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Vancouver May 28<sup>th</sup> 1888

The Council met on Monday May 28<sup>th</sup> 1888 at 7.30 p. m.

Present this evening, Mayor Oppenheimer, Aldermen Alexander, King, house, Colard, South, Humphries, Lefevre and Oppenheimer  
The minutes of last meeting were read and adopted.

### Communications

From John Robson, Provincial Secretary, informing Council that it was not the intention of the Government to take any action in regard to having the Province represented at the Industrial Exhibition at Toronto.

Filed.

From John Robson, informing Council that it was the intention of the Government to keep faith with all concerned in the matter of contributing towards the establishment of a cable communication between Vancouver and Lulu and Sea Islands.

Filed.

From H. Abbott informing Council that he was starting out to explore the road from Galsse breed to the North Arm preparatory to building same.

Filed.

From A. H. D. MacGowan, Secretary  
to the Board of Trade, submitting a  
resolution re the selection of Deane's  
Island as a site for a Powder  
Magazine. Filed.

From Major and Pearson, Insurance  
Agents, declining to take risk on  
Hospital at 5%. Filed.

From John D. Donald, re the Engine  
 lately purchased from him. Filed.

From W. Abbott asking City to guar-  
antee the erection of a School house  
on Lots 15, 17 & 18, Block 6, 185, before  
the end of the present year. Filed.

From E. H. Fletcher, P. O. Inspector  
giving location of letter boxes and ask-  
ing permission to place them accord-  
ingly.

From E. J. Dodwell et al. asking that  
Dowell Street be opened up through Lots  
182 & 183.

Referred to the Board of Works.

From Messrs Stephenson & McBrainey,  
submitting a tender for the graveling  
of Dowell Street between Carroll  
Street and Westminster Avenue, at  
\$1.90 per yd for six Dew loads.

From E. J. Clark, Toronto offering to

been sufficient ground for an Athletic  
Park, and donate \$1000 for the purpose  
of starting a fund to put it in first class  
order if the taxes were paid on same  
for 5 years and the grounds put in first  
class order.

referred to the Board of Works.

From Alderman H. Bell. Being pending  
in his resignation as member  
of the City Council.

Tenders for gravelling Park Road.

The following tenders were opened,  
and read:-

Stephenson & McBraney.

Sections 1, 2, & 3, @ 70 cts per c. yd.

D. H. Smith,

Section 1, 12 ft wide & 6 in deep @ 28 cts ft.

" 2 " " " " " " " " " " " "

" 3 " " " " " " " " " " " "

James Hartney.

Section 2, @ 89 cts per yd.

" 3 @ 79 " " " "

Moved by Alderman Lefevre seconded  
by Alderman Broughouse.

That Messrs Stephenson  
and McBraney be awarded the  
contract of gravelling such portions  
of Sections 1, 2, 3, Park Road, as  
may be required, carried.

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Health.

The Board of Health met on Monday May 21<sup>st</sup> 1888 and beg to recommend the payment of the following accounts:

✓ J. L. Martin, Supplier.	\$278 <sup>25</sup>
✓ James Campbell & Co.	30 <sup>00</sup>
✓ John Scully.	4 <sup>00</sup>
✓ C. P. Telegraph Co.	15 <sup>00</sup>
✓ Burrard & Co. Lumber Co.	20 <sup>00</sup>
✓ Vancouver Boating Club.	67 <sup>34</sup>
✓ D. McCallum.	19 <sup>00</sup>
✓ H. D. ...	18 <sup>30</sup>
✓ Selman & Robin.	34 <sup>25</sup>
✓ Joseph Brown.	4 <sup>00</sup>
✓ Rufous & Co.	98 <sup>00</sup>
✓ Wm. Sweeney.	3 <sup>00</sup>
✓ A. Goldstein.	3 <sup>25</sup>
✓ Robert Robertson.	64 <sup>00</sup>
✓ Hastings Saw Mill Co.	11 <sup>00</sup>
✓ H. A. Berry & Co.	5 <sup>00</sup>
✓ Russell, McDonald & Co.	10 <sup>50</sup>
✓ J. W. Heath.	49 <sup>00</sup>
✓ Vancouver Wine Co.	6 <sup>50</sup>
✓ H. McDowell & Co.	58 <sup>33</sup>
✓ Van Tolkenburgh & Bro.	2 <sup>00</sup>
✓ Hayes & McDulock.	31 <sup>76</sup>
✓ Charles Jordan.	5 <sup>00</sup>
✓ Mrs. Perry.	13 <sup>00</sup>
✓ Frank Baker.	8 <sup>00</sup>
✓ McMan & McKeely.	46 <sup>80</sup>
✓ W. B. Marshall.	1 <sup>00</sup>
✓ J. C. Birds.	6 <sup>00</sup>
✓ Campbell & Martin.	66 <sup>00</sup>
✓ John Johnson.	1 <sup>00</sup>

✓	R. A. McMoran.	\$ 3 <sup>00</sup>
✓	G. I. Wilson	6 <sup>00</sup>
✓	H. J. MacLellan	15 <sup>00</sup>
✓	Thos. Turner	4 <sup>00</sup>
✓	J. J. Adams	90 <sup>00</sup>
✓	Thomas Thomson	90 <sup>00</sup>
✓	J. G. Stone	57 <sup>00</sup>
✓	Chas. Wellington	57 <sup>00</sup>
✓	Archie MacDonald	41 <sup>00</sup>
✓	M. S. MacArthur	32 <sup>25</sup>
✓	Andrew Whitehead	10 <sup>00</sup>
✓	Thos. Kelso	35 <sup>00</sup>
✓	Andrew Linton	99 <sup>00</sup>
✓	Abrams & MacLean	135 <sup>10</sup>

We recommend that 20 Lawson Port Beds be purchased for the new City Hall just at \$11<sup>50</sup> a bed delivered

Egd. J. M. Lefevre,  
Chairman.

Moved by Alderman Clark seconded by Alderman Humphries

that the Health Report be adopted,

carried

Wards.

no.

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The Board of Wards met on Friday May 15<sup>th</sup> 1888 and by report that the following tenders have been received  
Barbard Street Sidewalk.

M. S. Pearson,	per lineal foot	19 <sup>1/4</sup> cts
J. W. McKay,	"	22 "

Georgia Street Land  
 #575<sup>00</sup>  
 Madson & Cameron 450<sup>00</sup>  
 Halloway & Joyce 575<sup>00</sup>  
 Boyd & Landman

We recommend that  
 the following tenders be accepted:

For Land Halloway & Joyce,  
 Bernard Street Sidewalk W. P. Beardon.

We beg to recommend:

- (1) That the time be improved by days' Labour instead of by contract.
- (2) That a horse, cart and harness be purchased and that the cart be fitted with a tank capable of holding 165 gal. for the purpose of flushing the sewers and for general work and that a team be engaged to look after same.
- (3) That Mr Tierney, Contractor be engaged to put a coating of loam three inches thick over the gravel on Seymour Street to bind it.
- (4) That W. J. Cambie be permitted to dig a drain from his residence on Georgia Street across Murlow and Georgia Streets to the natural level.
5. That tenders be called for the carrying out of the work on Carrall Street as petitioned for by Messrs Meliss and McKinnon.
6. That the following accounts be paid

James Stanford, Hospital #475<sup>00</sup>  
 E. book " 550<sup>00</sup>  
 E. S. Scoullar & Co " 400<sup>00</sup>  
 Murray & Squier Street numbers 142<sup>52</sup>  
 R. H. Comacher, Granville St. 512<sup>64</sup>  
 Stephenson & Halloway, Dupont St. 2182<sup>40</sup>

J. J. Lerner, Georgia Street \$173<sup>00</sup>  
7. That the Health Inspector be notified  
to at once abate the nuisances through  
out the city and especially on Gordon  
Street and Water Street.

8. That the following box drains be  
laid

- (a) On the low land on the corner of  
Gordon and Canine Streets.
- (b) On the South Side of Alexander Street.
- (c) On Dunlavy Avenue.
- (9) That separate benches be called  
for the graveling of Sections one, two  
and three of the Park Road.

sgd. S. Brighouse  
Chairman.

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Works

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The Board of Works met on Saturday  
May 26<sup>th</sup> 1888 and begt to report that the  
following accounts have been recom-  
mended for payment:-

- James Hartney, Park Road, \$2205<sup>00</sup>
  - H. Comacher, Grenville Street, 138<sup>36</sup>
  - Boyd &alandring, Park Road, 1503<sup>00</sup>
  - John Harding, Dunsmuir Street, 217<sup>82</sup>
  - James Hudson, South Avenue, 299<sup>38</sup>
- Tenders.

The following tenders were received  
for the erection of the Glee Hall:-

- H. A. Bell, \$1128<sup>00</sup>
- Russell & Grant 1325<sup>00</sup>
- J. S. Mackenzie 1320<sup>00</sup>
- Oldfield & McElnathan 1320<sup>00</sup>

The following tenders were  
received for the construction of

1358  
Bridge across Coal Harbour:

Keefe and McMillan  
Piles in position \$5.00 each  
Blank " " per 20 ft \$19.00  
Lime rods per lb. 7 cts

Angus Macmillan  
Piles in position \$6.00  
Blank " " \$16.70 per 20 ft  
Lime rods per lb 10 cts

Armstrong & McCott.  
Piles in position \$3.20  
Blank " " \$17.00 per 20 ft  
Lime rods per lb. 8 cts

A.A. Baynes  
Piles in position \$4.95 each  
Blank " " \$21.00 per 20 ft  
Bolts etc 5% above cost.

We recommend that the contract for the erection of the Fire Ball be awarded to H.A. Bell, and the construction of the bridge across Coal Harbour to Armstrong and McCott.

We further recommend:-

- (1) That tenders be called for the grading and sidewalking of parts of Abbathurton and Under Streets, the grading of 150 feet of Beatty Street, the laying of a 4 foot sidewalk on Melville Street and the construction of a residence at the cemetery for the caretaker.
- (2) That the City Engineer examine and report upon the opening up of Nelson Street from Burrard Street to Homer Street; Homer Street from Nelson Street to Smith Street; Smith Street from Homer Street to Cambria Street.

Burrard Street Thurlow Street, from  
Street and Nicola Street from end to  
end; Davis and Nelson Streets from  
Burrard Street to Nicola Street.

(3) That the crossings on the corner of  
Water and Abbott Streets be lowered  
as petitioned for by the firemen

(4) That as James Hartney was the  
original successful tenderer on  
Section 6 of the Park Road and as his  
deposit is still in the hands of the  
Treasurer and as he offers to allow  
\$200<sup>00</sup> for work done since his tender  
was put in, we recommend that the  
contract be awarded to him according  
to original tender less \$200<sup>00</sup> allowed  
for improvements; also that Rand  
& B. be requested to pay to the City  
\$200<sup>00</sup> as agreed by them in lieu of sharing  
their portion of Beach Avenue.

sgd S. Brighthouse  
Chairman

Moved by Alderman Brighthouse seconded  
by Alderman Coulb.

That the Report of the Board of Works  
be adopted. Carried.

### Finance

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Friday May 18<sup>th</sup> 1888 and beg to re-  
commend the payment of the follow-  
ing accounts.

- R. Mathison. Printing \$400
- A. J. Marks Printing 1800

	#15.0
E. h. Albee, Stationery	2 <sup>65</sup>
Telegraph Co.	2 <sup>33</sup>
A. C. Meeke	37 <sup>70</sup>
S. J. Liley, Stationery	4 <sup>00</sup>
Telephone Co.	25 <sup>00</sup>
H. McDowell & Co.	12 <sup>00</sup>
Palmer Bros. Book.	66 <sup>50</sup>
Daily Herald, Tax Book.	42 <sup>00</sup>
H. C. Broadbent, Rent.	1 <sup>75</sup>
G. S. Baldwin, Drafts.	92 <sup>35</sup>
News. Advertis.	
Carswell & Co. Dominion Statutes	17 <sup>40</sup>

We have taken into consideration the communication from the Secretary of the School Board of Trustees, asking Council to grant a subsidy to Miss Murchie for her services connected with the public school.

Although admitting that Miss Murchie is not sufficiently paid for the work she performs we cannot see our way clear to recommend any grant being made out of City funds, as the Government raises taxes for the support of the schools and the responsibility lies altogether with them.

The consideration of an increase of salary for the City Engineer has been laid over for one week.

Agd Archd H. Alexander  
Chairman.

Moved by Alderman Dighouse seconded by Alderman South.

That the Report of the Finance Committee be adopted.

Carried.

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J. W. L.

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The Fire, Water and Light Committee met on Thursday May 17<sup>th</sup> 1888 and beg to recommend:-

(1) That the following accounts be paid

Charles Nelson, Polishing Material	\$ 4.00
✓ Fraser & Leonard, Dist. on <sup>Wm. Nelson</sup> <del>Account</del>	61.25
✓ W. W. Ayer, Repairs to Engine etc	30.00
✓ Leach & Johnson, Coal.	22.00

(2) That the Chairman of this Board be empowered to purchase eight tons of hard coal at \$9.00 per ton and a quantity of soft coal at the most favourable rates.

3. That the Fire Inspector be required to examine the fire tanks daily, to see that the water supply in them is ample and report to the Chairman of this Board when there is any deficiency.

4. That as the Telephone Company has offered to inaugurate a night telephone service suitable for fire alarm purposes for \$25.00 per month we recommend that their offer be accepted and that one Gong be placed in the Fire Hall in the most convenient place. This arrangement to be continued from month to month or as long as Council may deem it advisable.

(Sgd) Humphries  
Chairman.

Moved by Alderman Lefevre seconded  
by Alderman South,  
That the S. W. H. report be adopted  
carried.

Mr. E. C. Boyer, appeared before the bar  
of the Council and asked them to Sub-  
scribe \$300<sup>00</sup> towards an illustrated  
guide book.  
referred to Finance Committee.

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Motions  
Moved by Alderman Alexander seconded  
by Alderman Oppenheimer,  
That a return be made to  
Council at next meeting, showing  
all street work now under contract or  
tender, distinguishing in which ward  
such work may be.

carried.

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Moved by Alderman Blair seconded  
by Alderman Lefevre,  
That J. C. Birds be placed on  
the City Pay Roll for May @ \$50<sup>00</sup> per month  
for services connected with the City  
Hospital.

carried.

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Moved by Alderman Alexander seconded  
by Alderman Oppenheimer,  
That the following amounts  
be paid in connection with voting on  
the City Loan by Law.  
S. W. Boulster \$5<sup>00</sup>, John Devine \$5<sup>00</sup>  
Joe Huntly \$3<sup>00</sup>, D. H. Gow \$5<sup>00</sup>, J. P.  
Haldon \$5<sup>00</sup> and J. Johnson \$2<sup>00</sup>

carried.

Moved by Alderman Alexander seconded  
by Alderman Broughne.

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That permission be  
granted the P.O. Department to erect  
Post Office boxes at the localities  
mentioned in Mr Sletcher's Com-  
munication.

Carried.

Moved by Alderman Trefore seconded  
by Alderman Alexander.

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That tenders be again  
called for building the approach on  
Barrall Street and that the Board of  
Works be empowered to deal in the matter.

Carried.

Moved by Alderman Apperheimer  
seconded by " Humphries.

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That the following  
accounts be paid:

B. P. Telegraph Co,	\$280
Simon McKean,	\$600

Carried

Moved by Alderman Humphries.

Seconded by " Alexander.

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That the resignation  
of Alderman Bell. Irving be ac-  
cepted as member of the City Council.

Carried.

Moved by Alderman Blair seconded  
by Alderman Apperheimer.

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That Messrs  
Stephenson & Mcbraney, be awarded  
the contract for delivering 6 scow loads  
of gravel more or less on Powell Street  
at \$1.90 per yard.

Carried.

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moved by Alderman Oppenheimer  
 seconded by Alderman Bingham  
 that the following resolution be  
 addressed to the Hon Sir A.P. Caron,  
 Minister of Militia and Defense,  
 Be it resolved that the Mayor and  
 Aldermen of the City of Vancouver,  
 the Canadian Pacific Railway line  
 connecting said does the Atlantic and  
 Pacific Oceans, is not only an im-  
 portant factor in developing the na-  
 tural and commercial resources  
 of the Dominion of Canada, afford-  
 ing as it does in connection with its  
 lines of Steamships on both oceans  
 the shortest route between the Mother  
 Country and her possessions in the  
 East; entirely constructed in Terri-  
 tory over which the British flag  
 floats, is also of imperial import-  
 ance not alone in a commercial  
 sense but also as a military route  
 from East to West in case of ne-  
 cessity.

That it is all important on these  
 grounds that such steps should be  
 taken for its protection as would  
 render it reasonably secure from hos-  
 tile interference in case of war,  
 that at its British terminus Vancouver  
 the entrepot on the Pacific Ocean for  
 the Eastern Trade with a population  
 of eight thousand persons, has sprung  
 up having extensive lines of docks  
 and wharves at which British Steam  
 Ships from all parts of the world

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are continually arriving, with large warehouses, manufacturing establishments, industries created in course of construction and projected which will soon make it the most important City in British Territory in this Province, second only to San Francisco on the whole Pacific Coast;

That this Council has learned that a Corps of Royal Engineers have been for some time engaged in planning fortifications at Esquimalt and that same will soon be completed and said Engineers will then depart from this Province.

That this Council earnestly press upon the Government of Canada to take some provisions for the defence of Vancouver before the departure of said Engineers by having the necessary surveys and plans of fortifications made by them, before leaving the Pacific Coast;

That this resolution be forwarded to the Governor in Council through the Honourable Minister of Militia and Defence for Canada, and that said Minister be requested to urge the necessity and importance upon the Cabinet and make all necessary representations to the Imperial Authorities to secure the objects mentioned in this Memorial.

Carried.

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Moved by Alderman Lefevre seconded  
by Alderman Alexander.  
That the Health Inspector  
be authorized to tear down the old  
building on the Hospital lots and  
that the chain gang be utilized for that  
purpose. Carried.

By Laws.  
Moved by Alderman Alexander seconded  
by Alderman Oppenheimer.  
That the By. Law to raise  
\$150,000 by way of debentures be read  
a third time and be then signed printed  
and engrossed. Carried.

Alderman Lefevre moved that the  
Amendments to the Health By. Law be  
read a second time. Carried

The rules were suspended and Council  
went into Committee of the Whole with  
Alderman Lefevre in the Chair.  
By. Law was read clause by clause in  
Committee, after which it rose re-  
porting By. Law complete with Amend-  
ments.

Moved by Alderman Lefevre seconded  
by Alderman Alexander  
That By. Law be numbered  
61, read a third time and signed  
sealed, engrossed and printed,  
Carried.

The Council went into Committee of the whole on Dog Tax by-law with Alderman Humphreys in the Chair. Several clauses were read over after which the Committee rose to report. Progress and asked leave to sit again.

The Council then adjourned

D. Oppenheimer  
Mayor

John S. McLaughlin  
City Clerk