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BELCHER-McDONALD

Case Is Still On Trial Before His Honor, Justice Dugas.

BANKER H. T. WILLS ON THE STAND.

His Bank Has Had Many Transactions With McDonald

SINCE OPENING FOR BUSINESS

In Dawson Which Was in the Year 1898—Case Is Long Drawn Out.

The Belcher-McDonald case was continued before Justice Dugas yesterday afternoon. Manager Wills of the Canadian Bank of Commerce was on the stand and testified as to the money which Alex McDonald had received from the bank and the securities which the bank held in the form of notes and mortgages on Alex's property.

A note given to the bank by F. M. James for \$8000, and endorsed by Calder and McDonald which was eventually paid by Alex McDonald occupied considerable time.

John McCormick was next called to the stand and testified regarding an interview he had with Belcher on the 7th of July, 1900, at which time they had discussed the Calder case and the liability on the notes. Neither Roy McDonald nor Duncan McDonald were present at the interview.

This morning the case was continued with Manager Wills again on the stand. In answer to a question by Mr. McCann he stated that the Canadian Bank started business in Dawson in the early part of June, 1898, and that Alex McDonald commenced doing a large business with them shortly after they started.

The questions put to the witness by Mr. McCann as to the amounts of McDonald's deposits during the months of June and July, 1898, was objected to by Mr. Wade and after considerable argument the justice sustained the objection as not applying to the transactions with the bank under discussion.

Witness was shown a release of mortgage to Olson & Co., for \$170,000 and asked if the payment had been made through the bank. He replied that it had.

Witness was then asked to turn to his ledger and find the date of the transaction McDonald had had with the bank. He said it was a mortgage covering three notes executed to H. T. Wills and J. T. McMullen as trustees for the bank of Commerce and approximating \$65,465.65. Mr. Wade objected to the question but was overruled.

Witness was asked if McDonald had had any large transactions with the bank during 1898. Mr. Wade objected to the question but was overruled. Witness replied that McDonald had given a mortgage to him as trustee for the bank on 27 Eldorado for \$203,036; another mortgage was also given him for \$147,061, and there was a further indebtedness of \$57,975.65.

That on the same date McDonald had executed to him as trustee of the bank a deed to the whole of 27 and a one-half interest in 36 and 37 Eldorado, but this had been merely a substitution of collateral security as they had on deposit as security for McDonald either \$80,000 or \$120,000, he did not remember which, and which McDonald wanted. The case will be continued this afternoon.

Mable Smith, alias Mrs. Phillips, who was bound over from the police court on a charge of receiving stolen goods from Wm. Marble to the value of \$25 knowing them to be stolen and disposing of them, was before the justice this morning and pleaded not guilty. Her trial was set for tomorrow before Justice Craig.

Wm. Marble who pleaded guilty of theft yesterday was remanded to jail and will be sentenced Friday.

IN TOZIER'S HONOR

Eagles Held Special Session Sunday Night.

Joy at the recovery of its worthy president, Mr. Leroy Tozier, prompted a special session of thankfulness of Dawson Aerie, No. 50, Fraternal Order of Eagles, to be held Sunday night at which nearly all members of the order in the city were present.

Mr. John L. Timmins delivered what might be termed an address of welcome back to the aerie and to his seat as president to Mr. Tozier, who, though not yet wholly recovered, thanked the speaker and other brothers in a most courtly and affecting manner. Other members spoke feelingly of the sorrow that had pervaded every heart at news of the president's late serious condition and of the turning of sorrow into joy when it had passed out from the sick room that the darkest hour had passed.

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and the dawn of prolonged life was breaking.

Appropriate music and delicate refreshments were served, the occasion being voted the most pleasant of all meetings held in the history of the local aerie.

ASYLUM FOR INSANE

Will-Be Fitted Up at Once by Government.

Dawson has long been in need of some place of confinement for insane people where the proper treatment can be given them and at the same time where they can have separate apartments for themselves. Up to the present time they have been confined in the police jail which is conceded by all connected with it to be very unsuitable for them. Last spring at the opening of navigation there were confined in the jail ten insane people and at the present time there are four. Sometimes they raise such a disturbance at night that it is impossible for any of the other inmates of the building to get any sleep and their yells can be heard for quite a distance. The building erected by Col. Word, the promoter of the water company, as one of their stations, situated in the police square but which has not been in use for some time has been procured by Major Wood and will be converted into an asylum.

It is not a very large building, but will answer the requirements of present needs. Work of remodeling has already begun and it is expected to be ready for occupancy within a week.

The water tank on the top will be removed and the lumber used in fitting up the interior which will be made into ten compartments giving to the inmates plenty of room. Everything will be done to make it as comfortable as possible.

The building is just back of the sergeants' mess in the police square and is in close proximity to the barracks and will have the careful supervision of the police. An exercise ground will be partitioned off so that they will get plenty of fresh air and exercise. Their food will be served to them from the barracks messhouse and carried to them.

They will have proper medical attendance and everything will be done possible to benefit their mental and physical condition. Their removal from the jail into a separate building will be of great benefit not only to themselves but to the prisoners as well.

Murderer's Confession.
Brazil, Ind., Feb. 14.—During services conducted by an evangelist here last night, James Todd confessed himself a thief and a murderer. He had been attending the revival for several nights, and it had been noticed that he wept throughout the services. Finally he signified a purpose of becoming a member of the church, and after the services visited the evangelist and made a confession, which startled the minister. Todd related that he had led a wild career for many years in Texas. He had stolen 98 horses and killed three men, but he repented his sins. He requested the evangelist to make known his confession to the world, saying that he was willing to answer for his crimes.

Manila Harbor.
Manila, Feb. 11.—Bids will be advertised for in a few days for harbor improvements at Manila for which \$1,000,000 of insular funds have been appropriated. The improvements will consist chiefly in an extension of the breakwater which the Spaniards had nearly completed, and dredging inside to a depth of 30 feet. Major Craighill is in charge of the work planned. Government wharves will eliminate the use of cascos between the shore and the distant anchorages of ships.

The United States forces have captured, since September, 15 cannon, 1500 rifles, thousands of bolos and 90,000 cartridges. Besides this, 700 rifles have been surrendered. The orders of insurgent officials will no longer be considered to mitigate crimes.

Beef, Chechako, 33c by the side, at P. O. Market, Third street.

Round steak 50c at P. O. Market.

HEAVY MACHINERY

Ordered by McDonald & Grant For Chechako Claim.

For the past six weeks there has been a steady moving of machinery from Dawson to the creeks until now there are comparatively few boilers left in town and most of them are contracted for. In the last two weeks the McDonald Iron Works have cast 12 hoist engines for different parties and have on hand contracts for a number of others. Their plant is running day and night repairing old machinery and building new.

The largest single plant and the only one of its kind ever brought into the country has been ordered by Alex McDonald and Grant for their claim on Chechako Hill. It is a quadruplex, centrifugal pumping plant driven by a 200-horse power compound condensing engine with power to pump water from the mouth of Adams creek to the top of Chechako Hill, a distance of 350 feet and work three sluice heads. It will be placed on the point where Adams creek flows into the Bonanza and the work of blasting the rock preparatory to laying the foundation will be shortly commenced.

The plant complete weighs over 25 tons and is expected to arrive in Dawson the latter part of the month so as to be put up before the thaw.

COMING AND GOING.

T. C. Healy, who arrived from the outside yesterday evening, is confined to his room seriously ill. Last night and this morning he was attended by a physician. It is hoped that he will be around again in a few days.

The curling club is improving the opportunity afforded by the present moderate weather and from one to three contests are being played nightly.

The stamperers are still coming in and keep the employees in the gold commissioner's office busy. Yesterday and this morning there were 50 applications for property on Ophir creek received and over 100 from other creeks. The recent throwing open of the reserves will be of great benefit to the country and will aid in its rapid development.

There will be a regular meeting of the Yukon council Thursday night. The money order department of the postoffice sold over \$3000 worth of money orders today before 10 o'clock.

The Paris Strike.
Paris, Feb. 12.—The striking tailors and dressmakers had another meeting this afternoon; about 600 were present. It was announced that many of the big houses refused to release the girls at lunch hour to prevent their taking part in the meeting. The strikers thereupon decided to march in procession through the Rue de la Paix and call on the working people to leave the work shops in spite of their employers.

The strikers on emerging into the street singing "La Marseillaise," were met by the police, who dispersed them after several conflicts, during which a number of working girls were roughly handled. Several tailors who interposed were bruised and arrested.

The police superintendent had to severely reprimand his men.

Headless Body.
Columbus, Ohio, Feb. 13.—The headless body of a man was found in a vault in the rear of Charles Henson's saloon early today. The body had been badly hacked by a knife, the head, however, being cleanly severed. There was no clue to the identity of the dead man.

Embezzlers Arrested.
Chicago, Feb. 12.—John F. Kern and Alfred Foley were arrested yesterday on the charge of embezzling \$10,000 from Fleming, Revell & Co., book publishers. Both men confessed to the crime with which they are charged and to other charges.

MEETING A FROST

Was It For or Was It Against Municipal Incorporation

IS QUESTION IT FAILED TO ANSWER.

Of the Making of Speeches There Was No End.

McKINNON AFRAID OF YANKS.

'Melica Man' Mead Don't Want Finger in Pie—'Black' Sullivan's Place Filled.

It was an insipid crowd of indifferent people that packed the chilled and desolate Orpheum last night, the ostensible occasion being the holding of a pro-incorporation meeting, but the quality of the meeting was hard to determine as but little enthusiasm was manifested on either side of the question, the majority of those present acting as though they had come simply for the purpose of finding seats. Three speeches or rather "epiols," each 30 minutes long were made besides a number of short talks. The ubiquitous drunken man occupied a front seat and taking it all in all it was a typical meeting at which the convenors looked as though they were wondering "What are we here for, anyway?"

When president of a previously appointed committee on incorporation, C. M. Woodworth, called the meeting to order at 8:30 o'clock every seat in the "regenerator" was occupied, but it is doubtful if on the first floor there were 2000 men who would pay taxes on any other than a poll system. On calling the meeting to order the chairman invited the various members of the incorporation and other friends of the movement to seats on the stage, which invitation was accepted by J. H. Falconer, Col. MacGregor, Elgin Shoff, Joe Clarke and one or two others who were remarkable for their silence during the meeting. Later Councilman Alex Froudhomme came in and to the rhythm of a few faint cheers took his seat upon the stage. This being the first public meeting held in Dawson during King Edward's reign "God Save the King" was sung.

Chairman Woodworth stated that the object of the meeting was to hear the report of the committee appointed at a previous meeting to take the necessary steps leading up to incorporation. The committee had been diligent in performing its duties up to the stage of receiving a hearing from the Yukon council, at which stage it had run its automobile against a stump, so to speak, as the council had declined to treat with it in any way on the ground that the voice of the taxpayers of Dawson had been voiced in a petition previously received and setting forth that incorporation is not desired.

The chairman read from a nicely compiled report in which showing \$70,000 for liquor permits, \$60,000 for liquor licenses and a few other such conservative amounts on the credit side.

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