COTTO MA PIMES TRIBAT, SEPTEMBER ESCHOOL

The City Council Last Evening Polished Off Revenue By-Law, 1900.

Sorby Claim Rejected -- Engineer For Pumping Station Appointed.

evening polished off considerable business and displayed a penchant for handling by-laws that was a revelation. The revenue by-law which had been un- and the plaintiff non-suited on the 4th der consideration for some time past July, 1895, but without costs. was passed, while some other by-laws were introduced and read a first and plans competition inaugurated by the reopening of the question. council of 1894 in regard to the construction of a permanent roadway over to the council renewing his claim for James Bay bride. Mr. Sorby's plan was \$350. On 30th December, 1895, the said adjudged superior in merit to the others, letter was read, and, on motion of Alderbut the prize was not awarded to him man Bragg, seconded by Ald. Humphreys, on the ground that his estimate had exceeded the amount allowed \$80,000. ceived and Mr. Sorby informed that want From then until now the question has been before various councils. Last evening the report of the committee recommending the payment of the prize money, \$350, was rejected.

The entire council were present and on previous occasions, there being in the neighborhood of eight.

After the customary formalities a comday be repealed and that they be compelled to pay \$20 for six months.

This was laid on the table until the later in the evening. R. S. Day, agent for See Hop Ton, ask-

ed for a remission of taxes on the improvements on his client's property to city assessor and the finance committee for report.

T. Watson offered to sell the electric lighting equipment now strung across Government street for \$45. Referred to the electric lighting committee and the lighting superintendent for report. Emma A. Lewis, secretary of the Ep-

worth League, asked if hymn books had been removed from the Old Men's Home by the authority of the council. Referred to the standing committee

of the home for report.

The report was adopted without dis-

The building inspector recommended the destruction of several structures in tion. the rear of Government street, the property of Thomas Allsop. In moving the adoption of the report, Ald. Williams to the shacks on Government street between Johnson and Pandora streets, which had been condemned. He was inthe necessary improvement.

The owners of both premises will be asked to appear before the council at a meeting on Friday next to advance reasons why these shacks should not be destroyed.

James Lyon and others petitioned for the inauguration of an electric light on the corner of Edmonton and Cedar Hill roads. Referred to the electric lighting committee for report.

James Baker and fifteen others asked that Douglas street, between Tolmie and Topaz avenues, be repaired. Referred to the city engineer for report.

The next matter to receive consideration and resultant action, and that of the greatest interest to a number of the audience, was the appointment of an engineer for the pumping station.

Before the balloting Ald. Brydon asked if three men were to be placed in charge. He claimed that there should be somebody who would be responsible. If anything went wrong and a fire occurred it would be the old song, "too many cooks spoiled the broth."

The mayor explained that the advertisement called for an engineer for the station, and nothing was mentioned about placing anybody in charge. The balloting then took place, the applicants being C. Sivarts, T. Collins, Jas. Taylor, F. Jones, and W. Arten. On the first ballot Sivarts received 3, Taylor 4, and Collins, Jones and Arten one each. On the second ballot Taylor received 4. Sivarts 2, and the others one each. On the third ballot Taylor received 6, and Sivarts and Collins two apiece. Taylor was consequently ap-

The special committee appointed to deal with Mr. Sorby's claim for prize money in connection with competitive plans called by the city council of 1894 reported as follows:

Your committee to whom was referred Mr. Sorby's communication of the 13th July last with reference to the payment of \$350 to the author of the design marked "Coeur Fidele," beg to report as follows: We find that on the 26th April, 1894, notice was published in the local papers calling for competitive plans and estimates of cost for the construction of a permanent roadway across James Bay, stating that plans and profile of the site and particulars of the competition were to be seen at the office of the city engineer. One of the terms was that the amount proposed to be expended was not to ex-

ceed \$80,000. That 21 plans were received in answer to the above notice; that these plans were referred to a special committee consisting of Mayor Teague, Alderman Harris, the city engineer, and Sir Joseph Trutch; the

August, 1894, that the plans marked "Coeur first and second in point of merit, but should be paid. that they were advised by the city engineer that he estimated their cost would xceed \$80,000, and consequently neither plan fulfilled the special term of the competition. To this report both the authors of the selected designs objected, and the matter was referred back to the committee, who, on the 26th Sept., 1894, reported recommending the payment of \$350 to the author of "Coeur Fidele," and \$150 to the author of "Horatius."

Your committee cannot find from examination of the minutes that the last report was ever dealt with by the council of 1894. On 25th November, 1894, Mr. Lindley Crease wrote to the corporation asking a reply to his communication of the 7th November, with reference to the The municipal governing body last award. On the 16th November this letter was simply received and filed.

On the 27th November, Mr. Sorby enter ed suit to recover first prize of \$350. This suit was tried before Mr. Justice Drake

On 22nd January, 1895, Mr. Sorby wrote requesting payment of the \$350, and on the 24th January, 1895, this letter was referred second time. They will be dealt with by appointment to the mayor and the in committee of the whole on Monday streets committee. The committee reportevening next. Another subject that can- ed on the 28th January, 1895, that in their not exactly be designated a new one opinion the action taken by the council also came up, and that was the claim of 1894 was a final settlement as far as of Thomas Sorby for prize money of the council was concerned, and that it fered by the city to the winner of the did not feel justified in recommending the On 27th December, 1895, Mr. Sorby wrote

of funds debarred the council from entertaining his proposition and acceding to his request.

On 7th January, 1896, Mr. Sorby again wrote to the council renewing his application. It was moved by Ald. Tiarks, seconded by Ald. Partridge, that the comthe audience was somewhat larger than munication be received and referred to a special committee to report to the council. It was moved in amendment, and carried, by Alderman Macmillan, and seconded by munication was read from Alfred Gib- Ald. Humphreys, that the mayor be reson, secretary of the Retail Grocers' As- quested to call a meeting of the council to sociation, asking that the section of the deal with the matter, and the clerk lay Market by-law allowing peddlers to all the documents in possession of the peddle fruit and fish for five cents per corporation relating to the matter before the said meeting.

On 7th February, 1896, the special meeting was held, but, after discussion, no consideration of the Revenue by-law definite action was taken. On the 10th February, 1896, Mr. Sorby wrote the council, and at the meeting of the council held on the 11th February it was moved by Ald. Macmillan, seconded by Ald. Tiarks, that which had been pulled down. Referred the whole matter be laid over and referred to the mayor, the city solicitor and city barrister to determine whether the council has the power to pay the claim or not. On 12th March, 1896, Messrs. Taylor & Mason gave the following written opin-

Re Sorby Claim .- In this matter, the court having decided that Mr. Sorby was not entitled to the prize money sued for, not having brought himself within the terms of advertisement in two particulars -Firstly, plans not complete; secondly, cost of construction in excess of maximum prescribed-it would not be lawful for the corporation to pay to Mr. Sorby the mending the laying of drains on Belton amount sued for as prize money. However, avenue, costing \$30, and a sidewalk on if the corporation should deem it expedient the north side of Chatham street, be- or advisable to acquire the plans prepared by Mr. Sorby and to pay a sum therefore equal to the prize money proposed, it would be lawful for it so to do. The question of the expediency of such action is a matter entirely for the council's considera-

The opinion was read at a meeting of the council held on 16th March, 1896, when it was moved that the communication be re asked how the time stood with regard ceived after a copy had been sent to Mr. Sorby, which was done. On the 18th March, 1896, Mr. Sorby wrote the council offering to sell the plans to the city for formed that the owners or agents of \$350, in accordance with the advice of the this building had still a week to institute city barrister and solicitor and city engineer. On the same date the above letter was read at the council meeting, when it was resolved that the communication of Mr. Sorby be received and filed and he be informed that the city does not wish to purchase the plans.

On January 23rd, 1809, there is a minute of council stating that a letter was read by Mr. Sorby in reference to construction of a stone bridge across James Bay and his plans of same, requesting payment of premium advertised by the corporation in 1894. It was moved by Ald. Humphrey, and seconded, that the communication with enclosure be received and laid on the

So far as your committee are aware no

matter. The plans signed "Coeur Fidele" are still in the possession of the council. Ex-Mayor Teague has also been seen with reference to the action of the committee of 1894, and he stated that he could not now recollect why the second report of the committee had not been dealt with by the council of that year, but that his pinion always was, and still is, that Mr Sorby is entitled to be paid the sum of \$350, as he complied with all the requirements of the competition so far as it was possible for any one to do so.

Your committee may point out the fur ther fact that, besides doing all possible to comply with the terms of the permanent roadway competition, Mr. Sorby has ever since taken a deep interest in the city's welfare, and has devoted much time needed improvements to our city harbor. In view of the facts the committee are of opinion that it would be only justice to Mr. Sorby and advisable in the interests of the city to pay the sum of \$350 to him. thus acquiring the plans, as before advised by the former city engineer and the city barrister and solicitor. And your committee would accordingly recommend the said payment.

All of which is respectfully submitted. J. STUART YATES, Chairman.

JOHN HALL. Ald. Yates, in moving the adoption of the report, explained that he regarded the council as one continuing body, who should endeavor to right any unjustice committed by previous municipal coun-

Ald. Brydon seconded the adoption of he report, and stated that he had recently had a conversation with ex-Mayor Teague, who had most strongly asserted that Mr. Sorby should receive the

Ald. Beckwith also favored paying the amount. If a previous council had refused to do so on the plea that they pill a dose, 25 cents a box, at all dealhad no available funds, they had simply ers, or Edmanson, Bates & Co., Toronmade laughing stocks of themselves. The

committee reported on the 21st day of city had advertised for plans, and gentlemen in good faith had competed for Fidele" and "Horatius" respectively rank them. He contended that Mr. Sorby

Ald. Stewart thought otherwise. At that time he believed that Mr. Sorby should be paid. This had not been done. and he did not believe that the rate payers would countenance the payment of the money after the matter had been thrown out by previous councils.

Ald. Kinsman did not favor the adoption of the report. Mr. Sorby was always before the council for some thing or other.

The mayor was also unfavorable to paying the amount. The matter had judge had non-suited the case. The cost of construction as outlined was excessive of the amount of money subscribed. What was the use of purchas- the prisoner. ing plans new that there was no necessity for them?

The motion being put it was lost on the following division: Ayes-Ald. Yates, Brydon, Beckwith,

Cooley and Hall. Noes-Mayor Hayward, Ald. Kinsman, Stewart, Cameron and Williams. In this connection Ald. Yates asked that the item for band concerts in the park, amounting to \$240, be laid over. There was some disagreement between the park committee and Mr. Finn, leader of the Fifth Regiment band. Mr. Finn claimed seven concerts, and the park committee disputed his right to the seventh under authority. The committee

Ald. Hall read a communication from Mr. Finn, in which he embodied a bill for six concerts, but reserved the right to bill the council for the seventh. This letter, however, had been withdrawn. Finally it was decided, upon the suggestion of the city solicitor, to make a tender of the \$240 in full settlement to Mr. Finn. The finance committee's report was then adopted as amended.

did not desire that this money be paid

until the matter was settled

The council then manifested a desire to tackle the by-laws. Leave was grant- result that the prisoner was acquitted ed for the introduction of a by-law to authorize the sale of lands within the city of Victoria upon which taxes have been due in arrears for two years, and a | that he never saw Mr. Thicke before in by-law to provide for the city's share of the cost of paving Yates and Broad streets. These were read the first and second time, and will be dealt with in committee of the whole on Monday evening next.

The by-law to amend the Yates and Broad streets local improvement by-law was introduced, and considered in committee of the whole, reported complete and read a third time. It will probably be passed next Monday night. The revenue tax by-law was then dealt with, and in this connection the communica-

tion of A. Gilson was considered. The clause and sub-section dealing with this matter are as follows: Every hawker or peddler engaged in hawking or peddling fish, game or farm produce (not of his own raising or growing), \$19 for every six months; every hawker or peddler engaged in hawking or peddling, otherwise than mentioned in the preced-

ing sub-section, \$20 for every six months. Ald. Cameron pointed out that a distinction was made in the hy-law hetween the hawking of fish and game, and that of other articles. This constituted a difheulty in the way of acceding to the grocers' requests. He believed, however, that the imposition of tax as suggested by the grocers would discourage an ob-Ald Yates believed that the consensus

of opinion among the ratepayers " was that the hawkers were really conveni-

Ald. Stewart did not think the council ould consistently make the license more than \$10 per six months. The clause finally passed, as did also

the sub-section. The clause providing for the imposition of a license charge of \$100 on circuses also passed. Ald. Williams wanted the amount increased to \$260. but the other members of the council opposed this. Even they enjoyed a circus oceasionally, and did not favor restricting it to such an extent.

The committee then rose and reported the by-law complete with amendments. It was read a third time and subsequently passed. The council then adjourned

A letter received from the North reports the following additional sealing catches to those given by the officers of H. M. S. Pheasant: Umbria, August 18th, 98 skins; E. B. Marvin, August 14th, 100; Venture, August 15th, 40; August 17th, 300; Carlotte G. Cox, August 18th, 300; Allic J. Alger, August 21st, 440; Director, August 22nd, further action has taken place on the 280, and Saucy Lass, August 22nd, 120.

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NATURALIZATION FRAUDS.

Japanese Says He Received a Certificate After Being in the Country a Few Months.

Vancouver, Sept. 24.-In the police court to-day a Japanese named Shabata was brought before Police Magistrate Russell, the information reading that he had resided in Canada for four years that he might secure naturalization papers, when, as a matter of fact, he had only come into the country in March been ventilated in the courts and the last. Mr. W. J. Bowser represented the Attorney-General's department, and G. E. Corbould, Q. C., represented Japanese Consul Shimezu, in looking after

The notary who signed the declaration declaring that Shabata had taken the oath of residence, T. J. Thicke, swore that he had issued 400 such declarations and could remember none of the men who had come before him.

Nagoa, the Japanese labor contractor, whose signature was on the Shabata declaration as witness, said that he could not remember those who came to his office and asked to be taken to a notary, and he did not remember Shabata. He swore that he had taken 40 Japanese during the season to Mr. Thicke and others, to have them sworn for naturalization at their own request.

Mr. Bowser here produced the fraudulently obtained naturalization certificate and said he would prove that Shabata came to Victoria for the first time from Japan on March 22, by evidence of Inkatora Ike, another prisoner,

Mr. Corbould declared that he had promised to help the prosecution out all he could. and, fortunately, he could help Mr. Bowser's effort to prove fraud without prejudicing the case of the prisoner He would volunteer placing the prisoners in the box. This was done, with the of the charge of perjury, but created a sensation by declaring that he had never appeared before T. J. Thicke, notary; his life: and took no oath before any notary since he had been in the country

Mr. Bowser then asked the prisoner if he was a British subject or a Japanese. The prisoner answered, through the interpreter, "I am a Japanese." The rest of his evidence was as follows: "I do not know what a naturalization certificate means. I did not know that had to have one before I could fish for salmon. I did not go to Nagoa and ask him to take me to a notary. I never saw Nagoa (a Japanese labor contractor) until three days before I was arrested, when I asked him for work. I arrived in Victoria on April 22nd (March 22nd by the English calendar). I was there met by Saku Ragi, labor contractor, of Victoria, who said he had a job for me. came by way of Vancouver, bound for Wharnock's cannery, Rivers Inlet. I was in Vancouver one hour. I did not leave the boat. I went to Rivers Inlet and to the cannery. I had been there about a month when Aitya handed me that paper," pointing to the naturalization certificate, "telling me to keep it. He did not say what it was, and I did not know what it was. I came from Japan six months ago and was never out of

Japan before that." This finished the case, and Magistrate Russell said he could not send the case up for trial and would have to dismiss it as there was no evidence of perjury. Mr Corbould agreed to allow Mr Bowser to keep the bad naturalization

papers of three of the prisoners. All the other cases were withdrawan. The Trades and Labor Council claim that over 1,000 Japanese were natural ized this season. They ask for a royal commission.

STOCK IMPORTATIONS.

Splendid Selection Made By Mr. Hodson-Full Particulars Regarding the Cattle. Full particulars of the carload of

stock, imported by the Dairymen's Association of British Columbia, have just been received, and show that the selection by F. W. Hodson has been an excellent one.

Seventeen head of cattle, consisting of six Jerseys, five Ayrshire and six shorthorns, have been sent. Among the Jerseys are two young bulls who took second and third prize at the Toronto exhibition. They were bred by Messrs, B. H. Bull and sons, of Brampton, Ont. From this herd comes also a cow, which took second at Toronto in the 3-year-old class. Another heifer comes from the celebrated Dentonia Park herd, belonging to W. E. Massey, of the Massey-Harris Co., Toronto,

The Ayrshires Mr. Hodson considers an exceptionally good lot. One bull, bred by the Hon. Thos. Ballantyne, of Stratford, from Scotch stock, has headed Mr. Drummond's herd, which is considered one of the best, if not the best, herd in Canada of this bred.

The heifers are bred from well-known prize winners on both sides by Mr. Drummond, of Myrtle, Ont.

The shorthorns were the most expensive to buy, being at the present time very much in demand. Two of them come from the herd of Hon. J. Dryden, minister of agriculture for Ontario, a noted shorthorn breeded. The others come from Messrs. Young Bros. and Jas. Cook, of Whitley.

The cattle are not fancy exhibition stock that have been blanketed all their lives, but were for the most part brought right in the field. The stock should prove a great feature at New Westminster, and when they are scattered throughout the province should materially improve our dairy herds. Included in the car are five young

and five Yorkshires. Improved dairy stock is in demand in the province, and this demand is likely to increase as farmers appreciate the value of stock which has been bred for milk and butter for many generations. The prices paid for these animals were very moderate, and the expenses of the importation were small. It is believed that the bidding will be within the reach

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POLITICAL PARAGRAPHS

to Sacrifice—Meetings in Victoria

This Week.

At Nanaimo just now the Conserva-

tives are lying low and awaiting develop-

ments. This information was volunteer-

ed by a prominent member of the Con-

servative party who spent the night in

the city. When asked as to what can-

didate the party would bring out for

Vancouver district, the gentleman was

unable to say. From other sources, how-

ever, comes the information that Andrew

Haslam, the proprietor of the Nanaimo

come out for the district as a Conserva-

tive candidate. But Mr. Haslam's mind

polled by the Conservative party on the

time and the money that was spent in

towards his mills, now hard crowded to

fill orders, and then he shakes his head

and says: "This is my busy season. No

Mr. Haslam will not be a candidate.

Gilbert McKinnell, who allowed his name

to go before the electors of Nanaimo as

Conservative candidate in the last pro-

vincial election, is being groomed and

may be induced to enter the race. Mr.

McKinnell did not run in the provincial

election contest. He filed his nomination

papers, but three days later he con-

cluded that his election was among the

remotest of remote possibilities, and he

Fred. McB. Young, a bright attorney

doing business in the Coal City, is also

being urged to run, but Mr. Young has

not yet told his friends what his inten-

This evening the Conservatives in this

city will hold a meeting at Forester's

hall, and at this meeting committees will

be selected for active organization. An

invitation to attend the meeting is ex-

tended to all opponents of the present

taken off his coat and settled down to

work in the political campaign. He will

support William Sloan in Vancouver dis-

trict and together with that gentleman

he left Nanaimo for Comox yesterday

morning. On the same boat were J. H.

Hawthornthwaite and Gerald H. Cross,

who were on their way to the same 'ec-

tion of the country to work in the in-

A convention will be held in A. O. U.

purpose of nominating candidates |

W. hall this evening by the Liberals for

for the approaching elections. George

R. Maxwell, the Vancouver member of

the Dominion House, will deliver an ad-

A meeting of the Liberal-Conservatives

terests of Ralph Smith's candidature.

W. B. McInnes, M. P. P., has

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government.

There is other material in Nanaimo.

politics for me this year, thank you."



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and the work of organization perfected Arrangements were also made for hold ing ward meetings. H. D. Helmcken, M. P. P., president of the association, Nanaimo Conservatives Looking For Some One occupied the chair, and during the meet-

ing addresses were delivered by the chairman and Thos. Earle M. P. The following telegram was received from Cumberland to-day:

"Smith returns to-morrow and will unloubtedly be a candidate. At a Liberal meeting held here last night Sloan, Mcnnes, Hawthornthwaite and Cross spoke. Hawthornthwaite pressed for delayed action and repudiated the Nanaimo convention. The meeting finally adjourned without endorsing Sloan or the convention.

WHEN IT HURTS TO COUGH.

The cough that hurts, the cough that sawmill, is being urged to once more gets tight in the chest, is daily getting deeper and deeper into the bronchial tubes and is making directly for the lungs, to goes back a few years, and he thinks of become pneumonia, inflammation of the the comparatively small vote that was lungs or consumption. Such coughs yield only to the wonderful efficiency of Dr. day of the last Dominion election. And Chase's Syrup of Linseed and Turpentine, then, too, he remembered the wasted which loosens the tightness and cures cough and cold together. 25 cents a bottle. making a futile campaign. He turns Family size 60 cents, soid everywhere.

MUCH PROPERTY DESTROYED. Fire Has Been Raging in California for

Several Days-Damage, \$1,500,000. Santa Rosa, Cal., Sept. 25 .- A fire which has been burning for several days about Occidental has covered 150 square miles, and the damage is estimated at \$1,500,000. A fire built to burn brush at Freestone started the conflagration. So desperate was the situation that the women and children of the town were placed in cars and carried out of the burning district.

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