



Captain Joseph-Elzéar Bernier, Albert Harbour 1906. First Arctic voyage in 1904-1905 and completed 3 more Arctic voyages between 1906-1911.

[https://fr.wikipedia.org/wiki/Joseph-Elz%C3%A9ar\\_Bernier#/media/Fichier:Le\\_capitaine\\_Joseph-Elzear\\_Bernier\\_a\\_Albert\\_Harbour\\_en\\_1906.jpg](https://fr.wikipedia.org/wiki/Joseph-Elz%C3%A9ar_Bernier#/media/Fichier:Le_capitaine_Joseph-Elzear_Bernier_a_Albert_Harbour_en_1906.jpg)

***J.E. Bernier & North Pole expedition; Alderman R. Fraser resigns; Vancouver Engineering Works; Vancouver Agricultural Society; Duke of Cornwall; City Hall repairs; Metropole Block; Delmonico Hotel; Holy Trinity Church; Lee Yuen & Co.; street watering; Settlers Association; Clark Park; Polling By-law; S. North Chief of police; Gutta Percha and Rubber Mfg. Co.; Free Library.***

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Vancouver June 17th 1901

The Council met on Monday June 17<sup>th</sup> 1901.

Present His Worship the Mayor and Aldermen Grant, Painter, Cook, Neelands, McPhaiden, McGuigan, Foreman and Wood.

The Minutes of last meeting were read and adopted.

## Communications

From A. Casselman etal asking for a sidewalk on Cordova Street East.

Referred to the Board of Works

From J.E. Bernier asking for assistance to fit out an expedition to the North Pole.  
Filed

From Alderman Fraser tending his resignation.  
Moved by Alderman Wood  
Seconded by Alderman McGuigan  
That his resignation be accepted  
Carried

From the Spicer Shingle Mill Co. Ltd. asking that they be protected against Japanese thieves  
at the foot of Cambie St.  
Referred to the Police Committee

From ThS. Crawford and E.A. Harris applying for the position of Sergeant of Police.  
Referred to the Police Committee

From the Vancouver Engineering Works asking for a Fire Alarm Box.  
Referred to the Fire Committee.

From the City Solicitor stating that the City was not legally responsible for paying people  
detained in quarantine.  
Referred to the Health Committee.

From the Police Court Clerk reporting on the electric lights  
Filed.

From Peter Gunther Musician asking permission to play on the Streets.  
Referred to the Police Committee

From W.H. Lucas asking for the use of certain streets for Carnival  
Referred to the Board of Works

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From J. T. Walker etal asking that the brush be cut off Blocks 90 and 102 D.L. 196  
Referred to the Board of Works

From Philip Fewster offering to install a Septic tank at False Creek.  
Referred to the Board of Works.

From P.F. Burpie Secy Vancouver Agricultural Society asking that the \$250 voted to the B.C.  
Fruit Growers Association be transferred to them.  
Referred to the Finance Committee

From J. Cooke asking if the ratepayers were paying the expenses of M<sup>r</sup> Ricketts to Ottawa in connection with the Duke of Cornwall's visit.

Filed

The following reports were received and read

## Water and Market Committee

The Water and Market Committee met on Wednesday, June 12<sup>th</sup>, 1901

Present the full Board and His Workship the Mayor.

The minutes of last meeting were read and adopted.

The Market Clerk was instructed to see Mr Barker and offer him the platform scales borrowed by Mr Barker from the City for the sum of \$16.00. Should Mr Barker not desire to purchase the Scales they must be returned forthwith

The following charges for weighing were resolved upon:-

Horses and cattle	10¢ each
Hogs and sheep	5¢ each

To take effect from July 1<sup>st</sup>, 1901

### Communications

From Geo. K. Murray et al asking to have water extended to his premises on 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue

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From C.J. Farlow et al asking for larger pipe in the one hundred block on Davie Street.

From Mrs Bridge et al asking for a water supply on Clarke Drive, Grand View

The City Engineer was instructed to procure what pipe is necessary and to lay the same at once where most urgently required.

Resolved that the Chairman and city Engineers be empowered to have done what repairs are necessary to the plaster throughout the City Hall.

The City Engineer was instructed to call for tenders for the water pipe required under the new by-law tenders to be in by Wednesday, July 3<sup>rd</sup> at 3 o'clock p.m.

Resolved that A. Robinson the Caretaker be supplied with a uniform at the same price as the Police Uniforms.

Resolved that the City Engineer be instructed to prepare specifications for repairs to the roof and for painting the City Hall and to call for tenders for the same

The following accounts were recommended for payment:-

H. Winkleman	232.75
Pac. Transfer Co.	5.70
Champion & White	5.80
B.C. Mills T. & T. Co.	3.20
Thurston & Son	.75
R. Casselman	10.90
Thos. Dunn & Co.	7.20
Robertson, Godson Co.	267.49
R.V. Palmer	53.26
MacDonald Marpole Co.	7.75
Vanc. City Iron Works	2.22
Telephone Co.	5.00
Can Gen. Elec Co.	.75
Vanc. Gas Co.	7.00
C.E. Tisdale	2.75
Water Works Pay Roll	1018.50

The Board then adjourned.

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Moved by Alderman Foreman  
Seconded by Alderman Grant  
That the report be adopted as read  
Carried.

## Board of Works

The Board of Works met on Thursday at 4 p.m.  
Present Alderman Grant, Cook M<sup>c</sup>Phaiden MacDonald and Wood  
The minutes of the last meeting were read and adopted.

Mr Towne asked for permission to put down cement walk around Metropole Block subject to the usual conditions  
Permission granted  
And also for new sidewalk around Delmonico Hotel  
Referred to Engineer

Mr Gallagher appeared re telephone poles about to be placed on Seymour Street and requesting that Board direct same to be placed in the alley.  
Referred to the Engineer to see Supt. Of Company

#### Communications

From P. Fewster re septic tanks and sewerage  
Filed.

From A. M. Forbes re location of cinder paths  
Filed.

From Campbell Bros requesting sidewalks to their new store on West Side of Carrall Street  
Alderman MacDonald to examine & report.

From Marg. Schneider requesting walk in front of four new houses built on Helmcken  
Street.

Referred to Alderman Cook and City Engineer to examine and report

From A.C. Shou on behalf of Holy Trinity Church re flooding of same by ditch on 8<sup>th</sup> Ave.  
To be attended to

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From Kip and Morden, Agents for W. Arnold entering a claim against the City for \$100.00  
for & 10 feet of Lot 1, Block 10H 196  
Referred to City Solicitor.

From Lee Yune [Yuen] & Co et al asking that Dupont Street between Carrall Street and  
Columbia Avenue be sprinkled during the dry season  
Being attended to

From G. Shelton et al requesting that Eveleigh Street be rocked  
In the Estimates

Ald. MacDonald made application for a cinder track on S Side of Harris from Westminster  
Avenue to Campbell Avenue

It was decided to rock Campbell Avenue from Hastings to Harris and to ditch around the  
Corner of Westminster Avenue and Prior Street.

Moved by Ald. Cook that the time for receiving tenders for Street Watering be extended till  
June 20<sup>th</sup> at 4 p m

The following accounts were passed for payment:-

Thos Dunn & Co.	264.73
Hastings Saw Mill	38.03
W.T. Tait	33.12
Watt & Bailey	100.00
B.C. Elec Co.	7.00
Pay Roll	4429.04

The Board then adjourned.

Moved by Alderman Grant  
Seconded by Alderman McPhaiden  
That the report be adopted as read  
Carried.

## Finance Committee

The Finance Committee met on Friday, June 14<sup>th</sup>, 1901  
Present Alderman M<sup>c</sup>Guigan (Chair) Painter & Foreman  
The minutes of the last meeting were read and adopted.

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The following accounts were recommended for payment:-

H.M. Henderson	8.00
Brown & Green	5.35
C.P.R. Co's Telegraph	6.35
Telephone Co.	50.72
Province	21.58
B.C. M T. & T. Co.	2.55
Evans Coleman & Evans	19.85
World P & P. Co.	19.00
Free Library	500.00

## Communications

From the Rev. W.W. Percival stating that for years he had been paying his taxes through an agent and now finds that they were not paid to the Treasurer. He asks that the City remit the interest on the arrears

Resolved that he be informed that it is legally beyond the power of the Council to grant his request.

From H.T. Thrift, General Secy of the Settlers Assoc. asking for a grant of \$400. for the purposes of advertising the farming advantages of British Columbia  
Resolved that his communication be filed and that he be informed that it is the matter that should be taken up by Provincial Government

Resolved that Messrs Hermon & Buswell be requested to make a survey of Clarkes [Clark] Park.

The Board then adjourned

Moved by Alderman McGuigan  
Seconded by Alderman Cook.  
That the report be adopted as read.  
Carried.

## Introduction of By-Laws

Moved by Ald. Wood,  
Seconded by Ald. M<sup>c</sup>Guigan.  
That the rules be suspended to allow the introduction of a Polling By-Law for an election in Ward 5 to fill Ald. Fraser's place on the Council  
Carried.

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The By-law was accordingly read a first time

## Motions

Moved by Ald. M<sup>c</sup>Guigan  
Seconded by Ald. Foreman  
That Alderman Wood act on all Committees formerly attended by Alderman Fraser pending the election of a successor to Alderman Fraser.  
Carried.

Moved by Alderman Wood  
Seconded by Alderman Painter  
That Sergeant S. North of the City Police Force be promoted to the position of Chief of Police made vacant by the resignation of J.M. Stewart at \$125 per month from date of appointment.  
Carried.

Moved by Alderman Ward

Seconded by Alderman Neelands

That the tender of Mr A.G. M<sup>c</sup>Kenney for the Gutta Percha and Rubber Mfg. Co. for the supply of 1000 feet hose for the City Fire Dept. be accepted at \$1.05 per foot

Carried.

Moved by Alderman Wood

Seconded by Alderman M<sup>c</sup>Phaiden

That a gratuity of three months salary be given to Ex-Chief of Police Stewart in recognition of his long service in the City's employ.

Carried.

Moved by Alderman Neelands

Seconded by Alderman M<sup>c</sup>Guigan

That the lease of the present Free Library premises be renewed for one year at same terms as last lease

Carried.

Moved by Alderman M<sup>c</sup>Guigan

Seconded by Alderman Wood

That the City Clerk be authorized by this Council to convey to Alderman Fraser, the retiring member for Ward 5, a vote of thanks for the efficient manner in which he has represented the City during the period he sat on the Council Board

Carried.

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## Consideration of By-Laws

Moved by Alderman Ward

Seconded by Alderman Foreman

That the rules be suspended to allow the second reading of the Polling By-Law for Ward 5

Carried

The By-Law was accordingly read a second time.

On motion of Alderman Wood, Seconded by Ald. McGuigan the Council went into Committee of the Whole with Alderman Neelands in the Chair to consider the By-law

The Committee rose and reported the By-Law complete with amendments

Moved by Alderman McGuigan

Seconded by Alderman Foreman

That the Polling By-Law be read a third time.

Carried.

The Council then adjourned.

T.O. Townley  
Mayor

ThS. F. McGuigan  
City Clerk