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Ald. Marchant, Re-division By-Law a Victim of the Mayor's Casting Vote.

Council Decided Not to Negotiate for the Purchase of the Tramway.

Continued Delay in Point Ellice Bridge Construction—Railway to Kootenay.

Ald. Marchant's ward re-division by-law, which had for its object the equalization of the wards and which had successfully run the blockade of several council meetings was last evening headed at the very threshold of its final adoption.

Before proceeding with the regular business Ald. Marchant and Macmillan pointed out the necessity for an electric light on Alpha street.

A vote of thanks was tendered to Captain Smith for a deer and Mr. Joseph Levy for a maple presented to the city park.

A. C. Ewart, architect for the new Lecker building notified the council that a 12 foot cement sidewalk was about to be laid and asked for the usual payment granted in such cases.

A communication from the city barrister asking for more definite information regarding the McTavish property damage controversy was referred to the city barrister to secure the necessary information from the solicitors for Mrs. McTavish.

J. G. Elliott, secretary of the Victoria board of fire underwriters, forwarded the following resolution unanimously adopted by the board at the annual meeting held on the 21st ult.:

"That the city council be requested to appoint Mr. Hutchison, chief engineer of the city electric light department, inspector of electric wire installations in all dwellings and buildings in the city of Victoria and that the council be further requested to introduce a by-law regulating the same as a measure of public safety."

"That the secretary be instructed to write the city council stating that this association is greatly in favor of the recommendation made from time to time by the chief engineer of the fire department as to the advisability of having a fully paid fire department instead of the present call system.

The first resolution was referred to the electric light committee and the second to the incoming council. Ald. Marchant pointed out that the work of building the Point Ellice bridge was progressing but slowly.

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Ald. Partridge and Williams also spoke strongly along the same lines, the latter alderman suggesting that the trouble was with the head of the department.

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Market Superintendent Johnston reported that the receipts for the past month amounted to \$117.

Chief of Police Sheppard recommended the purchase of top coats and helmets for the men, also that dark lanterns of the improved kind be secured.

LONG LIST OF WANTS

Council of the Board of Trade Prepare for the Visit of the Ministers.

Delegates Appointed to Confer With Other Boards re the Kootenay Railway.

The council of the board of trade at its meeting held this morning prepared a long list of necessary government works to which the attention of the ministers will be drawn upon their arrival.

The council then discussed the Kootenay railway project. The consensus of opinion was to the effect that before any further steps be taken in the matter it would be wise to secure a conference with other provincial boards.

Those matters which are to be brought to the attention of the visiting ministers were then considered. Among others the council decided to ask the minister of marine and fisheries to place the Quada in commission all the year round to prevent smuggling and illicit fishing.

Among the lighthouse improvements to be suggested are the following: Fog alarm entrance to Victoria harbor; light on Fiddle Reef; light or gas buoy on Brochic ledge; light on Bare Point; Chamaelus; fog signal, Sand Heads; light and fog bell at English Bay.

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TO RUN TO VICTORIA.

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Highest of all in Leavening Power.—Latest U. S. Gov't Report

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Royal Baking Powder ABSOLUTELY PURE

FOR SAVING STRATHNEVIS. Salvage Amounting to \$46,700 Given Miowera and Mineola.

Seattle, Wash., Nov. 3.—Judge C. H. Hanford today handed down his decision in the famous salvage case of the Canadian-Australian steamship line, owner of the Miowera and the Pacific Improvement line, owner of the steamer Mineola.

It will be remembered that the Miowera while towing the Strathnevis to Destruction Island parted the hawser and on the following morning could not get sight of the stranded steamer anywhere.

It is also learned that the National Athletic Club to postpone the date of the battle for two weeks, and Carroll's match was asked as a matter of course.

Full Court: Pacific Casket and Furniture Company vs. Scottish Union & National Insurance Co. This is an appeal from a judgment of the Chief Justice given at Vancouver allowing the plaintiffs \$1,500.

There are no funds. Treasurer of the Orphans' Home Has No Money for Food.

The ladies' committee of the Protestant Orphans' Home held their usual monthly meeting yesterday afternoon at the residence of Mrs. Kent, the president.

After the routine business had been disposed of and the accounts examined, it was reported by the lady treasurer that there were no funds on hand.

The branch of the Y.W.C.A. started in the home was reported to be progressing favorably, but material was needed to teach plain sewing.

The matron's report said that the 57 children in the home at present were all in excellent health.

KILLED THE SECOND OFFICER. Third Officer of the Whaler Balenaena Under Arrest.

San Francisco, Nov. 3.—Shortly after the whaler Balenaena came into port her third officer, Harry C. Bowen, who is charged with the murder of Second Officer Frank Jones, was turned over in double irons to the U. S. marshal.

Jones was a bully, it is said, and frequently went out of his way to insult and abuse Bowen and the pair had two open fights, the last of which ended in the death of Jones.

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SPORTING INTELLIGENCE. Events of Interest in the Amateur and Professional Field.

THE OAR. TO COACH HARVARD. New York, Nov. 2.—A special to the World from Boston says: The Harvard athletic committee, through its chairman, J. H. Beale, has sent a telegram to Mr. R. C. Leaman, the celebrated English rowing authority, asking him to coach the Harvard University crew for the season of 1896-97.

THE RING. MATCH POSTPONED. San Francisco, Nov. 2.—Jack McAuliffe and Jimmy Carroll met at Barney Farley's road house yesterday afternoon to discuss a little matter of business and to make a deal of good talk.

Representatives of Vancouver Syndicate at Nanaimo.

A deputation representing the Vancouver Victoria & Eastern Railway & Navigation Company waited on the Nanaimo city council on Monday to enlist support for that scheme.

LOSES A YEAR'S SALARY. Li Hung Chang's Punishment for a Little Indiscretion.

Peking, Nov. 3.—Although advised to deprive Li Hung Chang of all his offices, the Emperor has substituted for this punishment the loss of a year's salary.

Lard, 10c. per lb. Hams, 15c. per lb. Bacon, 15c. per lb. Coffee, 25c. per lb. Pure Coffee, 40c. per lb. M. M. Tea, \$1.35 5 lb. box. Finnan Haddies. Kippers, Bloaters. Choice Black Tea, \$1.00 per box. Granulated Sugar, \$5.00 per cwt. Dry Salt Bacon, 9c. per lb. \$8 per cwt.

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