

FIREMENS' FAREWELL BANQUET.

Old Volunteers Hold Their Closing Functions as an Organization.

An Elegant Spread at the Fairview Is Followed By a Series of Toasts and Expressions of Good Will.

The old Dawson Volunteer Fire Department enjoyed a farewell banquet at the Fairview hotel on Friday night. All the appointments of a swell affair were on hand, including an elaborate menu, and these were all enjoyed to the fullest extent; but as the hours passed and the spirits of the boys and their guests became mellow under the influence of good cheer, the occasion took on the features of a love feast, and expressions of good will and esteem flew about the table in eloquent language.

It was just 10 o'clock when the company, numbering just 39, marched from the balcony to the dining room and were seated at tables arranged in the form of an open square. The viands were at once served in courses, and for over an hour the gentlemen were kept busy caring for the good things spread before them. Chief Fletcher then took charge of the assemblage as chairman, and announced the presence of little Margie Newman and her mother. The popular little lady was at once introduced to the dining room amid a general clapping of hands, and was lifted to the top of the banquet board. Then she was told by Chief Fletcher that she had been invited to appear in order that the old volunteer brigade, before forever disbanding, might have an opportunity to thank her for the many kindnesses she had shown them and to present her with a slight token of their esteem.

Thereupon, he presented the popular little songstress with a beautiful gold badge fashioned after that of the firemen and properly inscribed. Margie expressed her thanks in innocent but eloquent words and then, at the vociferous request of her admirers, rendered a couple of songs, after which she was given three rousing cheers and allowed to retire to an adjoining room with her mother for refreshment.

When punch, coffee and cigars had finally been brought on Leroy Tozier, as toastmaster, took charge of affairs and proposed a series of toasts in a graceful, thoughtful, eloquent way that stamped him as a master of the English tongue and filled his hearers with patriotic sentiments. "The Queen's" health was drunk amid a chorus of "God Bless Her's," after which Captain Jack Crawford responded to "The President," a subject which he handled with facility owing to a personal acquaintance with President McKinley. He also made some personal allusions to his fellow firemen about the tables and pledged their moral support to the chief of the new brigade.

Chief Allen replied to the toast "Fire Departments" and took occasion to eulogize Chief Fletcher and all the men previously under his command, whom he styled "as fine a lot of fellows as can be found." After referring to fire departments in general, he spoke of his proposed work at Dawson, declaring that he would show no favoritism between rich and poor and that the humble tent or cabin of the poorest would receive as earnest attention in time of need as the best establishment in town. His remarks evoked much enthusiasm. "What's the matter with Chief Allen?" some one called, and every one responded in chorus "He's all right."

"The Press" was responded to by Cole Burke, of the Nugget, who spoke on the attitude of the press toward fire fighting organizations. "Our Homes" was eloquently handled by George Noble, who also passed some facetious remarks at the expense of Secretary Moran and Assistant Secretary Marks; he also made a delicate allusion to the object of Chief Fletcher's proposed trip to the outside, conveying the impression that the gentleman has decided to bring his single blessedness to an end. Mr. Noble bespoke the good will of the old fire boys for Chief Allen.

Asst. Chief Stumer spoke on "Absent Friends" in a feeling way, and "Deceased Honorable Members" was drunk in silence. "The Ladies" brought a flow of eloquence from Nat Lyons that surprised everybody. He also advocated the organization of a social society by the old volunteers.

Several more presentations then took place. Chief Fletcher was presented with the gavel he had wielded while commanding the brigade, and which had been embellished with a silver badge appropriately inscribed. Secretary Moran called up Asst. Secy. David Marks and presented him with a handsome gold badge, while ex-fireman J. Kaufman supplemented the kindly remarks accompanying the gift and the company gave Mr. Marks a vote of thanks. Mr. Moran was then presented with a gold watch chain and told by Asst. Chief Stumer how his untiring devotion and services were appreciated by his comrades. The recipients of the beautiful gifts all responded in appropriate language.

Capt. Jack Crawford followed with the recital of an original poem inspired by the occasion, in which he made many happy allusions to the boys at the table.

George Noble sang a popular song which he altered in order to make some more allusions to Chief Fletcher and the mythical attraction on the outside, and Mr. Tozier read a letter from Commissioner Ogilvie, accepting Chief Fletcher's resignation and expressing his regrets.

Messrs. Hastings, Tennant and W. H. B. Lyons made short addresses, and Secretary Moran reviewed the circumstances under which the

brigade was organized on October 16 last, as well as those which had brought about its dissolution. He scored the government severely for its neglect of the people's welfare and for its lack of support of the fire department. During the nine months, he said, the men had attended 96 actual fires with an average attendance of 37 and had put in 5000 hours of work worth \$5000; yet they had received no compensation whatever, and were forced even to stand the loss of their clothing. His sentiments were roundly applauded, evidencing that they had struck a popular chord.

The closing speech was by Chief Fletcher, who spoke in a feeling way about the boys with whom he had been associated, and declared that the happiest hours of his life were passed with them. The festivities were brought to a successful close at 12:30 o'clock with the singing of "Auld Lang Syne" and "God Save the Queen."

Those in attendance were as follows: Firemen—Fletcher, Stumer, Moran, Marks, Galpin, Hastings, McNeely, Buel, Skelgie, Jacobson, Evans, C. Kellogg, E. E. Keltogg, Klime, Farrell, Duff, Boyd, Bergland, Craig, G. Dwyer, F. Dwyer, Tennant, McCarthy, Schloss, Langille, Nichols, N. Lyons, W. H. B. Lyon, Williamson, Blarrett, Hemen and Nettleton. Guests—Chief W. J. Allen, Capt. Jack Crawford, Lloyd Botta, V. D. Cankey, Geo. Noble, J. Kaufman, H. B. Burkhardt, Milton Boyd, Cole Burke.

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Strike on the Tanana.

William Eassie, a miner who recently arrived from below on his way to the outside, confirmed the report of a gold discovery in the Tanana country, and gave some interesting details of the same. The discovery was made by a Boston party of 10 men. Early last fall the expedition started up the Tanana in search of gold. Reaching the mouth of Baker, they turned up that stream and prospected, finding good colors all the way up to Eureka. On this creek better showings were encountered, and the discoverers determined to go to bedrock. They did so, reaching the paystreak St. Patrick's day, March 17. It may be stated that the Eureka camp has already shown up six or eight prospects, notably Eureka, Pioneer, Rhode Island, Boston and American. Excellent prospects have been found on all these streams, and discovery claim on Eureka has been sufficiently developed to state results. On this the owners rescind the claim, finding 36 feet of paystreak six feet deep, the dust of which averages five cents to the pan. Bedrock is found at a depth of from 52 to 14 feet, and the diggings are such as can be worked both winter and summer; that is, by the thawing method in the winter and hydraulic in the summer. The creek is 10 miles long, and is a tributary of Baker, which empties into the Tanana. Several of the prospected creeks named are tributaries of Eureka, which has already been staked from mouth to source. The camp is within 27 miles of Rampart, the metropolis of the Munook district, and many of the miners of the latter section have already secured claims, some a number of them, in Eureka.

The discoverers had no idea of their proximity to Rampart, and did not know, figuratively speaking, just where they were until several weeks later, when two Munook prospectors, Johnson and Easmussen, stumbled upon them. The new arrivals made locations, and, with the Bostonians, hurried to Rampart to record. Then the news became generally known and a Munook rush set in.

"I have no hesitancy," Mr. Eassie remarked, "in saying Eureka is a rich camp. It may not be as fabulously so as the Klondike, but it is a district great in extent. I think it has many two-ounce-per-day-per-man diggings. I made personal investigations—look no man's word. On discovery claim, for instance, I went down in the mine and saw the panings. We took any number of them, not from one spot, but clear across the length and breadth of the paystreak. The pans run from four to seven cents, or I should say an easy average of five cents."

Mr. Eassie thinks Munook a great district. He believes hydraulic mining is going to revolutionize affairs there. With a reasonable amount of such appliances, he says the McGraw-Carr claim, on Little Munook, would have produced \$300,000, instead of \$100,000, the estimate given by Mr. Eassie.

Little Munook creek's yield for the past season Eassie places at \$50,000.

Who Owns This Man? UPPER DISCOVERY, DAMMERS, July 7.

Dear Sir—Will you please make mention of the finding of a swede or Norwegian by Mr. W. H. Riddell on the 5th inst., while prospecting on the hillsides of lower Damman. The man's name is Madison, and he was crossing from Flat creek to Damman, when he fell and fractured a bone in his ankle. Mr. Riddell gave him all the attention possible, and got him on condition to move a mile or two a day on crutches, but he is laid off, and his friends ought to know.

The creek is very quiet, and a new paystreak is being located in the wilds of the lower Damman hillsides. Respectfully, W. T. AVERY.

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