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DOUBLE LINE OF STAGES TO & FROM GRAND FORKS
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New Year's Day.
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Have installed a new plant on the Ridge and are now in a position to pull up all comers.
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CITIZENS OPPOSED

To the Scheme for Incorporating the City for a Great Many Reasons.

PRESENT GOVERNMENT GOOD ENOUGH

And the Question of Who Might Gain Political Power.

UNDER THE MUNICIPALITY

Are the Principal Arguments Against Withdrawing the City From the Control of the Council.

In view of the fact that the question of incorporation for the city is being discussed on all sides, and that a public meeting has been called to discuss the question from all sides, the Nugget today publishes the views of a number of people just as they were met upon the street without regard to the amount of property upon which they pay taxes or of their nationality.

Harry Edwards was the first one met with and when asked for an expression of opinion on the subject said he didn't feel that he was in a position to give it.

Mr. Aikman, of the firm of Wade & Aikman, said: "I am not in favor of incorporation, for many reasons. In the first place I do not believe the time has come when the city can safely embark on self-government, and the expense would be greater than the case seems to demand."

Mr. Wills of the Bank of Commerce said: "I don't think there will be any incorporation at present. At a meeting recently held at my house just about half the taxable property of the city was represented and it is solidly against incorporation."

Levine, the clothier, said he didn't want any incorporation in his. "We're doing well enough as it is."

E. B. Condon thought that little could be said on the subject, either for or against till it became definitely known what sources of revenue would be at the disposal of a municipality in case one was formed.

C. L. Phillips said: "I am not in favor of incorporation, and think the present form of government is better than any that could be supplied in its stead at the present time. I believe in a reasonable and just taxation."

Dr. Cassels was met on the street and asked for his opinion of the matter and said: "While it is a question that should be seriously studied before replying, I can only say that to give you an off hand expression of what I think, I am against incorporation."

Mr. Delaney, of the N. A. T. & T. Co., replied, when asked where he stood on the question, that he was not in favor of it. "In the first place the time is not ripe yet for incorporation, and besides, I think the present councilmen are honorable and just men, and we can do no better than to leave the management of the city's affairs in their hands till such time as there is some more pressing need for a change, and we are in a position to know that the men who would be elected to fill

the offices of a municipality would be equally as competent and trustworthy."

Steve O'Brien said that so far as he was concerned he did not see the need of incorporation.

Attorney Thos. McGowan thought the affairs of the city's government were so well managed by the council that there was little need to expect any improvement under incorporation.

Mr. Thebo could see no necessity for immediate incorporation.

Attorney Tabor said he had not given the matter sufficient thought to be in a position to say that he was either for or against incorporation.

Dr. Brown thought there was no call for incorporation, as the government of the city seemed to be as good as any that could be had under a municipality formed at present.

Attorney H. E. Robertson said he was opposed to the scheme, and so it goes from one end of the city to the other, and there seems to be little reason to suppose that the matter will ever come to a vote, and if it does, and a property qualification is exacted of voters, there is nothing at present to indicate that the question must be carried by an overwhelming majority in favor of the present form of government.

Farewell To 1900

This is the last day of a month, a year and a century. No one in Dawson ever witnessed a similar day and none of us will ever see another.

Tonight in Dawson as well probably as in all parts of the civilized world many people will stay up to bid goodby to the old year and century in which they were born and to welcome the new century which in probably every case will witness their taking from life.

In the local churches the occasion will be celebrated by appropriate exercises consisting of prayer, praises and thanks to God for His goodness. In many private houses a few friends will gather and be engaged in jollity and good fellowship when the midnight hour arrives, when the new year will be welcomed by the mutual exchange of greetings and wellwishes.

"Ring out the old, ring in the new, Ring down the false, ring up the true."

Uneven Sidewalks.

The carelessness of a number of property owners on some of the principal streets and avenues in allowing caked and packed snow and ice to remain on their sidewalks until time and the elements remove it is little less than criminal. In the majority of places the walks are kept practically cleared of the accumulation incident to frequent snow falls, but in some places the walks have not been touched with pick or shovel since the advent of winter with the result that they are several inches higher than their neighbors, are rough, uneven, sidling and in some cases dangerous to pedestrians. If people are naturally so careless and negligent as to care nothing for the general appearance of their sidewalks or the safety of the public, the authorities should quietly give them a hint to put their property in decent condition.

Indians Are Happy.

It is said that for several days past a potlach such as has not been witnessed in the country for many years is being held at Moosehide, the occasion being the return of a delegation of braves from a hunting trip on which the Great Spirit smiled most benignly upon them, thus enabling them to return laden down with trophies of the hunt. Not for many seasons has there been such a large amount of game brought back to lay before the squaws and pa-poooses of the tribe, hence the spirit of peace and good will which pervades the dusky sons and daughters of the village.

It will be remembered that last year the Moosehide Indians returned almost empty-handed from the hunt and that scarcity to the verge of hunger was their share during the latter part of the winter. It is different now. Where a year ago wails from hungry children pierced the atmosphere that hung like a pall over the desolate village, the aroma of roast meat a la squaw is now apparent. Every cache now groans with its burden of solid wealth, their

walls being beautifully festooned with slabs of dried salmon.

And this is why happiness and good cheer stalk rampant at Moosehide.

The Salvation Army.

Adjutant Barr, the officer in charge of the local branch of the Salvation Army desires to thank the business men of the city for their very generous response to his appeal for the Christmas dinner. The donors list is an extremely long one, the donations of a very practical character, consequently there was no lack of those things necessary to provide a first-class Christmas spread. That the new year may be for all one of happiness and prosperity is his sincere desire.

The following is the program for the last night of the century at the Salvation Army. Salvation meeting at 8 o'clock; at 9:45, coffee with cake, pie or sandwich will be served, and at 10:30 there will be a Watch Night Service. All are heartily invited to attend.

Challenge.

I hereby challenge the Colorado Kid or Frank Rafael to meet me in a ten-round go at some early date, the place of meeting to be arranged between the principles.

C. H. SINCLAIR (Caribou).

Vaccination Goes

It has been reported around the city for the past several days that, owing to the fact that smallpox has been entirely stamped out in the district, the order providing for general vaccination would not be enforced. This report is wholly without foundation as was learned today on inquiry by a Nugget representative of the powers that be. Vaccine points to the number of 15,000 have lately been received by Commissioner Ogilvie and as many of them as will be needed to vaccinate every man, woman and child in the Yukon district who cannot show a well defined and fresh vaccination scar will be used. At the next meeting of the council the appointment of additional public vaccinators will be made until the number reaches five or six, after which wholesale inoculation will be inaugurated and those who rebel against the order may be placed in stocks.

The council seems it best to guard against any possibility of a reappearance of smallpox when Boreas relaxes his grip on the country next spring, and on the homely but oft true theory that "a stitch in time saves nine," every person must bare his, her or its arm for official inspection and probable vaccination. It is expected that the public arm (or limb) scratches will be abroad in our midst before the end of the present week.

Mr. Tache en Route.

Government Engineer J. C. Tasche is en route to Dawson from Whitehorse. A telegram from the latter point announces that Mr. Tache may be expected at any time.

A. E. Co. Will Receive.

E. W. Brown, of the A. E. Co., requests the announcement made that his company's store will keep "open house" tomorrow between the hours of 10 a. m. and 5 p. m., and that patrons are invited to call and partake of the company's hospitality.

Cyrus Noble whisky, Rochester.

Silk hose and silk underwear at Sargent & Pinska's.

New Year presents at Sargent & Pinska's.

Short orders served right. The Helborn.

Eastern Washington new timothy hay at Mecker's.

WAS NO STRIKE

Man Who Has Arrived Direct From Tanana Heard Nothing of It

UNTIL HE REACHED FORTYMILE.

Has Been a Distance of 300 Miles Up the Tanana.

THE REPORT WAS A FAKE.

Lower River Mail Service Gives Satisfaction—High Price of Provisions at Circle City.

E. N. Carpenter, originally from Pennsylvania, but who has spent the past two years in Alaska, arrived in Dawson Saturday night, accompanying Mail Contractor Downing from lower river points. Mr. Carpenter has but recently come from the Tanana country where he spent the fall prospecting. He came with the mail through from the mouth of Tanana in 29 days, which is the record trip thus far made by any of the mail carriers on the same route. Mr. Carpenter was asked by a Nugget representative today if he had heard anything of the Tanana strike which a local paper sensationally described in a recent issue.

"I heard nothing of any such strike until I got this side of Fortymile," said he, "where I met a man who had seen the report in a Dawson paper. I was 300 miles up the Tanana and no one along the river or at the mouth had heard of the strike. I do not know how such a report could have been started but am satisfied that there is nothing in it."

Mr. Carpenter speaks very highly of the service now being given by the mail contractors on the lower river. The mail is handled by a system of relays and with such efficiency that no delays of any consequence occur in getting the consignments through to their destination.

The mail with which he came is from points as far down as Tanana. It is expected every day that a through mail will arrive from Nome.

There is a scarcity of commodities at several posts down the river, the result being that prices are getting very high. Flour in Circle City has sold as high as \$15 per sack, and other classes of goods at proportionate prices. The reason advanced is that expected boats failed to arrive and a consequent shortage has ensued.

There are a good many men prospecting in the Tanana country, but owing to the cost of provisions and difficulty of transporting them to the diggings, work is not being conducted on a large scale.

Mr. Carpenter will remain for a few days in Dawson when he will leave for his home in Pennsylvania.

Dissolution of Partnership.

Harry Jones and Adolph Spitzel of the Reception, have dissolved partnership. The business will be continued in future by A. Spitzel.

Shoff, the Dawson Dog Doctor, Pioneer Drug Store.

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This price will appeal to your purse
If you value your dollars
50 MEN'S FUR COATS \$35.00
Including Wombats, Polangus, Wolf and Fur Lined Beaver Coats, worth from \$50.00 to \$75.00. Your choice while they last.
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