











Meetings Are Full of Interest

Second Day's Proceedings at Session of National Council of Women.

Addresses by Lady Taylor and Miss Perrin—At the Theatre.

Lady Taylor, president of the National Council of Women, presided at the session yesterday morning in the school room of St. Andrew's Presbyterian church.

In the afternoon there was an excursion by boat and steam launch up the Arm to the Gorge. On the return trip the party landed at the residence of the Premier, Burleigh, where the members were entertained by Mrs. James Dunsmuir.

In the evening a successful public meeting was held at the Victoria theatre, presided over by His Worship Mayor Hayward.

At the morning session, after silent prayer, Miss Perrin, as president of the Local Council, welcomed the officers and delegates of the National Council in the following words:

To the President, Officers and Visiting Delegates of the National Council of Women of Canada:

It is my privilege this morning, as president of the local council, on behalf of the women of this place, to welcome the officers and delegates of the National Council of the Women of Canada to the capital city of our province.

We are indeed glad to see here representatives from all parts of the Dominion and we take it as a compliment to our city that the true idea of union prevails in the work of the national council.

This is a happy coincidence that the meeting of the national council should be held in our "Queen City" in this year of triumph when we have been so patriotically brought together as a Dominion and as an Empire.

We cannot help sincerely regretting the absence of our own women, but we are proud to have been an inspiring power, and who, since the commencement of the work has been its centre and its guide.

At the last annual meeting a committee was appointed to promote the securing of work for the Transvaal. This committee has not been called upon to meet, but many of our local council members have been active in this regard.

Life is to wake not sleep. From earth's level, where blindly creep Things perfected, more or less, And where amid what strife and storm May wait the adventurous quest.

After roll-call, letters of apology for

absence were read from the Countess of Minto, Mrs. Boomer and Mrs. John McDougall, of Montreal.

THE GOVERNOR'S INVITATION. The following letter was then read and His Honor's kind invitation warmly accepted.

Dear Miss Perrin—I had the honor of being present at the meeting when Lady Taylor presided at the National Council of Women of Canada at Quebec in February, 1894.

A letter was next read from Hon. David Mills, minister of justice, announcing the changes in the Vagrancy Act recommended by the council had been made.

LADY TAYLOR'S ADDRESS. Lady Taylor then addressed the meeting. She said:

We are met for the seventh annual meeting under new and varied circumstances.

For the first time in our history we are without the gracious presence and guiding hand of our beloved founder and leader.

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careful study. The great work of preparing a hand book of Canadian women's work and organizations for the Paris exposition has been successfully completed.

That we have a secretary equal to a work of this kind is cause for congratulation and shows how well and wisely we made choice of that officer.

In the reports of local councils to be presented you will find that very general interest in all council work has been maintained, that many of the standing committees are still actively pursuing their objects for which they were formed.

There seems to be in many quarters a mistaken idea of the council and its province. A little thought would show that no aged person, not convicted of any other crime, but that poverty, could be committed to jail.

It is a chain linking together the women of all ranks and classes of the Dominion, and its highest usefulness must be found in helping all in touch one with another.

You will be asked to give consideration to the place and work of the International Council of Women.

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told the story of the British and Canadian flags. Children took naturally to flags, and there were numerous instances of the emblems of those days—the eagles—showed the advance of the various nations competing for the prize.

The lowering of the flag meant submission to the victor. Patriotism was the noblest of human emotions.

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Sectional conferences, 2:15 to 3:45; and a social association, 3:45 to 5:00. Lunch will be provided by the ladies of the Presbyterian churches of the city.

A prayer meeting under the auspices of the Y. W. C. A. will be held at the room 32 B. A. street, on Friday morning, lasting twenty minutes, so as to allow time to get to the St. Andrew's school at 8:00 o'clock.

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LAST CHANCE FIRE. Carrington Is Heard From. Fought the Boers on St Louis River and Thrashed Them.

Shortly before four o'clock Friday morning the southwest corner of the Last Chance ore house was seen to be on fire by some of the inmates of the manager's residence close by.

The Cape Parliament Refuses as Yet to Repeal Martial Law. London, July 26.—A new element has entered into the South African campaign.

The Cape Parliament refuses to accept a motion in favor of the repeal of martial law in Cape Colony made by Mr. John Vermeir.

The house cheered the government's decision. Sir Walter Hillier, Political Adviser to British Commander in Chief on the Way to China.

Montreal, July 24.—Sir Walter Hillier of London, England, who was recently appointed political adviser to the British military authorities in China.

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Parliament Refuses to Repeal Martial Law.

A new element has entered the African campaign with that General Carrington, who has had his first Boers and carrying them to St. Louis river on Monday.

Parliament refused to repeal in favor of the Cape Colony by Mr. Merriman, former colonial

generally expressed the opinion that the repeal should be made.

that the time had not yet

reached the government's de-

ALTER HILLIER.

to British Commander on the Way to China.

July 24.—Sir Walter Hillier

England, who was recently

adviser to the British

in China by Her Majesty

left for Vancouver by

limited yesterday. He was

by his private secretary, C.

Sir Walter, after his arrival

will proceed at once to

man-in-chief of the Brit-

China.

an appointed political adviser

in-chief," he said in

an interview. "I know the

roughly and speak the lan-

age and have spent many years

in and I was the first Ori-

to the embassy. I have

with the diplomatic ser-

vice of thirty years, sixteen

of the Celestial Em-

question as to the probable

ministers and foreigners at

the message is the most

that has been received from

capital in a month. It may be

the Chinese are fox beggars,

do not trust information re-

ceive Chinese sources."

to the attempt to relieve the

Pekin, Sir Walter said that

of travel in China was one

of the most serious prob-

lems facing the British. He

to have to contend. The road

to Peking was well kept

and the Pe-ho river was nav-

igable. He said, however, that

it would be to clear Tien

Chinese and protect the base

of this. This would be necessary

because of the "Chinese in-

fluence," he continued, "have

and puzzled me. Even knowing

well as I do, I never expected

should make such a decided

GOVERNOR-GENERAL

Winnipeg This Morning For

Victoria.

July 24.—Lord and Lady

ended an afternoon concert at

to-day, at which the music

was directed by His Excellency

by the ladies of the city. This

evening concert was the first

of the Governor-General and

Lady and a reception in the

reception in the city, which

was largely attended.

for Victoria early to-morrow

MISSION ADJOURNED.

ready Yet With Charges of

Corruption.

July 24.—The first meeting

of the electoral committee was

held at 10 o'clock this morn-

ing at Osgoode hall, but

Mr. Boyd received a telegram

that counsel was not ready,

and the meeting was indefi-

nitely postponed. It is

stated that no complaints

have been received as yet by

counsel respecting the

corrupt practices.

ELLE ISLE STRIKE.

foundland Coal Mine Troubles

Ended.

July 24.—The Belle

mine strike was practically

ended. The men practically

demanded.

FROM NANAIMO.

For Strikers—Prices For

Provincial Rifle Meet.

July 24.—A public meeting

last evening on behalf of the

fishermen. There was not

great attendance. The meeting

was held by W. McLean, of

Vancouver, who appealed to

the miners for financial

aid in the strike. He would

end in victory for the

if they held out for two

weeks. He said he would not

leave the men until the

fight was won and he

was prepared to lay down

his life for them.

GETS A DIPLOMA.

of Wales Now a Fellow

of College of Surgeons.

July 24.—The Prince of

Wales is now a fellow of the

Royal College of Surgeons.

The President of the

College of Surgeons, Mr. Wm.

MacCormack, has just

deputed that President H.

Highness with the diploma

at Osgoode House to-day.

Opening of Women's Council

Routine Taken Up at Yesterday's Session of Seventh Annual Meeting.

The Recording Secretary's Report—Mass Meeting at Theatre To-night.

Yesterday was a preliminary day to the actual beginning of the seventh annual meeting of the National Council of Women of Canada, now assembled in Victoria.

The morning was devoted to the transaction of necessary routine business, reports being read from the various standing committees on law, education, and the better protection of feeble-minded children, custody of the aged poor, immigration, raising of loan for Doukhobor women, aid for the Transvaal

colony, bureau of information, and the Canadian Women's Hand-Book. They all showed that steady work was being done, the question of the introduction and circulation of the periodical literature in the Dominion especially enjoying the attention of the committee.

The executive of the National Council met in the afternoon and got through their work in a thorough and efficient manner. The roll-call of the council responded to the roll-call. The recording secretary's report was read by Mrs. W. C. Hamilton, secretary of the Women of Canada.

The National Council of Women of Canada has now completed its seventh year of existence which has not passed by without its share of difficulties. It has been a year of constant activity, and the work of the council has been in the main successful.

Since our last annual meeting in Hamilton, the National Council has been busy with its work. It has held several meetings, and has been successful in its efforts to improve the condition of the feeble-minded, to secure the rights of the aged, and to improve the position of the Doukhobor women.

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Emergency Appropriations

Estimates for the Running Expenses to Be Discussed on Friday.

A Routine Day at the Legislature Punctuated by Mr. Martin's Attacks.

Public measures and private bills received an expeditious attention in the legislature yesterday afternoon. Of the former four bills, those affecting the Small Debts court evidence, notaries public, trustees, were all advanced a stage or two, while the Hon. the Attorney-General gave notice of the introduction of two more, viz. those amending the Supreme Court and the Juries Act.

The Hon. Mr. Turner then presented the following message from His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor: "The Lieutenant-Governor transmits to the legislative assembly a schedule of emergency supply for 1900, to be voted on for the payment of salaries, urgent public works and other necessary services for the financial year ending on the 31st of March, 1901, all payments from which sum will form a part of the estimates to be appropriated to the various departments of the government for the year 1900-1901, and recommends the same to the legislative assembly."

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TO-DAY'S PROGRAMME.

Council meeting, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Short prayer, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Roll-call of the council, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Address of welcome from the Victoria Local Council, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Reply to address of welcome by Miss Murray, St. John, N.B. Announcement of arrangements made by the Victoria hospitality committee and roll-call of affiliated local councils and nationally organized societies. Minutes of preceding meeting of council.

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Emergency Appropriations

Estimates for the Running Expenses to Be Discussed on Friday.

A Routine Day at the Legislature Punctuated by Mr. Martin's Attacks.

Public measures and private bills received an expeditious attention in the legislature yesterday afternoon. Of the former four bills, those affecting the Small Debts court evidence, notaries public, trustees, were all advanced a stage or two, while the Hon. the Attorney-General gave notice of the introduction of two more, viz. those amending the Supreme Court and the Juries Act.

The Hon. Mr. Turner then presented the following message from His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor: "The Lieutenant-Governor transmits to the legislative assembly a schedule of emergency supply for 1900, to be voted on for the payment of salaries, urgent public works and other necessary services for the financial year ending on the 31st of March, 1901, all payments from which sum will form a part of the estimates to be appropriated to the various departments of the government for the year 1900-1901, and recommends the same to the legislative assembly."

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