

WOMAN OFFICER

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AL KAMLOOPS

Up-to-date \$120,000 furnishings

The plans pre- sential, the by- by a large and most modern and for erection on Nicola road and building desired feet, and is 144 composed of what the main building the ground floor room, kitchen provided for in private wards. The two large wards rooms, etc., and 16 beds each, as well as 144 provided for. The rooms, and diet the same floor. Private wards and dining of five beds, dispensary, X-ray is also provided

as two wards of to the ones of the to twelve private operating room, storeroom and kitchen connection with take up the re- space. The building is of brick and finished with cor- built with a flash- ally be arranged use by patients of sun baths, etc. ided for the con- of a building id be \$120,000.

ER CASE. Committee Will U. S. Senate

HENDON MESSIAH

MAYOR MORLEY SPEAKS OF WATER COMMITTEE

Brief Address From His Worship at Last Night's Inaugural Session

(From Tuesday's Daily.)

In a short address to the members of the board at last evening's inaugural session of the city council, Mayor Morley gave notice of his intention at an early date to move for the appointment of a special water committee, and in this connection mentioned the names of Anton Henderson and John Meston. His worship also made a plea for harmony among the members of the board.

In his opening statements his worship said that usually the first meeting of the incoming council was seized upon by the mayor as an occasion to outline to the members what would probably be the work of the year. In view of the fact, however, that he had recently gone over the ground pretty fully in his annual report and in view of the further fact that the Times that evening had published an "excellent article" outlining the various projects which would be dealt with, he felt that no very lengthy remarks were required from him.

He would say to them, however, that in view of the fact that the board this year had a number of members who could not be familiar with all that had been done, he had arranged a little innovation, having instructed the city clerk to prepare a complete report of all the work which the board would have to face to date and a synopsis of what was left over from last year. In short, a complete statement of the city's affairs would be laid before them. This information would be available on Friday evening next.

Referring to the proposed alterations in the procedure of the work of the council, he thought that the public would approve of the same. He hoped to so arrange matters that the council this year would be given every opportunity to conduct the affairs of the city on strictly businesslike lines. He did not want to do away with bona fide discussion but trusted that the real work would be done in committee, with very little talk. It was a case of getting down to business.

In respect to the project for bringing water from Sooke Lake, that was a matter which would have to engage their very serious attention. He had on a former occasion expressed the opinion that he would report to the council on the matter with profit, considering whether it could not secure the assistance of two gentlemen who, although not members of the board, had been very active on behalf of the project. He thought an advisory committee should be formed and these two gentlemen asked to serve thereon.

He referred to the person and John Meston, and in doing so he tribute to those gentlemen for the splendid service they had rendered the city in connection with the solution of the water problem, which has been the citizens generally would approve of.

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FRIENDLY WRESTLING BOUT PROVES FATAL

Two Men Fall Through Hotel Window and Are Instantly Killed

Seattle, Wash., Jan. 17.—That John Anderson and Ben Christensen were only engaged in a friendly wrestling bout when they crashed through a third story window in a local hotel and were hurled to death on the pavement below, was determined yesterday after investigations by the police.

Anderson was owner of a saloon and the other man was his bartender. After closing up shop on Saturday night the two went to Lexington hotel, where both roomed, and early Sunday morning engaged in a scuffle which did not even have a quarrel for a basis. They were just "fooling" when they stumbled and both fell through a window, locked in each other's embrace. They fell forty feet to the sidewalk below, and both were dead when spectators reached them.

MAY INTRODUCE BOARD CONTROL

MAYOR'S SUGGESTION MADE LAST NIGHT

Scheme Laid Over for Two Weeks at Request of Aldermen

(From Tuesday's Daily.)

If changes proposed by Mayor Morley at last evening's meeting of the city council be adopted alterations will be made in the manner in which the body deals with the public affairs of the city. His worship favors council meetings held but once a month, the creation of a board of works which shall be composed of the heads of the various standing committees and all work to be carried through under the direction of an administrative committee of control.

The fact that the mayor had something of this kind in his mind was first communicated to the members of the council at a special private conference held on Saturday last. After hearing an outline of the scheme it was suggested to the mayor that he better furnish each alderman with the details of the proposal in writing, and this was done yesterday afternoon, as follows:

"The council proper to meet once in each month for matters of general policy and legislation. Additional meetings can be held if necessary. Section 27 Municipal Clauses Act. "Board of Works.—To consist of the whole council and to absorb all former committees entailing works of construction or maintenance, namely: Streets, bridges and sewers committee, parks and boulevards committee, buildings and surveys, electric light. Each of these departments to be represented by a committee of one, called chairman, whose individual duty shall be to lay reports and recommendations before the board for approval or rejection. Sec. 111, Sub-sec. (c) Municipal Clauses Act. "All work, after approval, to be carried out through an administrative committee of control as hereafter specified. "Board of works to be empowered by resolution of council to order all works carried out without further reference to the council, that have been (Concluded on page 7.)

ADJUSTS NEW STREET CLAIMS

WAY IS NOW CLEAR FOR EXTENSION OF STREET

City Solicitor McDiarmid Makes a Gratifying Report to City Council

(From Tuesday's Daily.)

City Solicitor McDiarmid, at last evening's meeting of the city council, reported the result of the arbitration proceedings recently undertaken between the city and property owners and lessees affected by the extension of View street to Government street. The amounts to be paid are: J. & J. Douglas, \$176,000; Messrs. Henry Young & Co., \$12,500, and A. E. Allen & Co., \$5,750. The claims put in by them some time ago were: J. & J. Douglas, \$100,000; Henry Young & Co., \$12,000; A. E. Allen & Co., \$15,850.

The city solicitor, in reporting, said: "The finding is a trifle higher than the smallest offered, and therefore carries the costs of the arbitration. It is, however, \$35,000 less than the lowest price which we were able to obtain from the parties by negotiation, and \$70,850 less than the price proffered by the arbitrators on their behalf." The solicitor advised that no appeal be taken from the arbitration, and that payment should be made upon the basis of the findings. The report was adopted, Ald. Morris and Ald. H. H. Fullerton taking occasion to say that in their opinion the city solicitor was to be complimented for the manner in which he had so successfully handled such a difficult question.

The building inspector reported that Sprout Balcorn, of the Pacific Whaling company, had abandoned his intention of seeking to erect an oil refining tank at a site on Blanchard street, but would do so on private property. Inasmuch as the council has no jurisdiction over what is done on private property, the existence of a nuisance has been proved no action will be taken to prevent Capt. Balcorn from proceeding with the installation of the tank.

The request of Thos. Hooper, architect, on behalf of D. Spencer, Ltd., for a permit for certain alterations to the Victoria theatre entrance, was referred to Ald. Ross, chairman of the buildings and surveys committee, the building inspector and fire chief, with power to act.

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JOSEPH MARTIN IS OUTSPOKEN

Says Asquith is Poorest Parliamentary Leader Imaginable Except Balfour

Winnipeg, Jan. 17.—Joseph Martin, M.P. for East St. Pancras in the Imperial parliament, who is on his way to the coast, said in an interview here yesterday: "In my opinion Mr. Asquith is the poorest parliamentary leader imaginable except Mr. Balfour. Five-sixths of the present Liberal party consists of Radicals, and we are shedding Whigs at every election. While Mr. Asquith remains leader, he is still further away from the Radical point of view than he is from Mr. Balfour."

ATTEMPT TO KILL FRENCH PREMIER

FIRE AT IN THE CHAMBER OF DEPUTIES

M. Briand Escapes Injuries but Director of Public Relief is Wounded

(Times Leased Wire.)

Paris, Jan. 17.—An unidentified man this afternoon made an unsuccessful attempt to assassinate Premier Briand. The would-be assassin fired from behind a pillar in the chamber of deputies while that body was in session.

The bullet missed Premier Briand, standing behind the speaker's chair. Minister Mirman, who is a director of public relief, was hit in the right leg and painfully injured.

In an instant the chamber was in an uproar and before the would-be assassin could fire a second shot, he was disarmed and placed under arrest.

The attack is the second that has been made upon the premier during the last few months. On November 20, M. Lacour, a Royalist, assaulted the premier during the ceremony attending the dedication of the Jules Ferry statue. Lacour, who was the premier's face and only a few days ago was given a long term sentence for the assault.

BUILD A NEW CHURCH

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CONGREGATION'S PLANS

Committee Named to Take Initial Steps—Most Successful Year of Pioneer Body

(From Tuesday's Daily.)

The features of the proceedings at the annual meeting of the congregation of the First Presbyterian church, held last evening, was the decision to at once take steps towards the erection of a new church building. The present structure, one of the landmarks of Victoria, has practically stood on its present site since the establishment of Presbyterianism in this province; the usefulness of which event will be celebrated this year.

Rev. Dr. Campbell was in the chair, and it was one of the most satisfactory meetings in the history of the church. The report of the session presented by "Thornton Hall" session clerk showed that a larger number of members were received during 1910 than in any of the preceding ten years, and the amount contributed to missions exceeded \$1,000, which was about treble that of any year but one of the last decade.

It was a record year for the number of communicants who attended the celebration of the Lord's Supper. The Laymen's Missionary committee work well justified the wisdom of its being brought into existence. The reports of the Sunday school, the Ladies' Aid Society, the Women's Missionary Society, the Christian Endeavor Society and the board of management, showed the congregation had been seldom, if ever, in better condition, and in better heart in entering on the work of the current year.

Messrs. E. J. Martin, McIvor and Dempster were re-elected to the board of finance, and F. O. Perry as a new member.

A committee was appointed to take the initial steps towards the erection of a new church, which would be up to date in all that is necessary to carry out the work worthy of the traditions of the congregation, the pioneers of Presbyterianism in the West, and a credit to the Queen city of the Pacific coast.

A hearty vote of thanks was extended to the pastor, the choir, the Sunday school teachers and the ushers, after which the ladies served refreshments, which were highly appreciated, the chairman presiding in a social chat over their tea and coffee.

Dr. Nesbitt reported in Buffalo—Detective Will Be Sent

LEGISLATURE OF SASKATCHEWAN

Re-Assembles After Holidays—Elevators and Workmen's Compensation Bills

(Special to the Times.)

Regina, Jan. 17.—The Saskatchewan legislature will re-assemble to-day for the purpose of taking up the work of the session. The first business taken up will be the discussion of the speech from the throne, which was read at the opening of the house on December 15. The address in reply will be moved by Dr. McNeil, member for Hanley, and seconded by J. J. Stevenson, member for Francis.

It is anticipated that the most important business of the session will be the measure dealing with elevators, arising out of the report of the elevator commission, and another dealing with workmen's compensation.

The sittings will be held in the new legislature buildings, although as the chamber itself is not yet completed use will have to be made of one of the large committee rooms.

Submits Report on Farmers' Bank

Curator Kept Busy Answering Questions

Dr. Beattie Nesbitt Reported in Buffalo—Detective Will Be Sent

(Special to the Times.)

Toronto, Jan. 17.—Interest was not lacking at the meeting of the shareholders of the Farmers' Bank called for this morning for the purpose of hearing the statement of the curator and the appointment of a liquidator.

ACTION STARTED AGAINST MAYOR

WILLIAM OLIPHANT IS THE PETITIONER

Corrupt and Illegal Methods Charged; in Addition to the First Ground Advanced

(From Tuesday's Daily.)

Acting under instructions from William Oliphant, a duly qualified voter of the city of Victoria, Frank Higgins and George Morphy, solicitors, this morning filed a petition in the supreme court praying that the court determine, on evidence to be produced, that Mayor Morley was not duly elected and that his election was void.

A copy of the petition was served on the mayor this morning from the sheriff's office. The next step will have to be taken by the mayor's solicitors, who must apply for particulars. The petitioner will then supply these and a date will be set for the trial before the Chief Justice.

In filing the petition the petitioner has invoked several grounds to cover the allegation that Mayor Morley was illegally elected as chief executive. The chief of these is the same ground taken by E. J. Perry, in his protest served on the city clerk last Saturday morning, alleging a bad election of the mayor and council on the ground that the voters list was not legally compiled. In the petition filed in the supreme court registrar's office this morning, however, there is no mention of the councillors, Mr. Oliphant directing his gaze solely against Mayor Morley.

The petitioner against the mayor's election further alleges that Mayor Morley was elected by himself and by his agents, through corrupt and illegal methods, and by bribery and treating.

Amid a mass of information said to have been placed in the hands of the petitioner and his solicitors, alleged to be proof of the contentions and charges set out in the petition, are charges that bribes were offered and accepted by a hackman who brought the voters to the polling booth. The action of Phil R. Smith, in taking up election signs on election morning, against which the petitioner protested, is one of the grounds which will be set out in the particulars, it is said.

The two material clauses in the petition containing the grounds on which the election of the mayor will be contested read as follows: "And your petitioner says that before the said election the said election the said Alfred James Morley was by himself and by his agent or agents guilty of illegal and corrupt practices and bribery and treating."

"And the petitioner further says that the voters list used at said election was not compiled or revised or certified in accordance with law, and that said Alfred James Morley did not obtain a majority of the votes cast by the duly qualified electors at said election."

PROTEST IS READ AT COUNCIL MEETING

Board Decides to Ask Legislature to Validate Various By-Laws

The notice of his intention to protest the recent municipal election on the ground of a faulty compilation of voters' lists, which had been served by E. J. Perry on the city clerk some days ago, was read at last evening's meeting of the city council. The communication elicited no comment and on motion of Ald. Langley it was referred to the city solicitor.

Later in the session Ald. Langley submitted the following resolution, which was carried unanimously: "That I hereby give notice that at the next meeting of the city council I shall move that the petition to the legislative assembly of the province of British Columbia, praying for the validation and confirmation of certain by-laws of this corporation be referred to be signed and have the corporate seal attached."

Ald. Langley explained that there are some 74 by-laws, including the four money by-laws passed at the recent election, which should be validated by the legislature. The majority referred to works of local improvement, which had been commenced and then changed, but before this could be done legal authority must be secured. In other words there had been technical errors, which require correction, and it had been thought well to include the four just passed so as to avoid any question of their validity.

REPORT DENIED. (Special to the Times.) Montreal, Jan. 17.—Sir Thomas Shaughnessy this afternoon issued a brief statement denying the frequently repeated report of a new \$20,000,000 Canadian Pacific stock issue. He stated there was nothing in the rumor. The Canadian Pacific is steadily at 12 1/2.

GIRLS RESCUED FROM BURNING FACTORY

It is Feared Number of Employees May Have Lost Their Lives in Flames

(Times Leased Wire.)

Atlanta, Ga., Jan. 17.—Heroic work by firemen resulted in the rescue of more than 100 girls from the third floor windows of a burning shirt waist factory here to-day. A score of the girls were overcome by smoke and the girls are being searched in the belief that possibly some of the workers may have been trapped.

LAW VIOLATED. Hereafter Warden of Oxford County Will Be Elected at Open Meeting of Council. Woodstock, Ont., Jan. 17.—Probably the effect of the inquiry into graft charges in connection with Oxford county affairs will be that a new election will be elected in open council instead of in committee or caucus. In the past number of years the council has openly violated the law, by selecting the warden in a caucus of the council. This has been done by ballot at the regular session a farce. This year the warden's selection will be in the regular way in open session.

BIPLANE OUTSPEDS AUTO. (Special Report, La., Jan. 17.—J. A. D. McCarty, in his airplane, outdistanced an automobile in a five-mile race here, covering the course in five minutes and seven seconds.

LAKE STEAMERS MAY CHANGE HANDS

Northern Navigation Co. Likely to be Absorbed by Inland Lines Limited

(Special to the Times.)

Sarnia, Ont., Jan. 17.—Intense interest was excited in the announcement that the Inland Lines Limited, or the Playfair interest, had offered to purchase the Northern Navigation Company, and that the directors before the board for approval or rejection. Sec. 111, Sub-sec. (c) Municipal Clauses Act.

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TELEPHONES FROM BOTTOM OF SEA

DEFICER OF SUBMARINE REPORTS ACCIDENT

Man Accused of Boycotting U. S. Government Found in U. S. Government

(Times Leased Wire.)

San Francisco, Jan. 17.—A cutting, arrested on Thursday last, for alleged swindling of the government by circulating goods bearing the name of the government, killed himself yesterday afternoon. He was found dead in his room, with a knife in his hand. The charges had evidently preyed on his mind, and on the table beside him was an incoherent note dealing with the case.

"I have a statement to make," the note said. "I never said Mr. Wilson more than the price listed in consular invoice for things shipped to me from the Orient. He was to buy 500 yards of goods and Buddha's last summer. The shipment of brocade was one which I made application for, but he took the Buddha with other things on consignment. To many could not handle them, so I declined to take them. Bertha and Agnes will furnish my bond. The \$20,000 belongs to them. My right side is paralyzed and I cannot be a drag upon anyone any more."

PREScription PRICES MAY BE INCREASED

Proposal Being Considered by Dominion Pharmaceutical Association

(Special to the Times.)

Toronto, Jan. 17.—The Dominion Pharmaceutical Association has under consideration a proposition for a general increase in the price of prescriptions given by doctors, under which scale an eight ounce preparation will cost not less than \$1. The reason advanced by druggists is that the out- rate and departmental stores have made such inroads on their general business that some means will have to be taken to recoup themselves, and this is considered the most advisable.

Under the scale of prices proposed all kinds of powders as well as liquids will be given a 25 per cent. increase.

STANDARD OIL CASE. Attorney for U. S. Government Continues Argument Before Supreme Court. Washington, Jan. 17.—Charges that the Standard Oil Company is a great trust and that its custom is to deliberately wreck the business of small competitors by price cutting, were among the accusations made against the alleged trust here yesterday by Frank B. Kellogg, federal trustbuster, when he resumed his argument before the U. S. Supreme court for the dissolution of the company.

CHINESE HAMPER WORK OF DOCTORS

People in Plague Stricken Districts Oppose Sanitary Measures—Villages Wiped Out

(Special to the Times.)

Peking, Jan. 17.—Reports from Harbin say the Chinese are vigorously opposing the sanitary disposition of the bodies of those who have died from the bubonic plague. The authorities do not dare burn them, the people desiring that they remain intact so that they may see them and recognize them in the future life.

They also oppose the burning of houses, some of which contain the dead bodies of entire families. Some of the corpses have remained in the city for days, but they are now being taken to the open country where trenches for their burial have been prepared.

It is reported that the Russians in Harbin are not concerning themselves with the Chinese section, although they are dealing dramatically with the Chinese within the Russian city. "The Chinese newspapers are raising an outcry and bringing forward serious charges of persecution and burial alive. The plague is of a very virulent type. Death usually occurs within 48 hours, and not more than 1 per cent. of the cases have ended in recovery. Dr. G. E. Mesny, a French physician, who gave himself up to the work of combating the disease, died heroically. When he realized that he was attacked by the plague, he isolated himself in his room in a hotel, drafted his will and wrote farewell letters. He begged his friends not to notify his wife of his illness and died alone.

TORONTO TRAMWAY CASE IN COURT

Twenty Witnesses Give Evidence Before Mr. Justice Riddell on Opening Day

(Special to the Times.)

Toronto, Jan. 17.—The case of the Toronto Street Railway Company, charged with maintaining a common nuisance, was opened yesterday before Mr. Justice Riddell. Twenty witnesses were heard, mostly in connection with various accidents on the company's lines during the past two years. Considerable testimony was incidentally adduced in regard to overcrowding and other events. The judge stated that he had set aside the whole week for the case and he issued a general invitation to all citizens interested to appear and give evidence or for ever after hold their peace.

RELATIONS WITH STATES. (Special to the Times.) Fort William, Jan. 17.—Fort William Board of Trade, in special session, approved of the following resolution sent up by the council of the board: "Resolved, that the Board of Trade, in its relations with the United States, and in its relations with the Dominion government, should be in the other direction, by raising the tariff of Canada as regards the United States, to a higher level in keeping with that which the latter has raised against Canada and other countries."

THE CORONATION. London, Jan. 17.—It is suggested that the coronation route be decorated by representatives of the over-seas Dominions, and it is also proposed that there may be an Empire Day celebration in the Dominion. It has been practically decided to invite representative members of the parliaments of the colonies to the coronation.