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REORGANIZE THE BOARD.

The business interests of Dawson at the present time are in a deplorable condition. Money is tight and getting more so every day. Rent signs are being displayed in locations which have never been vacant since the earliest history of the camp and trade in almost every line is practically stagnant. Such a condition of affairs at this season of the year is unprecedented, and the situation is all the more regrettable by reason of the fact that no substantial reasons are in evidence to account for it.

The resources behind the community are rich and permanent, and while the output for the season will undoubtedly fall somewhat behind that of previous years, nevertheless when compared with other camps it will total an enormous sum.

The business men of the town are face to face with a critical situation and it has become plain that they must unite for mutual protection or see their interests continue to suffer Dawson should by every right be as prosperous and lively today as ever in its history—but the fact remains that the contrary is the case.

The Nugget submits, therefore, that the time for action has arrived. The business community must organize and devise ways and means for their own salvation or submit to consequences which ultimately will prove disastrous.

For two weeks the deputy minister of the interior has been in the city and no effort has been made to present to his attention the needs of the business community other than through the local press.

While Mr. Smart is in Dawson the occasion should be taken advantage of in every possible manner. Representative business men duly authorized should meet with the deputy minister and explain the facts as they exist and seek assurance that measures will be inaugurated for the relief of existing conditions.

As a step in that direction the board of trade should be reorganized at once. Heretofore there has been a laxity of interest shown in the organization, but the Nugget is prepared to say that almost without exception the business men of the community are now ready and willing to unite and stand shoulder to shoulder for the improvement of their mutual interests.

To expect or hope for any relief from the city council is to indulge in idle fancies. That body is purely a figurehead affair with authority or ability to do nothing but pile up debt upon the community.

If relief is secured the grievances under which the town is laboring must be taken to headquarters, where power to do something is held.

The Nugget has spoken of this

same matter before and we urge again upon the business men of Dawson that they must come to their own relief. The board of trade should be reorganized at once. Committees should be appointed to investigate into and report suggestions for the improvement of the situation, and then the whole matter should be laid before the deputy minister and a strong effort made to enlist his assistance in reviving the town from its present depressed condition.

The Nugget is not a pessimist nor an alarmist but we believe in viewing facts as they exist and describing them without color or exaggeration. We repeat again, therefore, that the business men of the town must get together and devise some plan for working out their own salvation. The united voice of all the commercial interests of the town must be listened to with respect and there is no reason to doubt that such will prove to be the case.

Reorganize the board of trade, have every business firm in the city represented, let every member pledge himself to work for mutual protection and the improvement of conditions and something will certainly be accomplished.

Unless the town comes to its own rescue there is no reason for belief that any one else will do so.

THE LIBRARY MATTER.

It appears to be the consensus of opinion that the offer of Mr. Carnegie to provide the sum of \$25,000 for the establishment of a library in Dawson is meant to apply only to the extent of constructing a building. Mr. Carnegie's policy in dealing with other communities has been invariably to ask that a guarantee fund for equipment and maintenance be raised. In other words he says that he will give assistance only to those places which manifest an inclination to help themselves. In the beginning of the discussion the Nugget suggested the impropriety of examining a gift horse too closely but at the same time we expressed the belief, which we believe echoed the opinion of the community generally, that \$25,000 is a larger sum than is required for a building and that Mr. Carnegie's offer could be made more effective if the donor could be induced to allow the expenditure of one-half the amount for books and other equipment.

We certainly, however, did not mean to convey the impression that we favored rejecting the offer under any circumstances. If Mr. Carnegie insists that the full amount be expended for a building, the Nugget is heartily in favor of accepting his offer by all means on the terms named. Before definite action is taken we should like to see an effort made to secure Mr. Carnegie's consent to a division of his gift on the lines mentioned, but if that is impossible we are certainly in favor of accepting the original offer.

The fact that regular steamer communication is now maintained between Dawson and Eagle City is an indication of the growing importance of the latter town. It is the unanimous opinion of those who are informed as to the situation that Eagle is beginning to exhibit signs of activity which foretell of a prosperous and active future.

Margie Newman at Auditorium.

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Crown's Chief Witness Was Self-confessed Arsonist Joseph McMillan.

"Not guilty" was the verdict returned by the jury in the case of Rex vs. Joseph Genelle yesterday afternoon at the conclusion of the defendant's trial on the charge of arson.

The principal evidence of the prosecution was given by McMillan, the watchman of the boats who confessed to lighting the fire. His evidence was substantially the same as given at his preliminary hearing, but in several important points, as to conversations regarding the burning of the ships he had with Genelle, he contradicted himself. He also said that he had been with Genelle just prior to the latter leaving for the outside and they then had talked over the proposition. He said that Genelle had introduced him to R. P. McLennan as the watchman of the boats and had requested Mr. McLennan to give him any assistance he might need. This introduction had taken place some days before Genelle left for the outside. He also mentioned a couple of letters he had received from Mr. Genelle in which he was told not to forget his contract. The letters he claimed had been burned up and therefore could not be produced.

McMillan was subjected to a most severe cross-examination and admitted having taken goods from the boats and sold them and that the burning of the boats would have been a means of keeping the owners of the boats from checking him up.

R. P. McLennan was called and stated that Genelle had given him bills of sale for the boats to cover a loan before his departure to the outside. Mr. McLennan also said that the only conversation he had ever held with McMillan was the evening that Genelle left, directly contradicting the evidence of McMillan. Witness has known Genelle for a number of years having business dealings with him during that time and had never known him to do a dishonest act.

Mr. Genelle in his own behalf denied most emphatically ever hinting or speaking to McMillan about burning the boats.

Mr. W. A. Wilkinson was called and testified to the good character of Genelle, whom he had never heard of doing a dishonest act.

The only evidence against Genelle was that of McMillan, the self-confessed criminal, and his story was so weak and contradictory that there was no hesitancy on the part of the judge or jury in completely exonerating him from any complicity in the crime.

Cattle Thieves Caught

El Paso, Tex., Aug. 12.—Information has reached here that six members of a notorious gang of cattle thieves which has been operating on a wholesale plan for months in the Panhandle country have been captured at Pastura, N.M., by Texas rangers who followed them over the state line.

Convict Norrie Recaptured

Leavenworth, Kan., Aug. 8.—John Norrie, the convict who escaped from the guards Thursday by jumping from a culvert into a creek, was captured at Atchison, Kansas, this afternoon.

"The idea of your telling me I'm extravagant!" protested Mr. Chugwater, "when I've saved \$500 in the last ten years on one item alone, by a little self-denial!"

"What item is that?" demanded Mrs. Chugwater.

"Cutting down my life insurance from \$5,000 to \$1,000."—Chicago Tribune.

\$10,000.00 For Loss of Love.
Such was the verdict of the jury in a case recently tried in which one man sued another for the alienation of his wife's affections. In a case that has been tried here in Dawson the verdict is that Dunham carries the best of every thing in the grocery line.

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Prince Chen Gone.

New York, Aug. 12.—Prince Chen paid a visit to the city hall today, and was formally welcomed to the city by President Forney, of the board of aldermen, who is acting mayor in the absence of Mr. Low. The prince was accompanied by Third Assistant Secretary of State Pierce, the Chinese minister, Wu Ting Fang; the new minister, Sir Chen Tung Liang Chang; the Chinese consul and vice-consul, and attaches of the Chinese legation at Washington.

A visit was next made to the post-office, where Postmaster Van Cott, after receiving the distinguished visitors in his private room, conducted them through the office. Prince Chen was apparently much interested and spent a considerable time watching the system.

The prince and party then took a drive over the Brooklyn bridge, next visited the subway, and proceeded to Chinatown. There an elaborate reception had been prepared, and the streets were gaily decorated with flags and colored lanterns.

From Chinatown the party was driven back to the Waldorf, where the prince entertained Sir Chen Tung Liang Chang, Minister Wu Ting Fang and Secretary Pierce at dinner.

Prince Chen left tonight for Montreal in a special car attached to the Montreal express. He was escorted to his car by Mr. Pierce and Secretary Reynolds. He shook them both very warmly by the hand, and then Sir Liang, speaking for the prince, said:

"His highest desires me to tell you that it is with deep gratitude in his heart that he now bids farewell to the hospitality of this nation. He is sorry that his stay has been so brief, and says that if it is possible he will visit this country during the St. Louis exposition. He desires me to thank you gentlemen, personally, and the people of the United States and its noble chief executive, President Roosevelt, for their hospitality and that of his government, to President Roosevelt and Secretary Hay for the friendly feeling which this country has shown toward China."

Before the train started, Chinese merchants made an offering to the prince. The offerings consisted of flowers, fruits, sweetmeats and American souvenirs.

Prince Chen will not visit Niagara Falls, as was planned. He will go direct to Vancouver from Montreal, and will sail for China on August 18.

Shot From an Ambush.

Manila, Aug. 12.—An investigation by the constabulary to clear up the facts in the killing of a Cebu coaching party of four school teachers shows that the party was ambushed twelve miles from Cebu.

Two teachers were shot and killed at the first volley; a third who ran was shot in the back and a fourth, who was captured, was shot in the chest while he was praying for mercy. It is suspected that the fourth man was buried alive as his wound was slight and probably would not have caused death. It is believed that sufficient evidence has been secured to convict all the parties connected with the crime.

The bodies of these teachers were found on July 24, after the teachers had been missing since June 10. The police killed the leader of the band of murderers and captured eight other alleged participants in the crime. One man escaped.

Curious Misunderstandings

One of the strange traits of little children is their utter misunderstanding of many simple things, and the endurance of this misunderstanding with them through years and years. Thus, there is a lawyer of Philadelphia who thought, until he was twenty or twenty-one years of age, that there was such a word as "pard-narsens" in the language. His father, a religious man, had said grace always at the table, and the boy had heard, incontinently, three times a day, "pard-narsens" in the grace, without comprehending in the least that "pardon our sins" were the words his father actually had spoken.

Margie Newman at Auditorium.

Admiralty and Combine.

London, Aug. 5.—In the course of the consideration of the naval estimates in the house of commons today, Edmund Robertson (Liberal), alluding to the statement that J. Pierpont Morgan had offered the government the right to utilize the vessels of the ship combine as British cruisers, said he hoped that neither the admiralty nor the government would make a conclusive bargain in so serious a matter without offering the house an opportunity to consider it.

Hugh O. Arnold-Foster, secretary to the admiralty, in reply said he was not in a position to make a statement on the subject except to say that the admiralty certainly was not relying on any pledge made by any foreigners. The subsidies to which the admiralty was now committed, however, would be paid. With respect to the subsidy ships, Mr. Arnold-Foster said they were absolutely under government control during the subsidy period, and the admiralty was not in any way dependent on so unsatisfactory a security as the promised aid of which Mr. Robertson had spoken. Continuing, the secretary to the admiralty said he was not in a position to state what might be the ultimate decision of the government on the larger question of subsidization or in regard to contributions towards the establishment of new lines between the United Kingdom and the colonies.

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