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SPECIAL MEETING

Of Trustees of the Board of Trade Discusses Important Business.

THE FIRE DEPARTMENT IS SCORED.

The Inexperienced and Incompetent Should Be Removed.

SUNDAY TELEGRAPH SERVICE

Desired to Avoid the Delays Necessary Under the Present System of Sunday Closing.

A special meeting of the board of trustees of the Board of Trade was held last evening at which much matter of first importance to the Dawson public was discussed and acted upon.

One of the first things coming before the board for consideration was a subject by no means new. It was the resignation of J. A. Schute, which has been tendered before, but withdrawn. This

time it was accepted, and the election of his successor will take place at an early date.

Dr. Yeman, as chairman of the committee on health and sanitation, reported the city free from infection, and almost beyond the danger of further smallpox contagion. The committee was reported as busy with the difficult question of garbage, which by reason of its being dumped too close inshore gives reason to believe that it may prove a source of much trouble, if not danger, by being deposited all in one place by the eddy. The committee suggest that a scow be built which will open in the middle, thereby dumping the garbage from the bottom, and that the scow be manipulated by means of a cable and anchor, in such a way as to carry the garbage out into the flow of the main current of the river before dumping.

R. M. Crawford, of the committee on architecture and education, reported that although the committee was hard at work, and progressing with the task allotted to it, a report could not yet be made. Further time was granted.

Mr. Stumer, as chairman of the committee on fire, light and water, reported for his committee, that the large buildings of the city had been examined and found to be in a fairly good condition so far as danger from fire is concerned, but said that the principal danger existed in the smaller structures, from the badly obstructed condition of the alleyways, and from the general incompetency of the personnel of the fire department.

The report says that while the Dawson fire department is well equipped with all the necessary appliances, it stands much in need of a house-cleaning in the matter of employees. They are lacking in experience, says the report, and should be replaced at once by a more competent set of fire fighters. The question of lighting is passed for the present and the committee is in correspondence with the water company regarding its intentions concerning the city water supply.

The committee on mines, mining and smelting, reported itself busy with cer-

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RECEIVED BY WIRE.

THROWS OFF MASK.

China Stands Today the Whole World's Avowed Enemy.

LI HUNG-CHANG TO COMMAND FORCES.

Ministers Shoot Their Families to Save Them From Torture.

SIR ROBERT HART SUICIDES.

Emperor William's Rash Address—Lady Randolph Churchill Marries—New Railroad.

Shanghai, July 29, via Skagway, Aug. 4.—China has thrown off the mask and avowed war against all foreigners is openly declared. The imperial decree was published yesterday in which it is stated that it is inadvisable to kill all the foreign ministers, and equally inadvisable to send them to Tientsin. The decree says that the only possible thing to do with the surviving ministers and other foreigners is to hold them in Peking as hostages.

Li Hung-Chang has been summarily ordered to Peking on penalty of incurring the imperial displeasure by longer remaining in the south. The order says: "You were appointed viceroy to Chile on account of your military experience and you are now hereby commanded to lead the imperial army against all foreigners."

England Loses Hope.

London, July 29, via Skagway, Aug. 4.—England, and in fact all Europe, has lost hopes of any members of the legations in Peking being yet alive.

A Shanghai correspondent to the Daily Mail says:

"A Russian banker who left Peking on July 7th and arrived in Shanghai on the 25th says that when he left Peking all the legations had been destroyed and foreigners murdered. Ministers seeing that death, after the most horrible atrocities and torture conceivable, was imminent, shot and killed their wives and children. Sir Robert Hart, in despair, committed suicide to avoid a much more torturous death."

Missionaries Massacred.

New York, July 29, via Skagway, Aug. 4.—The Presbyterian Board of Foreign Missions and the American Bible Society have both received cable grams that many of their representatives in various parts of China have been indiscriminately massacred.

A cablegram from Paofin-Pu says all surviving foreigners in the interior have been ordered to Shanghai, but there is little doubt of their reaching there as they are almost sure to be assassinated on the road.

Lady Churchill Married.

London, July 29, via Skagway, Aug. 4.—Lady Randolph Churchill, nee Jerome, was married here today to Lieut. George Cornwallis West.

Hot-Headed William.

Berlin, July 23, via Skagway, Aug. 4.—Emperor William's address to his soldiers on their starting on the Chinese expedition is the subject for

much unfavorable comment and criticism. His instructions to the army were: "Spare no Chinese and make no prisoners."

For a New Railroad.

Sterling, Colorado, July 29, via Skagway, Aug. 4.—The Knight's Bridge Co. have filed articles of incorporation in the office of the county clerk for a railroad from Valdez Bay, Colorado, to Keystone Canyon, and on to Thompson Pass through Dutch Valley. It is believed the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy is back of the proposition.

Received at Winnipeg.

Winnipeg, July 21.—Tonight the citizens of Winnipeg tendered Lord and Lady Minto, the finest reception ever accorded any public man in Western Canada.

His excellency and Lady Minto arrived at Winnipeg at 8:30, and as they paraded up Main street with a large military and civic procession, the principal streets were one blaze of light from the illuminations of buildings. At the city hall, which was most beautifully illuminated, the governor general was presented with an address and the key of the city, to which he replied briefly.

The procession then proceeded to Government house, where his excellency reviewed the procession. The grounds were gaily decorated with thousands of electric lights and lanterns. Thousands of citizens blockaded the streets during the procession. Lord Minto was warmly welcomed by his many comrades of the 90th Battalion, whom he accompanied to the front in the rebellion of 1885.

On Monday he will open the Winnipeg industrial exhibition, which continues during the week.

Woman Sentenced for Theft.

London, July 23.—Miss Caroline E. Keyes, who pleaded guilty a week ago, in the Marylebone police court, London, to a charge of stealing a gold watch, a bracelet, a hair brush and articles of clothing of the aggregate value of £22 from roomers in the Norfolk Mansions hotel, where she had been staying, and who in the course of the hearing, said she was an American and had come to London to attend the World's Christian Endeavor convention as a delegate from a church in Minnesota, has been sentenced to three months' imprisonment. The evidence showed, however, that she had no connection whatever with the Christian Endeavorers.

There were further evidences of thefts committed at the Hotel Cecil and elsewhere, and the magistrate, in sentencing the prisoner, described her as a vulgar thief.

Bonanza Creek Notes.

Mr. A. L. Smith, of 24b above Bonanza leaves for the outside in a few days to return in March over the ice.

Mr. Lowell, of 51 below Bonanza roadhouse, has the thanks of all pedestrians for the fine foot trail just completed on 49 and 50.

E. P. J. J. foreman on 32 Eldorado, had his ankle severely sprained in assisting his men rolling logs onto a dam.

A great improvement is noticeable on the government trail between 32 and 76 below Bonanza, but the same mistake is made as on that built last summer, in not digging a ditch on the side next to the bank, with a culvert in the low places on the road. There are half a dozen places between 72 and 86 below Bonanza that are in worse condition today than before the road was built. At one place teamsters actually drive their teams up the side hill in order to prevent being mired on the government road.

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PUBLIC SCHOOL

Has at Last Been Provided For in Dawson by Yukon Council

AT A MEETING HELD LAST NIGHT.

Member Girouard Holds Out for Two Different Schools

BUT HIS PLAN IS DEFEATED.

Fraternity Hall on Mission Street Will Be Secured—Two Teachers to Be Provided.

The Yukon council cannot meet for the transaction of new business, the passing of ordinances, etc., but the three members present met last evening and the long hoped for action in the matter of the establishment of a free, non-sectarian public school was taken.

The members present, Commissioner Ogilvie, Clement and Girouard, were enabled to do this by reason of its being unfinished business which was especially referred to them by a former meeting of the council.

Councilman Girouard favored the establishing of two schools, one in each end of the town, as he was of the opinion that one school could not be located centrally enough to meet the requirements demanded. The others favored one school for a start, and that located in the south end, because it appeared that the only available building suitable for the purpose was located there.

Considerable debate ensued, Mr. Girouard stoutly maintaining his point, and desiring to go on record as having done so, but he found himself in the minority and had to yield in the end to superior numbers.

The decision finally reached was that the building known as the fraternal hall in the south end of town should be leased and furnished as speedily as possible, and that two teachers should be employed. It is hoped by those having the matter in hand that the school will be ready for operating by the 1st of September.

It was suggested that inasmuch as Father Gendreau's school, in the other end of town, is non-sectarian, it could be used by pupils living nearer to it than to the proposed school in the south end, for the present, at least.

The court of revision will meet next Tuesday for the consideration of the protest now on file against the recent assessments levied. The court will sit till noon and then adjourn till evening, and will sit daily till the business in hand is disposed of.

For Tomorrow Night.

Prof. Parkes will give another of his popular Sunday night entertainments at the Palace Grand, showing scenes and incidents along the inland route from Seattle to Nome, new illustrated songs by Eleonor Parkes, new music by orchestra. These entertainments are instructive as well as entertaining, and to give everyone the opportunity to see these views and moving pictures, the public may see them at half price. Admission 50 cents; reserved seats \$1. Tickets at Reid's drug store.

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