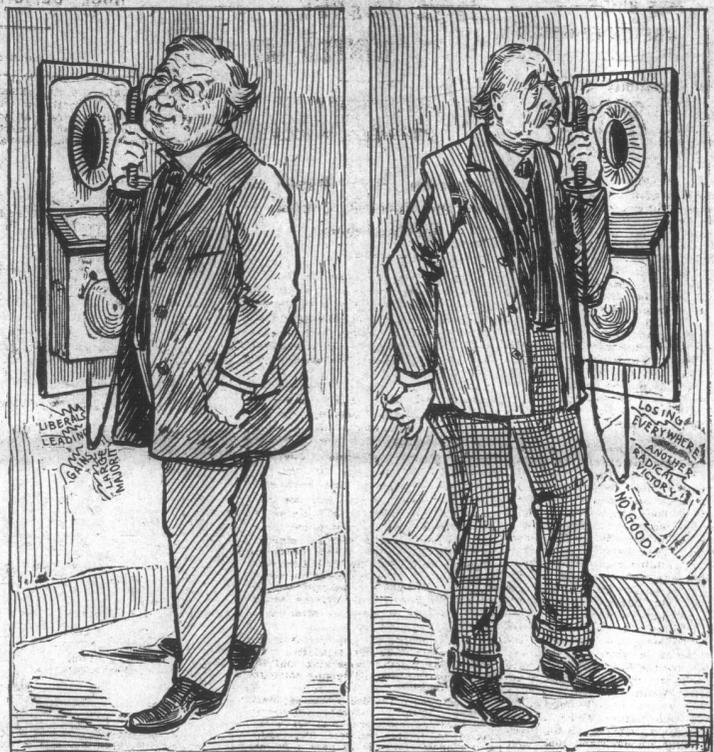


FREE HAND IS GIVEN TO MAYOR MORLEY

His Worship Is Empowered to Have a General Stock Taking at City Hall—Council Starts in Amicable Mood.

At one stroke, Mayor Morley, at Monday's meeting of the City Council, succeeded in accomplishing what he failed to do during his previous two years' term as mayor—the passing of a resolution empowering him to hold a thorough and complete investigation into the method of conducting affairs at the city hall, with power to arrange for an independent audit, a municipal stock-taking and the reorganization of the departments wherever it may be found necessary.

much misrepresented in the past in respect to his willingness to get along with the members of his council. He advised the new members of the board to study the Municipal Charter closely so as to familiarize themselves with the powers of the board.



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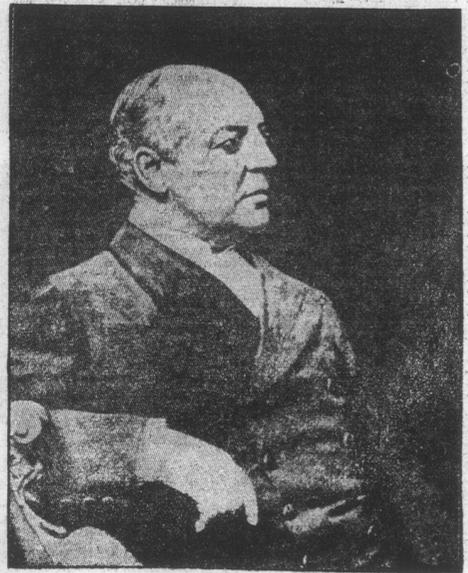
Financial Statement Presented at Monday Night's Council Meeting.

The deficit for the fall fair of 1909 amounts to nearly twenty thousand dollars—to be exact, \$19,373.44—according to the report of the auditor, J. L. Grimmonson, which was submitted to the City Council Monday by Mayor Morley.

When the report was presented Monday it was accompanied by a letter from J. E. Smart, the secretary of the Agricultural Association, Mr. Smart pointing out that at a meeting of the Agricultural Association held Monday he was instructed to request the council to consider assuming the liabilities shown in the statement.

The mayor remarked that he was afraid that the deficit would cripple the council in its street work. There was some peculiar items in the statement. One item provided for \$3,000 for salary of the secretary. This was more than received by any permanent official in the employ of the city, notwithstanding that there was only about the office secretary.

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C. P. R. EARNINGS. Montreal, Jan. 18.—C. P. R. earnings for the second week in January increased \$352,000 over the same week last year.

DR. COOK REPORTED TO BE IN GERMANY. Frankfort Newspaper Declares Explorer is Now in a Sanitarium.

Frankfort, Germany, Jan. 18.—Dr. Frederick A. Cook, the discredited Arctic explorer, has critically ill in a sanitarium near Heidelberg, according to a statement published in the Zeitung to-day.

MILLIONAIRE'S DEATH. Relatives of Late Colonel Swope, of Kansas City, Continue Investigation.

Kansas City, Mo., Jan. 18.—Physicians who examined the stomach of Colonel Thomas H. Swope, the Kansas City millionaire, who died October 3rd under mysterious circumstances, decided to-day that they found evidence of strychnine, Swope's nephew, Christian Swope, died December 2nd. It was established beyond all doubt that there was poison in his stomach. It is suspected that both men were poisoned by some one who hoped to receive a portion of the Swope fortune after their removal.

DIES SUDDENLY. Woodstock, Ont., Jan. 18.—Thos. Costin, aged 47, a prominent resident of Medicine Hat, Alta., who arrived here a short time ago, was struck by paralysis and died in the general hospital without regaining consciousness.

HUNGARIAN CABINET. Budapest, Jan. 18.—The new cabinet formed by Count Khuen Von Hederovary is composed as follows: Premier and minister of the interior, Khume Von Hederovary; minister of finance, M. George Lukacs; minister of justice, worship and education ad interim, Dr. Szekely; minister of agriculture, Count Serenyi.

SPAIN AGAIN IN STATE OF UNREST

TROUBLE DUE TO MOROCCAN SITUATION

Orders Have Been Issued By Government to Regarrison Posts.

Madrid, via Hendaye, Jan. 18.—Following the renewal of hostilities in Morocco between the Rif tribes and the Spanish under General Martinez, much popular dissatisfaction is finding expression to-day in Spain, and another outbreak of domestic strife, similar to that which recently threw Barcelona into a condition bordering upon civil warfare, is feared.

GLACE BAY STRIKE. Company Will Not Receive Representative of United Mine Workers.

Hallifax, Jan. 18.—President J. H. Gagner and General Manager Butler, of the Dominion Steel & Iron Company, spent yesterday visiting the coal company's mines at Glace Bay. It is understood that Mr. Plummer has stated that he does not consider it necessary to meet any of the representatives of the United Mine Workers of America.

MINE WORKERS MEET AT INDIANAPOLIS. Indianapolis, Ind., Jan. 18.—Fifteen hundred miners representing great coal districts throughout the United States met here to-day in the annual convention of the United Mine Workers of America.

NEW TREASURER. P. MacKenzie Succeeds Hon. W. A. Weir in Quebec Cabinet.

Quebec, Jan. 18.—At a meeting of the cabinet yesterday Peter MacKenzie, M. P. for Richmond, was appointed provincial treasurer in place of Hon. W. A. Weir, appointed to the Superior court bench.

LIBERALS ASSURED OF WORKING MAJORITY

Unionists Succeed in Capturing Only Fourteen Seats in Second Day's Polling—Joseph Martin Returned for St. Pancras East.

London, Jan. 18.—Unless the Conservatives take a decided brace during the remaining days of the parliamentary elections, it is predicted to-day the Liberals and the Laborites will be able to control the next parliament without the aid of the Irish Nationalists.

Estimates based upon the solid Liberal representation, usually returned from Scotland and Wales place the total Conservative gain at but eighty seats. As the Laborites are making slight gains, the Liberals may be able to lose ninety seats without losing control of the parliament.

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perennially during the past decade, and Mr. Burns and his friends were considerably frightened this year. Since the most picturesque figure in Westminster was sent to the House of Commons by the enthusiastic support of the workmen and Socialists of his home district as the battle for the seat, he has gradually outgrown his old radical ideas.

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VESSELS REPORT TERRIFIC GALES

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STORM DELAYS STEAMER. Halifax, Jan. 18.—Three days overdue, the mail steamer Tunisian arrived in port yesterday from Liverpool after a voyage unprecedented for rough weather. The Tunisian was over ten days on the trip.

NEW SUPERINTENDENT. Sherbrooke, Jan. 18.—Joseph Fortin, L.C.R. agent at Levis, has been appointed to succeed the late Andrew Steele as general superintendent.

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PROPRIETORS AT THE VICTORIA HOTEL

al Lots Change Hands— Inquiry For Many Properties

transfer of the equity of the Victoria Hotel, Government street, was yesterday, when the business was carried away by Graham & Co.

McConeil has sold a nice lot on Chestnut for \$3,150. Hart & Co. report having sold this morning two lots at Esquimalt and one on Dixon street.

BIPLANES DAMAGED.

Mishaps to Airships at the Los Angeles Aviation Meet.

Los Angeles, Cal., Jan. 15.—Rain, shortly before noon, decreased attendance at the aviation field this noon, although Paulhan declared himself by rain or shine.

Louis Paulhan loop the loop in Farman biplane? The Frenchman and his manœuvre formally denied that the wizard has such a hazardous contemplation, it is persistently reported that the daring bird-man fully intended to make the attempt.

AWLERS' CREW SAVED.

Jan. 14.—The vessel wrecked on Sheep Island and the Main-Entrance, northeast coast of Treadwell, proves to have been an awl-boat.

LIBERALS ASSURED OF WORKING MAJORITY

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as modest as ever. The "Caer" of Battersea, as some of the working-men call him, has not hesitated to stand against some of the demands of his all-time friends upon the government when he considered them unreasonable. He has spoken plainly towards the workingmen's tendency towards the "red" and the "black" and has gained the respect of all parties in parliament, and is considered one of the ablest of the legislators, "traitor" and "renegade" are some of the middle-class epithets applied to him in his own country.

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J. S. WILLISON ON BRITISH ELECTIONS

J. S. Willison, editor of the Toronto News, telegraphed as follows to his paper under date of December 27th: "Thus far there seems to be a feeling that the Unionist campaign has not been well managed. There was no ringing call to battle in Mr. Balfour's manifesto. It lacked the fervor and audacity which would flame and stir in a similar message from Mr. Chamberlain. The explanation is in difference of temperament. Mr. Balfour is as courageous as Mr. Chamberlain, but far more reticent. Mr. Chamberlain gives his whole soul to the contest. Mr. Balfour is scrupulously careful to avoid loose pledges in opposition to what he would find it difficult to fulfil in office. Mr. Chamberlain would carry out his promises in order to defeat a proposal of capital importance to which he was opposed, or to force forward a measure which he conceived to be vital to the national welfare."

There is reason to think, notwithstanding any contrary impression that may prevail in Canada, that Mr. Balfour believes as strongly as Mr. Chamberlain in protection for Great Britain and preference for the Empire. But, as leader of the Unionist party, he has felt that he was bound to move slowly. He knew that free trade was a religion in Great Britain. He was aware that the people would turn slowly towards the worship of other gods. He believed that a vast educational work had to be accomplished, and that he could not easily ignore any influential element of the party under his leadership. It seemed, indeed, to the Unionist leader that to plunge on at Mr. Chamberlain's pace would be to drive thousands of Unionists into the arms of the Liberal party, to squander the great estate which he had inherited from Lord Salisbury, and to weaken the very instrument by which tariff reform must ultimately be accomplished. Hence his reticence, his reserve, his discretion, his determination to advance step by step, to encourage but not to force the processes of education within his own party.

Balfour and Lincoln. Lincoln was denounced, lampooned and caricatured by the abolitionists, but he refused to issue the proclamation of emancipation until he was convinced that the settled and deliberate opinion of the north, and particularly of the border states, would sanction the act, and that the proclamation would help to save the union. Looking backward most thoughtful writers agree that if Lincoln had prematurely thrown himself into the arms of the abolitionists, the border states would have been driven into the Confederacy, and a substantial body of opinion in the north would have been alienated from the administration. His was the part of practical statesmanship, and by his course he best served the cause of the extremists themselves. It is argued, but what is worth that in some such fashion Mr. Balfour has served the cause of tariff reform, and thereby the interests of the Unionist party. At least it is true that the great mass of Unionists have come over to protection and preference. Gradually also the Liberal Unionists are accepting the new fiscal teaching. Hence, when Mr. Balfour returns to office, he will have a united party at his back, and will be able to give effect to the fiscal pledges of his candidates.

Feeling Amongst Unionists. Apparently, however, there is less confidence and less enthusiasm amongst Conservatives than seems to prevail amongst Liberals. The feeling that the House of Lords must be reformed is strong and general. There is no serious movement for its abolition. It is felt to be an intolerable anomaly that only the established church should have direct representation in the upper chamber. Many Unionists feel that this reform should have been accomplished by their leader during their long term of office. There is some feeling that the Cecil is too powerful in the councils of the party, and that "the old crowd" who were rejected four years ago, and for whom the country has no particular regard, would smother the chief fruits of the Unionist victory. It is felt that there must have representation in all

future governments, while no John Burns appears amongst Conservative candidates. It is admitted that the Liberal cabinet is able and distinguished. It is doubted if the Unionists could form a government of equal distinction. No one denies that Lord Curzon and Lord Milner add greatly to the strength and distinction of the Unionists, but something still is needed to give the party closer and more sympathetic identification with the people and a more intimate relation to social reform. It is true that all the great interests that are powerful in elections are with the Unionists, but manifestly a formidable element within the party does not desire an alliance with the classes which means separation from the masses of the people.

RECOUNT OF BALLOTS ON LOCAL OPTION

Victoria Gave 325 Votes Less Than the Fifty Per Cent.

From Tuesday's Daily. The recount in connection with the local option vote in this province opened this morning at the parliament buildings before A. Campbell Reddie, deputy provincial secretary. The recount is not open to the public, there being in attendance in addition to the returning officers, Messrs. Haney and Stuart Livingstone, of Vancouver, representing the local optionists and the licensed vintners, respectively. Rev. Dr. Spencer, the permanent officer of the Local Option League, and a representative of the Vintners Association.

Out of the twelve hundred spoiled ballots the local optionists are claiming over nine hundred. They are also putting in a claim for votes in localities not reached by ballot boxes, as well as several hundred claimed owing to irregularities. The count will not be concluded today. There were over 46,000 votes cast for candidates, and hence local option law to carry must receive over 23,000, of which they now have 22,000.

Victoria ballots were finished this morning, the figures being as follows: Candidates ballots cast, 5,434; local option votes required, 2,177; local option votes cast, 2,322. It will be seen that the shortage of the 50 per cent demanded is 235, or about 100 less deficiency than at first reported.

Dr. Spencer, representing the local optionists, says he is well satisfied with the results as far as Victoria is concerned. The Vancouver ballots are now in hand.

STANDING COMMITTEES OF THE NEW COUNCIL

Mayor Morley Made Appointments at Monday Night's Meeting.

At the inaugural session of the municipal council of 1910 a large amount of work was transacted most expeditiously and there is every promise that the administration will prove one of the most efficient in the history of the city. Mayor Morley appointed the following standing committees, the first named being chairman: Finance—Aldermen McKewen, Bishop, Banerman, Mable and Langley.

Legislation—Aldermen Langley, Mable, Banerman, Mable and McKewen. Streets—Aldermen Banerman, Raymond, Ross, Sargison and Humber. Parks and Boulevards—Aldermen Humber, Sargison, Ross, Raymond and Banerman.

Electric Light—Aldermen Mable, Raymond, Fullerton, Humber and Sargison. Cemetery—Aldermen Sargison, Fullerton, Raymond, Mable, Humber and Ross. Buildings and Surveys—Aldermen Ross, Humber, Mable, Raymond and Fullerton. Health and Morals—Aldermen Raymond, McKewen, Langley, Banerman and Bishop.

Home for Aged and Infirm—Aldermen Bishop, Banerman, Langley, McKewen and Raymond.

A meeting of the Ladies' Missionary Society of the Metropolitan Methodist church was held Monday afternoon at the residence of Mrs. Penray, Belleville street. There was a fair attendance and considerable business was discussed.

The vote taken for the purpose of determining whether the parents of children attending the public schools of this city were desirous of having the time of the noon recess extended to 1:30 o'clock instead of 1 o'clock, which is at present in force, and likewise lengthening the time of the afternoon session from 3:30 o'clock until 4 o'clock, was badly defeated. The returns given out by Superintendent E. B. Paul were as follows: Girls' Central, for 70, against 277; Boys' Central, for 84, against 310; South Park, for 55, against 205; Victoria West, for 16, against 120; Spring Ridge, for 26, against 74; Hillside, for 26, against 57; Kingston street, for 44, against 110. There are still two schools, the Rock Day and North Ward, to be heard from.

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HIGH CLASS BIRDS ARE ON EXHIBITION

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This year's show is superior to any other yet held by the association. The number of entries is not much larger than last year, still the quality of the birds is much finer than at previous shows. The largest number of entries is in the utility class, that is birds that are raised for laying and market purposes.

The coops have been well arranged in the building, so that all the birds can be seen to perfection. In the gallery of the hall the pigeons and canaries have been placed and from the ground floor they look excellent. The pigeons have just finished moult and are at present in their best plumage. The canary exhibit, which is not large, contains many good birds.

On Thursday the cat exhibit will be opened. The entries in this class are numerous. Mr. Large, who has been engaged to judge these pets, will have a difficult job as the cats entered are all high bred ones and this makes the competition all the more keen.

At the show the Black Orpingtons are in the majority, there being nearly 100 entries, the White Leghorns following closely for second place in respect to numbers. One feature of the show is the remarkable showing of improved quality of the Rhode Island Reds over any other show.

In the display of Light Brahams there is some of the finest birds on the continent of America, they having been imported here by several local breeders. The White Rocks are exceptionally strong while in the Barred Rock class the best quality yet shown here is to be seen. The classes of White Wyandottes and White Leghorns is as usual very strong, and the display contains some of the finest birds in this province.

Entries for Silver Spangled Hamburgs, Houdans and Polish are very large, and are of fine quality. Ducks and geese are also numerous.

Among the largest exhibitors at the show are Mrs. J. G. French, Saanich road; Jones and Newberry, Nanaimo; Blackstock Bros., Victoria; Percival, Pender Island, and J. J. Wilson, Vancouver.

The following is a list of the prize winners up to noon to-day: White Plymouth Rocks. Cock-1, Jones and Newberry, Nanaimo; 2, Mrs. C. Griffiths; 3, E. Henderson.

Cockery-1, Jones and Newberry; 2, Jones and Newberry; 3, H. Hearn. Hen-1, Jones and Newberry; 2, E. Henderson; 3, Jones and Newberry. Pullet-1, 2 and 3, Jones and Newberry.

Buff Plymouth Rocks. Cock-1, Blackstock Bros. Cockery-1, Blackstock Bros.; 2, K. Bradley Dyne. Hen-1, 2 and 3, Blackstock Bros. Pullet-1, 2 and 3, Blackstock Bros.

Barred Plymouth Rocks. Cock-1, Blackstock Bros.; 2, G. Borthwick; 3, J. Hughes. Cockery-1, G. Borthwick; 2, H. Hearn; 3, G. Borthwick. Hen-1, G. Borthwick; 2, H. Hearn; 3, G. Borthwick.

Princeton, Ill., Jan. 18.—A peremptory demand that the St. Paul mine at Cherry, Ill., be opened immediately and an effort made to recover the bodies of the miners that were removed following the disaster in which more than 300 men lost their lives, has been wired to A. J. Farling, controlling owner of the mine, by State President McDonald, of the United Mine Workers.

Following the fire in the mine, a yelled charge was made by United Mine Workers officials that the owners sealed the mine and left the bodies of the victims below to the mercy of the flames. This was done, it was alleged, to prevent further spread of the fire, and consequent heavier loss by the company. McDonald's demand was made as the result of a resolution made at a recent meeting of the widows of the victims, in which the mine workers were petitioned to use their influence to secure the inspection of the shaft.

They believe that 310 bodies are still in the mine. The new machinery ordered for the civic electric lighting plant has arrived, and when installed will provide power for the additional fifty street lights which have been secured. The old Quadra street cemetery may shortly be known as "Pioneer Square." A number of residents of Meares and Vancouver streets have suggested the change of name to D. D. England, parks superintendent, and he has promised to take the matter up with the City Council.

LEGAL CHANGE HINTED AT

CITY SOLICITORSHIP PROBABLY INVOLVED

Suggestion From Mason & Mann Tabled By Council Monday Evening.

An early change in the method of transacting the legal affairs of the city was forecasted at the first session of the new council board held on Monday, when Mayor Morley, in dealing with a letter from the city solicitors, remarked that very shortly the legal department would have to be reorganized.

The matter came up on the receipt of a communication from Messrs. Mason & Mann, city solicitors, pointing out the necessity of appointing a public prosecutor in succession to H. W. R. Moore, who had resigned the position. They suggested that as the work of the city solicitor's office is growing enormously there is work for more than one man. For some time they had had the matter of taking over the work of public prosecutor in mind and had been in communication with D. S. Tait, a very competent barrister, with the idea of having him join their firm. If agreeable to the board, Mr. Tait would come in and take over the duties relinquished by Mr. Moore, and at the same time devote some attention to civic work.

The matter was, on the advice of the Mayor, referred to the legislative committee. His Worship remarking that the legal department would require some reorganization. A resolution forwarded by the secretary of the "Victoria Laborers' Protective Union" will be taken up at the next meeting of the streets committee. The resolution requests the city to pass a by-law regulating the employment of chiefs or heads of gangs, such as the street sweepers, walk, boulevards, parks, sewers, street maintenance, new street work and waterworks department, instead of leaving the choice of men to the discretion of one official, and also for the regulation of the employment of the foremen or bosses under such chiefs; that a more uniform salary be paid these chiefs; that a more uniform wage be paid the foremen under such chiefs; that foremen be selected from the ranks of the men instead of being selected from the outside; that length of service, ability and interest taken in civic work be regarded by prominent men in the city, and wherever possible; that the council request the attendance of these chiefs for consultation on matters relating to their work; that stricter regulations be adopted in such cases as at present come in for criticism, such as sidewalk work, boulevards, new street work and surface drainage.

The Mayor and city solicitors were in attendance at the meeting of the Victoria Railway Company the matter of payment of the sum of \$500 which the company agreed to pay towards the costs of the trial of the case against the city solicitor was referred to the board and forward an account to the B.C. Electric Railway Company. The expenses in connection with the submission of the Jordan river by-law to the people, the company having expressed willingness to pay the same, were also referred to the board. The city assessor recommended accepting the offer of \$200 for two lots on Simcoe street owned by E. J. Smith, also a Simcoe street yard owned by J. Noble. The recommendation was adopted.

Tenders for various supplies were referred to the purchasing agent and the bids of the various departments considered. Tenders for printing the annual reports were received from the Colonist Printing and Publishing Co. Ltd. Company at \$1.50 per page; Victoria Printing Company at \$1.25, and the Acme Press at \$1.25. These were referred to the finance committee for consideration.

The advisability of selecting two assessors to assist Mr. Northcott in making this year's assessment will be considered by the finance committee.

DEMAND RE-OPENING OF CHERRY MINE

Widows Ask That Effort Be Made to Rescue Bodies of Victims of Explosion.

On Wednesday evening, February 22nd, a grand mass skating carnival will be held at the Assembly rink. This affair will commence at 7.45 o'clock, and the masked parties will continue skating until 1 o'clock, when the lights will be extinguished. This is the last one of its kind for the season. It is expected that there will be a large attendance. The last skating event proved one of the biggest successes held at the rink, but by the preparations which are being made for the final one it looks as if this will be by far the best. More money is being expended in prizes than this, and the winners will have something worth taking home. Those who intend to be present had better speak early for their skates, as a big demand is being made for them.

Each person who attends, whether taking part in the carnival or not, will be entitled to a chance in the tombola drawing. Prizes will be given for the following: Best dressed lady, best dressed gentleman, best comical character, lady; most comical character, gentleman; most original lady, most original gentleman, best national dress, lady; best national dress, gentleman; best sustained lady and best sustained gentleman.

An application was made in Chambers on Tuesday by E. Y. Bowdler, K. C., for the appointment of a guardian for F. J. C. Dougal, infant child of the late Mrs. Paula Dougal. John Dougal, the grandfather, was named guardian of the child in the will of Richard West, deceased, letters of administration were granted, the application being made on behalf of the heirs by W. J. Taylor, K. C.

The first meeting of the High School Alumni this year will be held on Tuesday evening next, January 25th, at the Victoria Y. M. C. A. building. Important business is to be discussed and a full attendance is therefore requested. It is expected that there will be many applicants for membership. All who have attended the college are eligible for admittance. The nominal fee of fifty cents a year is charged.

HUGE DEFICIT AT FALL FAIR

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By balance from 1908 7,000 00
Subscriptions: Provincial government grant, on account 1908 2,000 00
City of Victoria grant, on account 1908 2,000 00
Provincial government grants 2,000 00
City of Victoria grant 2,000 00
Clydesdale Horse Association 50 00
British Poultry Association 50 00
Ontario Sherborn Breeders' Association 50 00
Lake of the Woods Milling Co. 25 00
Gleivie Flouring Mills Co. 25 00
Vancouver Milling Co. 15 00
\$15,190 00

Less special subscriptions in aid of 1908 building account as above, and used for 1908 purposes 10,000 00
Balance, being 1908 subscriptions 5,190 00
Privileges: Race track and side shows 6,144 65
Space in buildings 673 00
Prize list and catalogue advertising 1,638 00
Gate receipts 96 55
Members tickets \$54, less amount credited woman's building collection account \$4 900 00
Entry fees 1,022 50
Race entries 125 00
Attendants tickets 138 50
Grand stand receipts 1,148 75
Gates receipts 1,523 50
Catalogue sales 316 25
Profess fees 10 00
Insurance returned 10 00
Women's com. collection in aid of Woman's Bldg. 630 85
Victoria Country Club Ltd.—Amount expended on buildings and improvements in lieu of paying rent at \$20 per day 11,172 45

Grounds Account: Sale of oats 563 35
Straw used at exhibition 230 00
Bents 86 55
Stall rentals 123 10
Net loss on operating account 9,652 79
Over expended on buildings and improvements 11,172 45
Actual cost of upkeep of grounds 20,825 24
Expenditures, 1909: Judging 405 00
Prizes 8,077 90
Postage on prize lists 148 50
Printing prize lists and entry forms 501 00
Sundries 136 49
Spools and Attractions 6,182 00
Race purses 805 00
Wages and salaries, racing officials 1,148 75
Fireworks 573 00
Guides and trotter 300 00
Muscle 886 00
National Trotting Association 27 50
Printing 189 00
Postage 60 70
Travelling expenses 155 00
Express charges 282 00
Custom Work 53 00
Advertising: Printing posters and advertising matter 1,832 00
Newspapers 243 40
Posting on boards 294 65
Street car advertising 411 00
Printing streamers and cards 27 50
Postage 307 45
Travelling expenses 329 40
Window competition 100 00
Telegrams and express 11 25
Office Expenses: Secretary's salary 5,000 00
Assistant secretary's salary 2,000 00
Scribbler, 12 months 450 00
Extra clerks 228 25
Auditor, 1908 30 00
Telegrams 66 67
Telephone 20 10
Office supplies 23 55
Express and hack hire 11 05
Interest and exchange 48 58
Postage 3 55
Post office box rent and keys 4 24
Insurance on goods etc 88 90
Printing and stationery 1,242 50
Halls and buildings 1,767 20
Gates and tickets 2,544 68
Stables 150 00
Electric light 172 22
Fencing 258 73
Maintenance and repairs 14 28
Accounts of 1908 paid (not previously shown) 22 30
Horse show, wages, etc. 34,841 55

Contract woman's building 5,200 00
Rock work, moving office and extras 1,742 68
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UNIONISTS HAVE GAINED SIXTY-EIGHT SEATS

FACTS ABOUT THE RESERVOIR

OFFICIAL REPORT BY WATER COMMISSIONER

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FIRE BURNS UP NEARLY \$30,000

BRIGADE SAVES MANY ADJOINING BUILDINGS

Bowling Alley and Auction Room on Fort Street Destroyed.

(From Thursday's Daily.) THE LOSSES.

Dr. G. L. Milne, on bowling alley building, uninsured \$1,500 Gillespie & Hart, on building (insurance \$2,000) 3,000 J. M. Davies & Sons, on stock (insurance \$2,000) 15,000 Victoria Air, Light and Power Company, uninsured 2,000 Hick, Greenshaw, Fox & Co., on plant (insurance \$3,500) 3,500

Total \$23,500

A fire entailing a loss of \$23,500 broke out this morning on Fort street at 4:15 o'clock and entirely consumed the old Philharmonic hall, used lately as a bowling alley and occupied for that purpose by Hick, Greenshaw, Fox & Matthews, also by the Victoria Air, Light and Power Company. The fire also destroyed the adjoining building owned by Gillespie & Hart and occupied by J. M. Davies & Sons, auctioneers. The bowling alley building was owned by Dr. G. L. Milne. It was entirely uninsured. Gillespie & Hart's building was insured for \$2,000, and J. M. Davies & Sons carried \$3,000 insurance. Hick, Greenshaw, Fox & Matthews carried about \$3,500 insurance.

The fire threatened the buildings on the south side of Fort street, a wooden dwelling on the west of the bowling alley, a number of wooden houses on View street at the rear of the destroyed buildings, and the stock of Richard Davern, wood and coal merchant, on the right of Gillespie & Hart's building. All these buildings, however, by the work of the fire brigade were saved, although the houses facing on View street and the premises at either side of the destroyed building were on fire at the time of the arrival of the brigade.

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ing, and had a storage warehouse at the rear of the premises, which they stored the stock and fittings of the firm. W. Oliphant, a member of the company, said this morning the firm's loss would be \$2,000 and that the stock was entirely uninsured. The fire was seen at 4:15 a.m. by the clerk of the Vernon hotel, who saw flames coming through the roof. He turned in an alarm. Davies & Sons' insurance cannot be ascertained exactly, as their papers and policies were in the office and were burned in the fire. The firm will continue to do business, and will have a permanent location to-day, they expect. The losses sustained by clients of the firm whose goods were destroyed will be paid by Davies & Sons on a fair valuation. This announcement was made by a member of the firm this morning, who estimates the stock loss at \$15,000 and the insurance at \$3,000.

Fire Chief Davis spoke a word of credit for the Victoria police force, whose members were at the fire. He said the police were to be praised for the willing and able manner in which they turned out and helped out the brigade. The fire is supposed to have started outside the building occupied by the bowling alley and the Air, Light & Power Company. The cause of the fire cannot at present be accounted for. Hick Greenshaw, Matthews and Fox had in the alleys themselves a \$5,000 plant and about \$1,000 on equipment. The firm has alleys imported that are stored, and a joint insurance covers these and the property destroyed. T. W. Hick this morning said he thought there would be about \$3,500 insurance on the property lost in this morning's fire.

Dr. G. L. Milne and Mr. Gillespie, of Gillespie & Hart, asked this morning regarding the rebuilding of the premises, said they would probably wait until the widening of Fort street had been decided upon. Mr. Gillespie said his firm are agents for the owner, who is a brother of Mr. Hart, and he thought it likely that a substantial edifice would be erected in place of the frame building destroyed this morning.

WEDDED LAST NIGHT

Miss Williams and Mr. Reid United in Marriage at Home of Bride's Parents.

A pretty home wedding took place last evening at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. Williams, 231 Third street, when their eldest daughter, Miss Mary Louisa, was united in marriage with Mr. William George Reid, eldest son of Mrs. Cross, Mr. Alfred Williams, brother of the bride, supported the groom, and Miss Mable Blake attended the bride. The

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PROVINCIAL GOVERNMENT AND INDIAN RESERVE

Hon. Price Ellison is Hopeful of an Early Settlement.

(From Tuesday's Daily.)

During a reference to the Songhees Reserve problem at last evening's meeting of the city council, Mayor Morley dropped the hint that this hoary-headed grievance was likely to be settled at a very early date, as he had some special information which led him to believe that the provincial government was about to open negotiations with the Indians. The Times-to-day made some inquiries about the matter and ascertained that Hon. Price Ellison, chief commissioner of lands, has taken the question up and expresses himself as determined to settle it. The minister has had considerable experience in dealing with the Indians in other parts of the province and feels that this knowledge will stand him in good stead in negotiating with the members of the Songhees tribe.

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(From Thursday's Daily.)

If any further evidence were needed that the city is growing with great rapidity it is furnished in that portion of the annual report of the water commissioner dealing with the installation of meters. He says: "During the year 1909, 487 new services were installed, which added to the additions for the last three years, makes the demands on the system and the cost of maintenance much higher than formerly. Formerly two meter readers working two weeks in the month were sufficient; now it requires four men working all the time, and an additional clerk in the office has had to be engaged. One inspector was formerly sufficient, now three are required, for work on connections turning on and off of water, one for new buildings, and one for connections under paved streets and cement sidewalks. This is not counting the patrolmen employed for or expressed himself as determined to settle it. The minister has had considerable experience in dealing with the Indians in other parts of the province and feels that this knowledge will stand him in good stead in negotiating with the members of the Songhees tribe.

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DECISION TO WIDEN FORT

PROPERTY OWNERS MET LAST NIGHT

Eight Feet to Be Added to Each Side of the Thoroughfare.

(From Thursday's Daily.)

Urged somewhat by the active steps being taken to improve Yates street, and by the general improvements in all parts of the city, the property owners on Fort street have decided to widen that thoroughfare from Douglas to Cook street. A meeting of the owners was held Tuesday night when this course was decided upon. All the owners but four were present and the decision was unanimous. A petition is now being circulated, asking the council to make the improvement. According to the decision of the meeting eight feet is to be added to each side of the street, making it 78 feet wide. As soon as it is widened it is to be paved with something other than wood blocks, and modern lights will be placed in position. This, it is thought, will make it one of the leading business streets in the city.

There have been a few new buildings put on the street recently, facing right on the street line. These will have to be moved back. It is argued that if ever the street is to be widened it must be done now before any large structures are erected. The owners above Cook street are of opinion that the street should be widened by the city, and they were not in favor of joining with the rest of the street in the present action. It has also been decided to petition for paving under a separate by-law of Fort, from Cook to the junction with Yates street.

NEW COUNCIL REVIVES

SPRING RIDGE PROJECT

Special Committee to Deal With the Sand-Pits' Question.

The question of regrading the sand-pits area at Spring Ridge, which has for years engaged the attention of the various civic administrations, is to be revived by the council which has just assumed office. The special committee which last year had the matter in hand consisted of Ald. Stewart, Fullerton, Humber and McKewen. This year Ald. Bancroft, chairman of the streets committee, will take the place of Ald. Stewart, who is not a member of the council, and the committee thus constituted will take up the matter at once.

There is a citizens' committee representing the property owners at Spring Ridge, of which J. G. Brown is secretary, and there will be a preliminary conference between the two bodies almost immediately. W. J. Taylor, the city barrister, will be asked to attend to decide the question as to whether the city may proceed with the work of regrading. There is a doubt at that point, the city barrister in a former opinion having said that should any property owner object the city will be unable to proceed with the project. As the residents of Spring Ridge are very anxious that this long-standing grievance should be remedied, the council will approach the matter with a firm resolve to accomplish something in this effort.

UNFORTUNATE WOMAN

GOES BACK TO JAIL

Violet Nevill Taken From a Chinatown Opium Joint.

The woman pleaded not guilty to the charge and said she had been ill and unable to work. This is her second conviction in Victoria. She has also been sent to jail from Nanaimo, Seattle, Tacoma and Vancouver. She wept bitterly when being taken from the court.

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SCHEDULE OF FOOTBALL GAMES

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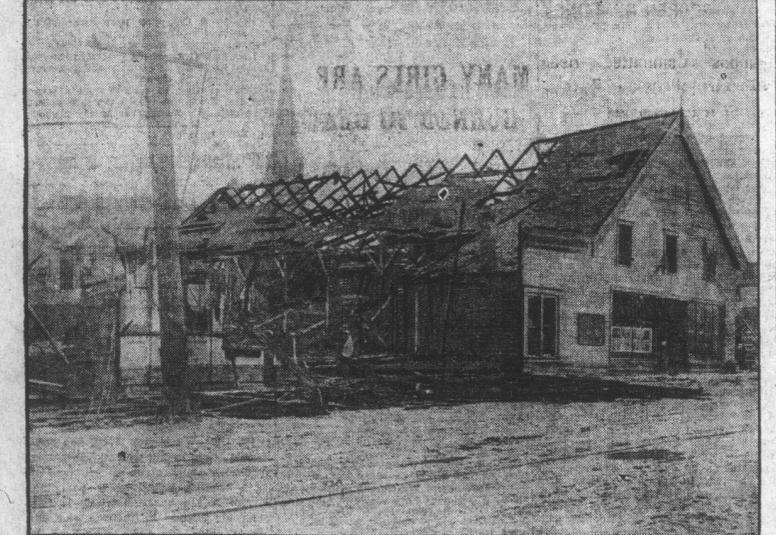
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strated by the fact that the windows of the stores on the south side of Fort street are cracked, the damage having been done by the heat of the flames on the other side of the street. The scene this morning is a wreck of ruined buildings. The bowling alley is entirely destroyed, not an upright being left standing. The adjoining building is beyond repair, but is not entirely burnt out. Beyond a few dollars, however, the large stock of furniture held for private sale and auction purposes by Davies & Sons, is destroyed. The front of the building is badly damaged and the rear portion is consumed entirely. The building will have to be torn down. At the rear the houses facing on View street are scorched and burnt on the surface, the windows are broken, having succumbed to the heat. The house on Fort street on the south of the bowling alley, about three feet from it is burnt on the outside, and sustains some damage.

Rev. T. W. Gladstone performed the ceremony. The bride was the recipient of many handsome presents, amongst them being: An oak and silver butter dish from Mrs. and Miss Mable Blake; Mr. Will and Bert Blake, a china berry set; the Misses Ethel and Edna Blake, a Battenburg centre piece; Miss Castleton, cut glass salt and pepper set; Mr. and Mrs. W. McConnell, a gold and silver cake dish; Mr. Alfred Williams, 1 doz. silver spoons; Mrs. Newbigging, a china sugar and cream set; Mrs. Johnson, a cake plate; Miss Jessie Leigh, hand-made centre piece; Mr. and Mrs. Cross, a glass and silver pickle jar, and many others. The groom's gift to the bride was a handsome fur collar, to the bridesmaid gold and pearl earrings, to the best man gold cuff studs. After the ceremony all sat down to the wedding breakfast. Amid kind wishes from all friends, Mr. and Mrs. Reid left last night on the boat to spend their honeymoon in the South Isles.

house here when mechanics were at work repairing an engine caused the death of W. H. Terry and the injury of George H. Jackson yesterday. The runaway engine had been left at the coal pits by Jack Cross when on duty off duty. The engine was in readiness to start on its usual run to Slooan City, and before being left its wheels were blocked. For some at present unknown reason, the engine reversed and dashed toward the roundhouse. The turn-table was open and the runaway engine crashed through the doors and into the building. On the track over the asphalt, jacked up and close to the door was engine No. 1282, on which a number of mechanics were at work. Into this engine the runaway crashed. Terry at the moment was in the cab working on the fire box. He was caught by the tender of the moving engine and terribly crushed, his left arm being smashed. G. Jackson, who was taking down a wedge casting, dropped into the asphalt and escaped with a broken wrist. The injured men were taken to the Kootenay Lake hospital, where Terry succumbed to his injuries a few minutes after he had entered. He was in the employ of the C. P. R. as boiler-maker's helper. He was 35 years of age and leaves a widow and two small children.

OHIO RIVER NOW

NEARLY FREE OF ICE

Danger is Over and Traffic Will Be Resumed in a Few Days.

(Times Leased Wire.)

Evansville, Ind., Jan. 20.—It is believed to-day that the danger to navigation caused by the ice gorge that has been sweeping down the Ohio river since Monday is passed. Thousands of tons of ice have been forced upon the shores and the river is comparatively free to-day. Although the danger is apparently passed, little river shipping was attempted to-day, in thought, however, that usual traffic will be resumed before the end of the week.

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Liberals Still Confident Their Opponents Will Not Be Able To Wipe Out Big Ministerial Majority.

STANDING OF PARTIES. London, Jan. 19.—The elections yesterday resulted in the return of the following: Liberals, 21; Unionists, 19; Nationalists, 3; Unionists gain, 12; Liberals, 1.

London, Jan. 19.—The Unionists had decidedly the better of yesterday's elections. Of forty-four seats contested, they won 21, of which 12 were represented by ministerialists in the last parliament.

With the exception of North England and the big manufacturing towns, the result of the polls shows a steady trend toward the fiscal policy of the Unionists, but, calculating returns thus far announced, the political oracles maintain that this will not be sufficient to overcome the big Liberal majority obtained in 1906.

There are many side issues, such as the cry of a weakened navy, which influenced voters prominently in various parts, and in counties where landlords wield a great influence more Unionist gains may be expected.

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Fourteen of the London boroughs returned 9 Liberal and 5 Unionist members compared with 11 Liberals and 3 Unionists in the last parliament. The Unionist gains include Mile End (Tower Hamlets), where H. L. V. Lawrence, manager of the Daily Telegraph, was elected; Bow and Bromley, Chelsea, one division of Liverpool, Whitehaven, Boston, Warwick and Leamington, Kidderminster, Coventry, and the division of Brighton. Most of these were Unionist before the great Liberal victory of 1906.

Col. Seeley Defeated. While there were not so many contests yesterday as on Saturday and Sunday, there were prominent politicians with fortunes at stake. Two of these, Col. J. E. B. Seeley, under-secretary for the colonies, and R. K. Causton, paymaster-general, lost their seats for the Abchurch division of Liverpool and Southwark West respectively. The loss of Col. Seeley, who was defeated by Col. R. G. W. Chalmers by 524, was especially severe for the government, as he has been the spokesman in the House of Commons for the colonial office, and was one of the youngest men in line for promotion.

retain their parliamentary majority when the elections now being held are concluded were offered in the stock exchange to-day without takers. With a Liberal or coalition victory practically assured, the Liberal leaders already are mapping out the most radical legislation ever proposed in England. Among the contemplated measures are a resolution taking the power of veto from the House of Lords, the reintroduction of the budget, Irish Home Rule and a bill to put a stop to plural voting abolishing the franchise handicap under which the masses now labor. If successful in this legislative programme it is predicted that the Liberals, Laborites and Irish Nationalists will start a fight to make the House of Lords an elective body. The attempt to abolish the Lords' veto, however, will be made first.

Details of Elections. The detailed results of yesterday's polling, as far as known, follow: Bethnal Green, Southwest. Pickenburgh, Liberal, 3,323; Heffgaard, Unionist, 2,350.

Bethnal Green, Northeast. Cornwall, Liberal, 3,842; Moison, Unionist, 2,435. Edinburgh, West. Clyde, Unionist, 4,982; Lyell, Liberal, 4,232. Middlesborough. Williams, Liberal, 5,670; Dorman, Unionist, 6,756; Walls, Labor, 2,710.

Tower Hamlets (Poplar). Ducross, Unionist, 3,359; Lansbury, Labor, 2,555; Brooks, Liberal, 2,157. London (Chelsea). Hoare, Unionist, 5,110; Horniman, Liberal, 4,058. Edinburgh, South. Dewar, Liberal, 10,235; Cox, Unionist, 7,901.

Bermondsey (Southwark). Glanville, Liberal, 5,477; Dumphreys, Unionist, 4,698. Tower Hamlets (Poplar). Buxton, Liberal, 4,172; Wilson, Unionist, 3,115. South Shields. Hobson, Liberal, 9,990; Williams, Unionist, 4,956.

Northampton (Two Seats). Smith, Liberal, 5,395; McCurdy, Liberal, 5,235; Croker, Unionist, 4,542; Barnes, Unionist, 4,648; Griddle, Labor, 1,792; Quelch, Socialist, 1,697. Edinburgh, East. Gibson, Liberal, 6,400; Ford, Unionist, 4,111.

Brighton (Two Seats). Trice, Unionist, 11,625; Rice, Unionist, 11,567; Ewart, Liberal, 7,506; Nicolls, Liberal, 7,472. Dundee (Two Seats). Churchill, Liberal, 10,747; Wilkie, Labor, 10,365; Lloyd, Unionist, 4,552; Frost, Unionist, 4,339; Scrymgeour, Prohibitionist, —. Liverpool, Exchange. Muesprat, Liberal, 2,392; Scott, Unionist, 2,231.

Liverpool, Scotland. O'Conner, Nationalist, 2,933; Moy, Unionist, 1,776. Abercromby. Chalmers, Unionist, 3,658; Seeley, Liberal, 3,522. Everton. Banner, Unionist, 4,282; Aggs, Liberal, 2,577. Whitehaven. Jackson, Unionist, 1,188; Wandless, Liberal, 852; Sharp, Labor, 826.

St. Helens. Glover, Liberal, 5,512; Swift, Unionist, 5,717. Lower Hamlets (Whitechapel). Samuel, Liberal, 1,965; Greenless, Unionist, 1,402. Liverpool (West Toxteth). Houston, Unionist, 3,926; Sexton, Labor, 2,909. Boston. Dixon, Unionist, 1,975; Lunn, Liberal, 1,715. Barrow in Furness. Duncan, Labor, 5,304; Maynell, Unionist, 4,292.

Dewsbury. Runciman, Liberal, 7,882; Dent, Unionist, 4,747. St. Georges in the East. Benn, Liberal, 1,568; Simonds, Unionist, 1,134. Liverpool (East Toxteth). Hall, Unionist, 4,067; Lea, Liberal, 3,765. Warwick (Leamington). Pollock, Unionist, 3,605; Borrledge, Liberal, 2,671. Liverpool (Kirkdale). McArthur, Unionist, 4,144; Cameron, Labor, 3,221. Southwark. Dunn, Unionist, 3,337; Causton, Liberal, 2,223. Edinburgh (Central). Price, Liberal, 3,960; Scott, Unionist, 1,976. Tower Hamlets (Mile End). Lawson, Unionist, 2,313; Straus, Liberal, 2,275. Tower Hamlets (Stepney). Harris, Unionist, 2,102; Jones, Liberal, 1,866. Liverpool, Walton. Smith, Unionist, 6,627; Joseph, Liberal, 5,512; Jellico, Labor, 4,810. Hanley. Edwards, Liberal, 9,199; Rittner, Unionist, 5,202. Kidderminster. Knight, Unionist, 2,599; Fraser, Liberal, 1,995. Liverpool West, West Derby. Rutherford, Unionist, 5,199; Lias,



AT LAST! EXPERT TO PROBE AT THE CITY HALL

Griffith R. Hughes to Make an Exhaustive Investigation at the Request of His Worship Mayor Morley.

Griffith R. Hughes, actuary, has been commissioned by Mayor Morley to make a complete and exhaustive investigation into the methods of transacting the financial affairs of the city, and Mr. Hughes, or some one acting under his instructions, will enter upon this duty almost immediately. Mr. Hughes is recognized as one of the most competent men in his profession in Canada, and since coming to this province has been consulted by many of the leading commercial concerns relative to improvements in their business methods. He is permanently employed by David Spencer and has a large amount of outside work in Victoria and other parts of the Island.

As things are at present, we have no method of checking the receipt of supplies, nor their disbursement. I consider this phase of his duties most important. "Then, again, in regard to our system of bookkeeping. At present there is no way by which we can ascertain at a moment's notice just what are the liabilities of the city. For instance, the city agrees to enter into a contract, say, for the purchase of so many thousand yards of rock. The decision to do so is recorded on the minutes of the meeting of the council in due course, but there is no other entry by which it can be shown that a liability for a certain amount of money has been incurred. Then in the case of by-laws ordering street improvement work: When these by-laws have finally passed the City Council the city incurs a certain liability, which ought to be recorded as amongst the liabilities of the corporation. This will be done in the future, and thus it will be possible for us to tell at any moment just what we stand. "I anticipate that Mr. Hughes will lend us especially valuable assistance in regard to a reformation in departmental methods. I shall give him carte blanche in this and avail his recommendations with keen interest. Mr. Hughes may be termed more of an expert accountant. He is an expert in business methods—and that is the system that we want to hear from him," concluded his worship.

ANTI-FOOD TRUST LEAGUE. Two Hundred Thousand Applications For Membership Cards Have Been Received. Washington, D. C., Jan. 19.—Applications for 200,000 membership cards to the anti-food trust league, recently organized to fight by boycott high food prices, have been received. It is announced to-day, following the first meeting of the board of directors last night. A letter has been received from President Taft, it is said, in which he endorses the movement.

TURKISH RECORDS BURNED. Constantinople, Jan. 19.—Fire to-day destroyed the Chirapan palace, where the sessions of the Turkish parliament are held. Many valuable records, the loss of which may greatly embarrass the government, were destroyed.

CHANGE IN THE CITY SOLICITORSHIP

Mayor Morley to Present An Important Resolution at the Next Meeting of the City Council.

(From Wednesday's Daily.) Notice of Motion. "Whereas, it is deemed necessary on account of the contemplated reorganization of the work of the legal department, looking to the absorption of the whole time of the city solicitor, located at the city hall. "I hereby give notice that at the next meeting of the City Council I shall recommend to the council the following resolution: "That the services of Messrs. Mason & Mann, city solicitors, be terminated at the end of the present month, and that applications be called for for the position of city solicitor, said city solicitor to devote the whole of his time and services to city service, with quarters at the city hall. "Terms of agreement relating to the duties and remuneration to be entered into between the new city solicitor and the city, and city by-law No. 383, and amending by-laws to be further amended to give effect to this agreement. "The present city solicitors to continue to serve the city without prejudice until the installation of their successors. "The amount of remuneration to be stated in the advertisement to be determined by the finance committee. (Signed) A. J. MORLEY, Mayor."

On this remark, when the board was dealing with a letter from the city solicitors, in which the recommendation was made that the work of police court prosecutor be also given to them. Mayor Morley said to the Times this afternoon, in explanation of the notice of motion, that it was not intended that Messrs. Mason & Mann should be debarred from applying for the position. It was proposed, however, to re-define the duties and responsibilities of the city solicitor, and this could only be done by declaring the office vacant. It was probable, said his worship, that the city solicitor who would get the appointment would be asked to take over the duties also of police court prosecutor. Regarding the by-law which will require to be amended, Mayor Morley pointed out that as things are at present the city solicitors get a portion of the fees which are collected from persons against whom suits are brought by the city, in the event of those suits proving successful. When the new agreement is entered into with the city solicitor who is to be appointed, this system will be done away with and the official paid a straight salary. Messrs. Mason & Mann have acted as city solicitors for the past seven years, succeeding J. M. Bradburn in that position, on the latter's leaving for England. The Mayor posted another notice of motion on the bulletin board this afternoon. This was one calling for the application for the position of city engineer for the city of Victoria, in succession to C. H. Topp, resigned. The applications will be received up to February 7th at the city clerk's office, Victoria, and advertisements will be inserted in all the leading newspapers of the continent. It is understood to be the intention of the mayor and aldermen to appoint a very high salary, obtainable for the job and that the salary will be commensurate with his ability.

The foregoing notice of motion was posted on the bulletin board at the city hall this afternoon, and the resolution will come before the City Council on Monday evening next. To those who have kept in touch with developments in city hall circles during the past few weeks this action on the part of the mayor will occasion no surprise. It will be recalled that when he made his inaugural address, Mayor Morley pointed out that the legal department of the city would require immediate reorganization. His worship was led

MANY GIRLS ARE BURNED TO DEATH

BIG BUILDING IN PHILADELPHIA DESTROYED

Fire Chief Believes Forty Persons Lost Their Lives in Flames.

(Times Leased Wire.) Philadelphia, Jan. 19.—With estimates that from 25 to 40 girls were killed or burned to death, a fire which destroyed the Ellis building to-day, trapping at least 500 young women, was the worst disaster this city has known in years. Eight girls are known to have been killed by jumping from the windows of the second and third floors. "The number of the dead must be more than forty," declared Fire Chief Maxter this afternoon after making a thorough investigation as was possible at the time. The origin of the fire is unknown, but it spread with great rapidity, cutting off those who were on the upper floors of the four-story structure. It later spread to three other buildings. All four buildings were occupied by manufacturers who employed large numbers of girl operatives. The scenes this afternoon about the death trap where many girls are known to have been roasted alive are horrible, and the terrible anguish of frantic friends and relatives is such that the police cannot control it without the most violent measures. Many girls were trapped and lost their lives because they ran to the front of the building instead of to the rear, where the single fire escape was located. It is believed that at least 20 young women lost their lives on the second floor. When the fire was at its height the hundreds of girls were making their way down the fire escapes, out of windows and leaping to death or fatal injuries. The excitement was such as Philadelphia has seldom known. Most of the dead are known to have been employed by S. Schedaker & Sons, manufacturers of shirtwaists. The other firms in the Ellis building, where the main damage was done, were engaged in similar lines of business. Between 30 and 50 young women were picked up from the sidewalks or rescued half conscious from window ledges and taken to hospitals. Every available ambulance in the city was called into service. And for a time the scene resembled that which followed the great Iroquois theatre fire in Chicago. After the building had been gutted by the flames, the walls collapsed, burying many victims beneath great piles of debris, from which it will be extremely difficult to recover their bodies. Scores of picked firemen were set to work immediately in an effort to clear their way into the red hot ruins, so that it may be determined at the earliest possible moment just how many young women were roasted to death.

HEARING OF THE FISHERIES CASES Has Been Postponed Until June 1st at Request of United States.

ARGENTINE DREADNOUGHTS. Naval Commission Recommends Building of Two Battleships of 28,000 Tons. Buenos Aires, Jan. 19.—The Argentine naval commission to-day advised the government to authorize the construction of two dreadnought battleships of 28,000 tons each. The proposed vessels are to have a speed of twenty-two knots an hour, and will carry 12 guns of 12 inches calibre. The vessels probably will be built at Quincy, Mass.

RHODES SCHOLAR. Stanford University, Cal., Jan. 19.—H. L. Stolz, of Redlands, Cal., a member of the class of 1907 at Stanford University, has been awarded a Rhodes scholarship at Oxford university, England, according to an announcement made here to-day. Stolz is an athlete of ability, and was a member of the varsity track team and a candidate for the Rugby team. He will leave for Oxford next October to continue the study of medicine which he began here.

It is understood to be the intention of the mayor and aldermen to appoint a very high salary, obtainable for the job and that the salary will be commensurate with his ability.

It is possible that the fire started from a gasoline explosion, but the commissioner of the fire department makes almost hopeless any endeavor to ascertain definitely the cause of the disaster.

"I cannot stand the sight of the pavements splattered with blood from the poor girls who jumped from the windows. It is too much," said one of the rescuers, as he was half carried away by friends.

The workers say that during the fire the best was so intense that it was some time before the injured could be removed from the sidewalks where they fell to be taken to the hospitals. In was impossible for men to approach, and many stout workmen were overcome by the sight of the injured girls lying on seething pavements.

Deputy Coroner McKeever said this afternoon that an investigation of the day's fire led him to believe that the death list would reach 36 if not two score.

The following dead have been identified: Clara Schwartz, 19; Ida Greenberg, 20; Morris Passin, 20. It will be impossible to ascertain the actual number of dead girls until the firemen are able to examine the ruins, which were so hot this afternoon that any successful work was impossible.

Deputy McKeever said that he had talked with the employers and many of the survivors and that he bases his estimate of the dead upon the number of those missing who are believed to have perished on the second, third and fourth floors of the building. The identified dead were among those who attempted to escape by jumping from the windows. It is probable that the bodies of many who were trapped in the building burned to death and were buried in the debris, will never be recovered.

The coroner's men, however, hope that they may be able to establish the exact number of victims by obtaining a complete list of those within the building and comparing it with a list of those who escaped. This will be difficult work, however, as many of the girls were foreigners and all the records of the concern were destroyed in the fire. The police are endeavoring to gain the necessary information from relatives and friends.

LUMBERMAN ENDS LIFE. Leaps from Bridge Into Slough While Suffering from Temporary Insanity. Aberdeen, Wash., Jan. 19.—Apparently suffering from temporary insanity, C. T. Delosh, a prominent lumberman of this city, drowned himself yesterday afternoon by leaping from a wagon bridge into Elliott's slough. On the bridge was found a hastily written note on a sheet of paper, together with an overcoat and a vest. The note read: "C. T. Delosh has done this on his own free will, and want my friends to know I have been in trouble many years. I have considered that my wife and boys are too good for me." Delosh was about 45 years of age.

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NORTH SAANICH COUNCIL MEETS

COUNCILLOR MCKENZIE IS ACTING REEVE

Officers Elected for Year—Divide Municipality for Police Duties.

The first meeting of the North Saanich Municipal Council was held Monday at the court house, Sidney J. White, J.P., administered the oath of office to the councillors present.

The license commissioners were next named upon motion of Councillor Brethour, seconded by Councillor Hewitt.

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CONSERVATION OF RESOURCES Washington, D. C., Jan. 20.—Conservation of the natural resources particularly of water, is the subject of discussion yesterday by the thirty governors of the various states, who are here attending the conference of governors.

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TO LET-Modern 7 roomed house, 83 Dallas road. Apply 85 Dallas road.

TO RENT-8 roomed modern house, 556 Pandora Ave., next to Grand Hotel, modern conveniences, \$25 a month. Apply R. W. Coleman, 1230 Government street.

FOR RENT-5 roomed modern cottage, 1815 Ambrose street, rent \$18. Apply Dick & Johnston, 625 Johnson street.

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FORT STREET-Full sized lot, near Cook street, two frontages, 60x120, price \$200. N. B. Maysmith & Co., Ltd., Mahon Bldg.

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WE HAVE SEVERAL LOTS on Empress avenue and Vancouver street, in Empress sub-division, from \$50 to \$250. N. B. Maysmith & Co., Ltd., Mahon Bldg.

CENTRAL PARK-Lot on Princess avenue, near City Park, 60x120, price \$50. N. B. Maysmith & Co., Ltd., Mahon Bldg.

RESERVOIR HILL-Eight lots between the reservoir and Cook street, price \$400 each. N. B. Maysmith & Co., Ltd., Mahon Bldg.

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YATES STREET-Lot 6x120, between Vancouver and Quadra streets, price \$900. N. B. Maysmith & Co., Ltd., Mahon Bldg.

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VICTORIA WEST-200 feet from the car and close to another, a good lot, situated on rocky bluff, with beautiful view of the Gorge, etc., also to city; \$25 down and \$10 per month, price \$500. Hartman & Appleton, 53 Yates street.

SNAP-LOT 300 feet square, facing Moss and Cornwall, near new school; also the corner of Cook and 7th streets, with three fine houses. Apply to owner, F. H. Deppes, Diatrial Drive.

LAUNDRY FOR SALE-On Simcoe street, block 22, lot 2, triangle shape, price \$1,000. Apply 1029 Government St. Phone 1154.

FOR SALE-Fine lot, Oak Bay avenue, 60x120, near Junction. Price \$500. Phone R154.

FOR SALE-Houses FIVE ROOM COTTAGE-On Simcoe street, lot 33x165, large basement, tiled fireplace and overmantel, price \$2,500. N. B. Maysmith & Co., Ltd., Mahon Bldg.

EXCHANGE-Equity in new 7 roomed house, centrally located for lots, Trackwell, Anderson & Co., 1210 Broad street.

FOR SALE-Fine six roomed cottage on Oak Bay avenue, on two lots running right through to Chaucer street. Few more such lots and room for tenants or buying land in front. This place is modern in every respect, having sewer, water, gas, and room for tennis or croquet, and veranda half way round house. Price \$2,500, with 1000 ft. front door to H. F. Pullen, just outside city limits, on Tel. R1562.

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FOR SALE-Eight roomed house overlooking Beacon Hill Park; all conveniences; fruit and ornamental trees. Price \$15,000. Phone R1028.

FOR SALE-Machinery CARPENTER SHOPS completely equipped by us with most modern wood-working tools. We are agents for the leading Canadian and American manufacturers. The Canadian Fairbanks Co., Limited, Vancouver.

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BROWN LEGHORNS and White Plymouth Rocks for sale. Apply J. West, 200 Belmont.

COW FOR SALE-Five years old, four weeks since calving, milking 15 quarts a day, price \$50. Phone 425.

FOR SALE-OR-TRADE-Good heavy mare, 1400 pounds; will sell cheap or trade for a lighter horse. Phone 1724.

FOR SALE-General purpose horse, cheap. Apply 578 John street, Rock Bay.

JERSEY CATTLE-High quality, registered bull calves for sale. G. W. Bellhouse, breeder, Galiano Island, B.C.

Help Wanted-Female WANTED-Young girl for light duties, 2:30 to 7:30 p. m. Phone 1470, or 51 Menzies street.

WANTED-A competent dressmaker by the day. Apply 1045 Fort street.

WANTED-Good girl for general house work, small family. Phone 2101.

WANTED-GH for general house work. Mrs. D. H. Hale, corner Fort street and Stadacona Ave.

WANTED-A competent bookkeeper, salary \$25 per month. Apply, stating experience, Box No. 181.

WANTED-Two waitresses. Apply Dominion Hotel.

WANTED-GH for general house work, in small family; wages \$20. Apply Box A22, or phone L172.

WANTED-Ladies to do plain and light sewing at home, whole or spare time; 6000 pay; sent stamp and distance charges paid; send stamp for full particulars. National Manufacturing Co., Montreal.

Help Wanted-Male WANTED-Youth, about 18, for office work; state experience, if any; typewriter. P. O. Box 88.

WANTED-Experienced night clerk for city hotel; must be over 25, single, sober and reliable. Apply P. O. Box 732.

FOR SALE-1-10 interest in Jacob Iron claim, Renfrew District; also 400 shares in Canadian Northwest Oil. Apply Box 284, Times.

YORKSHIRE SOCIETY OF B. C.-The annual social and dance will be held in Broad Street Hall, Victoria, on Thursday night, 27th January. Tickets \$2. Joseph Pearson, secretary.

PERSONAL ADVICE to guide you correctly by Prof. Victoria Best, the phonetic psychic and astrologist, who has amazed and entirely baffled scientists and laymen. She gives independent advice on all business and domestic matters. The first step means the everything-it decides your fate and fortune. Consultations daily at the King Edward Hotel, Suite 2.

DR. LEWIS HALL wishes to notify his patients that since retiring (4th May) he has resumed practice. Office hours from 9 a. m. to 5 p. m.

A GOLDEN OPPORTUNITY-Parties with small capital can more than double same within next thirty days. No risk. For particulars, address W. Whiston & Co., 29 Colborne street, Toronto, Ont.

WANTED-Everybody to know that during the past four years twelve pupils of the public schools were each entitled to a Governor-General's bronze medal, according to the explanation given by the Superintendent of Education at Revelstoke in 1907: yet the medals thus fairly won were given by the Education Department to pupils of other schools.

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ALBERNI FARMERS' INSTITUTE MEETING Officers Elected for Year-Agricultural Association Buys Land.

(Special Correspondence) Alberni, Jan.

BILL TO DEAL WITH COMBINES

INTRODUCED IN THE HOUSE OF COMMONS

Hon. W. L. Mackenzie King Explains Scope of the Measure.

Ottawa, Jan. 19.—In the House of Commons yesterday afternoon Hon. W. L. Mackenzie King introduced an important bill providing for the investigation and control of combines which unduly enhance prices. The bill is modeled somewhat along the lines of the Industrial Disputes Act. It provides that when six or more persons make out a prima facie case before a judge of a high court that a combine in restraint of trade to unduly enhance prices exists, then the judge shall issue an order to the Minister of Labor directing an investigation. The minister must then appoint a board of investigation consisting of three members, of which the chairman shall be a judge, the other two members representing on the one hand the parties which demand the investigation and on the other hand the interest to be investigated. This board sitting as a court shall then investigate the charges and make a report to the minister. This report shall be given the fullest publicity.

If a combine is found to exist and prices unduly enhanced the government-in-council may withdraw any tariff protection given in the articles in the question.

Further, if the combine persists in keeping up prices ten days from the publication of the report a fine of \$1,000 per day shall be imposed until the abuse is remedied.

The bill further provides the revocation of patents in cases where patentees use the privileges of the Patent Act to restrict trade or unduly enhance prices.

SHELTER HOMES FOR YOUNG OFFENDERS

Government Will Ask the Legislature For a Grant for the Purpose.

(From Wednesday's Daily.) The establishment of a detention home for juvenile delinquents, and the bringing into force in this province of the federal act establishing juvenile courts, was urged upon the government by a deputation from the Children's Aid Society and the Local Council of Women which waited upon Hon. Dr. Young yesterday.

Those who spoke in support of the request were Mrs. Margaret Jenkins, Mrs. Gordon Grant, Mrs. C. E. Cooper, Rev. W. L. Clay, Rev. C. E. Cooper and Rev. H. A. Carson.

The provincial secretary assured the deputation that the government was in sympathy with the movement and had already given considerable attention to the matter. For this year, however, it would confine its efforts to an enlargement of the scope of the Children's Protection Act, and would ask the legislature for a grant to assist in establishing refuge and shelter homes.

COURT OF APPEAL TO TAKE UP CITY CASE

Right of Street Railway to Carry Freight Will Be Argued.

(From Wednesday's Daily.) The Court of Appeal is hearing the plaintiff's appeal from a judgment of Chief Justice Hunt in the case of Bing Kee, a Nanaimo man, who is involved in whether certain buildings with the land or whether the defendant had the right to remove them to another site when plaintiff purchased the one on which they stood.

W. J. Taylor, K.C., argued the case for respondent and F. McD. Russell for appellant.

At the conclusion of the case this afternoon the court will take up the case of Victoria v. B. C. Electric Railway Company, a case arising out of the building by the company of a switch from Gladstone avenue into the gravel pits at Spring Ridge. The real point at issue in this case is the company's right to carry freight on the streets.

Following this the preliminary list is: Baker v. Atkins, Cunningham v. Stockham, Yaslatov v. Kent, and Wilson v. Twiss.

In Winter v. B. C. Electric Railway Company the court has reserved judgment.

TRACKS BURIED UNDER SNOW

Big Slide in Montana Ties Up Traffic on Chicago, Milwaukee & Puget Sound Railway.

Butte, Mont., Jan. 18.—A tremendous snowslide, five miles in width, covering the tracks of the Chicago, Milwaukee & Puget Sound railway, to-day has completely tied up traffic over the line in Western Montana.

A huge volume of snow rushing from a mountain above the tracks has buried them under twenty feet of snow for a distance of five miles. The descending mass snapped huge trees like twigs and rolled broken logs, a collision last night between two cable cars on the steep Castro street hill.

Paul Fitzold, Robert H. Schwab and Frank S. Wilkinson each had one leg broken, John F. Scully had both legs badly crushed that amputation is necessary, and several other men were fractured of one shoulder and three ribs.

SUNLIGHT SOAP



AN EXPERIENCED HOUSEWIFE knows that Sunlight Soap means a wonderful saving of time and labour in house-cleaning.

Whether with hot or cold water, nothing gets the dirt off so quickly and without injury as Sunlight Soap. Use it the Sunlight way. Follow the directions.

PRAIRIE FOLK ALL KEEN FOR REAL ESTATE

County Court Judge Hearing Case in Which Commission is Claimed.

(From Wednesday's Daily.) That all the prairie people have the real estate idea in their heads was the conclusion arrived at by Judge Lampman this morning while listening to a case in which the parties were former residents on the prairie.

James E. Elliott is being sued by Alexander McIlvride for \$235, as commission on the sale of a property on the George road. The defence is that the plaintiff rendered no services to earn a commission. H. H. Shandley for plaintiff and C. W. Bradshaw for defendant.

McIlvride's story was that Elliott promised him a good commission if he succeeded in selling the latter's house, but no sum was mentioned. A sale was put through to a man named Taylor, whom he sent to Elliott, and when it was completed he asked for his commission. Elliott offered him \$25, but he thought \$100 was not too much. It was only when he had to sue that he made the figure \$235.

Cross-examined by Mr. Bradshaw, plaintiff, who has been a farmer, said that for a time in 1908 he ran the George grocery. He canvassed the district for customers, and tried to get other grocers' customers, including Elliott, for said he:

"I was not starting a store there to sit down and do nothing, I made up my mind that I was going to hustle and get there."

He was not in business at that time as a real estate agent, he admitted, but he had a few deals on. In further cross-examination he said he had brought a couple of prairie men to see Elliott's house, but he did not take Taylor and did not remember even introducing him to Elliott.

The case is still in progress.

PAULHAN BREAKS ANOTHER RECORD

Curtiss May Try to Lower the Time Set by the French Aviator.

Los Angeles, Cal., Jan. 19.—Following Paulhan's wonderful record-breaking cross-country flight Glenn Curtiss to-day refused to admit that the Frenchman has set a record that cannot be broken and intimated that he would make a try to establish a new mark for cross-country flying either this afternoon or to-morrow.

When asked his opinion of Paulhan's 45-mile aerial journey in 1 hour 2 minutes and 42.4 seconds yesterday, Curtiss shrugged his shoulders and said: "The meet is not over yet. Let us see, there are really four big records to break, one for sustained flights, one for altitude, another for speed and one for distance. It seems to me that a distance flight far beyond the forty miles which Cody flew could be accomplished here."

Curtiss is now determined to give a few demonstrations of rapid flying, and his friends hint that he purposely has been hanging back until the last days of the meet with the view of making a "grand stand finish."

This afternoon it was unofficially announced that the American would attempt to establish a new three-lap speed record, carrying one passenger.

What Paulhan has in mind to thrill the spectators with this afternoon is a subject for speculation. When seen to trip to the Aerodrome track in his Ferman biplane as "a mere jolly excursion."

TWO CRUSHED TO DEATH

Newburgh, N. Y., Jan. 19.—Two Austrian laborers were killed yesterday in a shaft on the line of the New York and Ontario at Van Ness Gate. A bucket weighing 1,500 pounds fell on them, crushing them to death. The engineer, Walter Vanbergen, disappeared after the accident, and the coroner is searching for him.

CABLE CARS COLLIDE

Score of Passengers Injured in Accident at San Francisco.

San Francisco, Cal., Jan. 19.—A score of persons were injured, four sustaining broken legs, a collision last night between two cable cars on the steep Castro street hill.

Paul Fitzold, Robert H. Schwab and Frank S. Wilkinson each had one leg broken, John F. Scully had both legs badly crushed that amputation is necessary, and several other men were fractured of one shoulder and three ribs.

EXPENDITURE ON WATER WORKS

WHAT SMITH'S HILL RESERVOIR HAS COST

Some Interesting Information Now Available for the First Time.

James L. Raymur, water commissioner, has prepared the annual report showing the work of his department for the past year. It is a voluminous and very interesting document, and will in due course be published in the annual reports of the city.

The water department of the city now possesses assets of \$1,647,199.70, with liabilities of \$987,453.87, leaving a balance of assets over liabilities of \$659,745.73.

During the year the length of mains laid was as follows: Twelve inch, 18,084 feet; nine, ten and eleven inch, 22,437 feet; eight inch, 6,490 feet; six inch, 22,437 feet; five inch, 6,490 feet; four inch, 28,755 feet; three inch, 229 feet; two inch, 9,381 feet. Total, 91,751 feet.

Probably the most interesting part of the report to the lay mind is that giving the receipts and expenditure under the Waterworks Loan By-law of 1908, under which the Smith's Hill Reservoir and all auxiliary work was done. This statement is as follows:

Receipts	
Debitures issued under authority Waterworks Loan By-law	\$261,000.00
Work done and material sold	4,434.55
Unclaimed wages	237.45
Interest on deposits	6,055.29
Total	\$272,727.29
Expenditure	
Discount on debentures	\$3,215.00
Redistribution	24,453.20
Site Smith's Hill reservoir	16,500.00
Site high level tank	9,071.04
High level tank	17,237.84
Diverting 16 in. main	51,262.25
Yates street pumping station	22,437.22
Work at Elk and Beaver lakes	15,232.74
Meters	43,844.91
27-inch main	16,230.50
24-inch main	16,230.50
18-inch main	8,322.54
Interest on advances prior to sale of debentures	1,370.71
Expenses in connection with insurance and sale debentures	966.65
Engineering, plans, surveys, etc.	17,147.70
Sundries	1,216.96
Total	\$628,458.15
Balance	252.24

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Comparative Statement	
Estimate	Expenditure
Reservoir site	\$75,000.00
Smith's Hill reservoir	97,023.77
Site high level tank	9,071.04
High level tank	17,237.84
Yates st. pumping stn.	5,000.00
Diverting 16 in. main	22,437.22
Redistribution	23,770.00
Meters	56,000.00
Work at Elk and Beaver lakes	15,232.74
27-inch main	21,000.00
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While the property owners are making View street a better thoroughfare is practically assured, two other steps in the same direction are now projected. It is most probable that steps will follow looking to the prolongation of View through to Government and linking it up to Bastion street, as was provided in the original plan. This would involve driving the street through the present Spencer and Old Times building on Broad, and the Hibben block on Government street. As it would bring View street, however, into an immediate tributary to the main business section and would throw the store keepers, whose property would be affected on to corners, it is not expected to arouse much opposition.

The lighting and paving of Blenheim between Fort and Yates streets. If this is done it will mean that four of the principal city blocks will be surrounded and intersected by these improved streets, Fort, Yates and View.

The immense improvement these with the widening of Fort street would effect, can scarcely be imagined.

WOMEN WHO SUFFER

Dr. Williams' Pink Pills Give Regularity and Good Health.

Every woman at some time needs a tonic. At special times unusual fatigue, made up of strength. Where these are added to the worry and hard work which falls to her lot, weakness will result unless the blood is fortified to meet the strain.

These Pills save the girls who enter into womanhood in a bloodless condition from years of misery, and afford prompt and permanent relief to the woman who is bloodless, and therefore weak. Mrs. B. Fisher, Coates Mills, N. B., says: "Sometime ago my system was in a very anaemic condition as the result of an internal hemorrhage caused by an accident. Though I had the services of a skilled doctor for a time, I did not recover my strength, and gradually I grew so weak that I could not do any house-work. As I seemed to grow steadily weaker I became discouraged, for previous to my accident I had always been a healthy woman. About this time I received a pamphlet telling me of the strengthening powers of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. I procured a box at once and began using them, when they were gone I got three boxes more, and by the time I had used these I found myself somewhat stronger and my appetite much better. Before I began the Pills I could scarcely walk up stairs, and could do no work at all. Now I feel as though I were three boxes of Pills, and I walk out in the open air. I kept on with the Pills, and after using six boxes was delighted to find that I could again attend to my household affairs. It took two more boxes of Pills, and I felt that I was as well as ever I had been, and equal to any kind of exertion. I have since recommended Dr. Williams' Pink Pills to friends who have benefited by their use. I have altered this to read \$80. The duty on automobiles is 45 per cent ad valorem. McGrath was held in \$100 bail.

Hotel Destroyed. Bradwardine, Man., Jan. 19.—The Windsor hotel, owned by J. France, was burned to the ground this morning about 6 o'clock. The members of the family and several travellers escaped with great difficulty. The house being filled with smoke, they saved merely the clothing they were in.

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IMPROVEMENTS IN THE CITY

BUSINESS SECTION IS BEING AWAKENED

Extension of Paving and a Modern Lighting System.

Still another street will be added to the well-lighted and paved thoroughfares of the city in the near future. The latest addition is View street between Broad and Blenheim, all the property owners in the section mentioned having, with one or two exceptions, signed the petition to the council asking for this improvement.

The district to be improved will extend over two blocks and will be paved with some enduring material and lighted by the ornamental lamps such as are now employed on Second and Third streets in Seattle, and which are ordered for Yates street.

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CUSTOMS TROUBLE

New York Officials Alleged to Have Undervalued Imports.

New York, Jan. 19.—More trouble in the customs service in New York has come to light. Everybody around the federal building to-day is reticent, but disclosures have a system which will rank with the sugar cases.

Undervaluing automobiles is the new game. Joseph P. McGrath, a young customs clerk, is specifically charged with having defrauded the government out of \$80 by deducting \$100 from the value of a car that arrived in New York on November 26th. The machine, according to the appraisers' certificate, was valued at \$180, but McGrath, it is alleged, altered this to read \$80. The duty on automobiles is 45 per cent ad valorem. McGrath was held in \$100 bail.

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SUCCESSFUL YEAR IN CHURCH WORK

Saint Andrew's Presbyterian Transact Business—Appreciate Services of Pastor

The reports of the various departments of St. Andrew's Presbyterian church, received at the annual meeting last night, showed that the past year was a record one in every way. The report has been neatly printed in bound form, and was distributed through the congregation on Sunday so that there was no necessity for reading them, and discussion was at once proceeded with upon the formal reception of the reports. The session reported that 66 members had been received during the year, making a present total membership of 454. The report called for the election of three new elders, as the work was becoming too great for the present members.

The board of management presented a very favorable financial report, with a total expenditure of \$7,838, nearly all of which has been given by the congregation.

The Ladies' Aid Society had been engaged in many activities. Besides attending to the needs of the church, they had taken an active interest in the Y. W. C. A., the Local Council of Women, the C. T. U. mission and the Friendly Help.

The Women's Missionary Society also reported a successful year's work, and the Sunday school report was especially encouraging. An orchestra of eight pieces had been organized, a new piano purchased, and the school had undertaken the support of a native teacher in India, and a pupil in the school at Pointe-aux-Trembles.

The Men's Bible Class recently organized, reported an enrollment of 37 and an increasing attendance each Sunday.

The Young People's Society had a very successful year, and a special note in the report spoke of the loss sustained in the removal of Jos. Clearhough from the city. The most encouraging report of all was received from the missionary committee. Weekly offerings envelops had been adopted, and this had led to a very substantial increase in the missionary fund of the church. \$2,213 had been given to objects outside the regular work of the church. The members of the Men's Bible Class had undertaken the support of two home missionaries in British Columbia, while the members of the church were to support a third. The missionary interest was greatly increasing and the report was very gratifying.

There was a large attendance of members of the congregation at the meeting last evening, and the utmost cordiality prevailed. The meeting accorded to the request of the session for three additional elders, and nominated James Gordon, C. C. Michener, G. H. Robertson, W. A. Gleason and A. Polson. A ballot will be placed before the congregation at an early date in order that the three new elders may be elected. Nine new members were appointed on the board of management, three chosen being D. Hills, C. C. Michener, A. E. Moffat, W. Kerr, James Blair, G. Simpson, D. D. Muir, A. Polson, J. P. Archibald.

Upon the adjournment of the Ladies' Aid Society the members and adherents of the congregation are invited to a social tea to be given next Wednesday evening.

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CHINAMAN DESERTED

BY JAPANESE WIFE

Woman Elopes With Man of Her Race, Taking Husband's Gold.

Portland, Ore., Jan. 19.—After waiting 10 years for her Chinese husband to accumulate a fortune, Hanna Kim, the Japanese wife of Lee Foo, a prominent merchant here, ran away from him, taking \$10,000 and a younger man of her own race. The younger man has been a barber, and had been a welcome visitor in the home of Lee Foo.

In all the visits of the young Japanese admirer of the wife, the two talked in the Japanese language and made plans for their adventure under the name of the Men's Bible Class, recently organized, reported an enrollment of 37 and an increasing attendance each Sunday.

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STEAMER MAY BE CAUGHT IN ICE

Big Gorge in Sweeping Town of Evansville—Floods Are Feared.

Evansville, Ind., Jan. 19.—The passenger steamer Laurie, plying between Evansville and Paducah, Ky., is headed up stream under full steam with 25 passengers, and is believed to be in danger of collision with the ice gorge now moving down the Ohio river.

All efforts to signal the steamer and inform the captain of the danger have failed thus far. The vessel is believed to be near Alverton, Ind. The gorge has now cut off all places of safety which the steamer could enter, and it is feared here that she cannot escape meeting the big foe.

The ice gorge is grinding its way toward Evansville. It is feared that the bend just below the city, damming the creek and causing a flood, will result in heavy property damage.

The gorge broke several miles above Evansville last Monday with a roar that was heard plainly here. Six miles of ice, tearing its way through banks and sweeping with it trees and small buildings, immediately began a slow but irresistible advance toward the Ohio river. Wolf creek is rising rapidly and already damage aggregating more than \$500,000 has been done along its banks. Many coal barges have been crushed in the floes.

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Only Landslide No Unionists

London, Jan. 24.—Early day from the constituencies looking in taking place into startling gains of the Unionists last week have been a