idea, the money should be obtained.

Ald. Hunter spoke very strongly about the manner in which the Dominion Government had continually done harm to Victoria, and snubbed the city in every manner possible. If they wanted the use of one of Victoria's public buildings, they must be made to pay for it. The powder magazine at Beacon Hill was a standing disgrace to the Dominion Government, and he didn't think the city was justified in allowing it, as it was a blot on the city.

Referred to the Market committee, with power to act.

A further communication was received from Col. Prior with reference to the erection of a rifle range at Clover Point.

Permission granted, provided that the shooting did not interfere with the sewerage works.

From the city engineer reporting as to the cheapest way the View street sewer could be replaced by \$4,832.25, or extended to Johnson street—\$7,007; the latter went on to say that a wooden sewer, however good, was not advisable, as it would only be a temporary affair at best.

Ald. McKilloan thought it folly to put wooden drains down View street. Earth-ware tile drains should be used.

Ald. Hunter thought that it would be a great mistake to extend the View St. sewer into the Johnson St. system. The council should not agree to having the Johnson street sewer a common drain, when the fact is that the Johnson St. sewer is meant to make use of this system in its system of city sewerage.

Ald. Hunter didn't believe in patch-work in building sewers. If the Johnson street sewer could be utilized it certainly should be. It would not then be money thrown away.

Ald. Styles said that if the method hinted at by the engineer was adopted it would be a way out of the difficulty, and would give View street a drain this season.

Ald. Lovell, in connection with the fact that the state of the drains on View street and the constant danger of an epidemic in that locality.

Ald. Baker wanted to know where the money was to come from. It was a problem to him, and one that would have to be solved before anything could be done.

Ald. McKilloan said that the work had to be done. The public demanded it, and it was nonsense to talk about there being no funds.

The Mayor called attention to the fact that the amount would have to come out of the \$25,000 appropriation for the streets.

Ald. McKilloan moved that the work be carried out by laying an earthenware drain. Carried. Ayes—Hunter, Munn, Lovell, Beag, Baker, Hall, Styles and McKilloan. Nays—The Mayor and Ald. Humber.

Communication from E. A. Wilnot regarding the condition of the bridge crossing the Victoria Arm, calling attention to its dangerous state and advocate of the building of a new bridge.

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