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When Considerable Business is Transacted.

VIOLATOR OF LAW REFUSED LICENSE.

Forks Hotel Keepers Ask License Reduction from \$2000 to \$1000.

Will Convene Tonight to Consider Petition of Citizens' Committee—Road Matter Is Referred—Wiley's Telephone Franchise Progressing.

A special meeting of the Yukon council was held on Saturday, March 3d, the commissioner presiding.

Present: Messrs. Ogilvie, Senkler, Girouard, Clement, Dugas, Perry.

A petition was received through the acting license inspector, from H. H. Pitts, and other residents of Fort Selkirk, praying for the renewal of a liquor license to Mr. Wade Blaker. The communication accompanying the petition stated that Mr. Blaker had been refused a license on account of having been convicted on three occasions for breaches of the liquor ordinance during the past year. The council approved of the license inspector's action in refusing the license.

A petition was received from the hotel keepers of Grand Forks praying for the reduction of the license fee of \$2000 to \$1000. The clerk was instructed to refer the petition to the license inspector, asking what licenses are in force at Grand Forks, when they expire, and further information respecting roadhouses and hotels and his recommendation in regard to the petition.

A communication was received from A. W. Robinson tendering for the construction of the proposed winter road to connect Upper Dominion with the government highway, near the Dome, and a communication was received from H. B. Mitchell, tendering for the work of building the above road, and also one on Last Chance creek. Referred to the committee on Public works for action.

A communication was received from S. Running asking for compensation for a cabin which was removed by the sheriff last summer from the Klondike. No action.

A communication was received from the comptroller, accompanied by an account of \$25 from H. H. Hurdman for medical attendance on R. B. Switzer. No action.

A communication was received from Messrs. Patrick & Ridley on behalf of Maria Ferguson tendering for the numbering of the buildings and residences in Dawson pursuant to the ordinance granted in her favor respecting a business directory for Dawson. Referred to the municipal committee.

A communication was received from the secretary of the citizen's committee of the Yukon territory, accompanied by two petitions addressed to his excellency the governor general in council, praying for the enforcement of that portion of the act amending the Yukon territory's act which provides for the election of two members to the Yukon council and stating that the committee desires that the petition which the council endorsed should be telegraphed to Ottawa.

Moved that consideration be given to the question at the next meeting of council.

A communication was received from the legal adviser giving it as his opinion that the council has power to enact legislation respecting the work of the placer mines, looking to the insuring of protection to the workmen.

A communication was received from the legal adviser in respect to taxation

ordinance. Referred to the finance committee.

Moved by Major Perry, seconded by Mr. Senkler.

Resolved, That the legal adviser be instructed to draft an ordinance upon the lines provided in the municipal ordinance, part 3, of the Northwest territories, entitled "The assessment and collection of taxes."

A communication was received from the legal adviser in reply to a reference to him by council of the inapplicability of the billiard ordinance.

Moved by Mr. Justice Dugas, seconded by Mr. Senkler.

Resolved, That the legal adviser be instructed to prepare an ordinance respecting the licenses for billiard tables.

A communication was received from Samuel Word in respect to his application for a water franchise. Referred to the committee on private bills.

A communication was received from J. Wiley in respect to his application for a telephone charter. Referred to the private bills committee.

The council then adjourned until Monday, the 5th inst., at 8 p. m., at which time the petition of the citizens committee will be considered.

THE JACK WADE LITIGATION FORREST IS NOW ON TRIAL

Has Been Favorably Concluded For Dealing Marked Cards at Sitka, Alaska.

And the Claims Lately in Dispute Constables Booth and Cunningham Are the Principal Witnesses for the Crown—Case Begun Today

During the present winter many unfavorable reports have been received here from Jack Wade creek. Readers of the Nugget will remember of the litigation which involved the titles to claims Nos 1, 3a, fraction on 3a, 4, fraction on 4, 5, and the fraction on 5, all above lower discovery. An injunction was issued at Sitka by Judge Johnson restraining any development work on these properties. In December of last year, while the claim owners and laymen were busily engaged in winter operations, the writs of injunction were served, and all work on the claims in dispute was immediately discontinued. The miners against whom the restraining orders had been issued, delegated Messrs. Steelsmith and Kemp to go to Sitka for the purpose of contesting the legal proceedings. On the 14th of last month, a telegram was received at Dawson, and immediately dispatched by private carrier to Jack Wade creek, which contained the information that the injunctions had been dissolved. Mining operations have been resumed on the properties, recently in litigation, and the output from these claims will augment considerably this season's product of Jack Wade.

Pay dirt has been found recently on lower discovery and on Nos. 1, 6 and 11 above lower discovery. Messrs. Falcon Joslyn and J. H. McCourt have struck it rich on No. 1 above upper discovery, No. 7 above lower discovery, owned by Messrs. Scherer, Hefley and Austin, is being worked with machinery. The owners of this claim have crossed the pay streak, the width of which is 80 feet. The largest and probably the richest dump on the creek will be washed by the owners of No. 7.

At present there are about 150 men on Jack Wade, most of whom are laymen and owners. About 15 men are employed as miners on No. 7 above lower discovery; and the ruling wages on the creek are \$1 per hour. The Cape Nome district has attracted a few who were wintering on Wade.

Messrs. A. S. Shannon and J. H. McCourt arrived in Dawson Sunday. Both gentlemen are heavily interested in Jack Wade properties. In speaking of the district, Mr. McCourt said:

"Affairs on Jack Wade are looking better now than at any time since the creek was discovered. The injunctions which restrained work on some of the richer properties have been dissolved, and work on these claims have now been resumed. The creek is being developed slowly; but the results are satisfactory to claim owners. I should say that there are 33 properties which have prospected well; and some of these have developed into paying propositions. Just before I left, Dudley McKinney secured a \$43 50 pan from his fraction on No. 4 above lower, and No. 6 above lower is proving to be as rich as No. 7.

"We are somewhat inconvenienced by the recent enforcement of the United States tariff regulations. All importations from Canadian territory are assessed, and it makes no difference whether or not such importations are of American or Canadian manufacture. The trail from Wade to Eagle is impassable now, and our depot for supplies is Fortymile post."

Messrs. McCourt and Shannon are on their way to the outside. They expect to return to Jack Wade early next summer.

The case of the Queen vs. Thomas Forrest is now on trial before Justice Dugas and a jury in the territorial court. The prisoner is accused of cheating with marked cards. The crime is alleged to have been committed on November 10th, 1899, at the Aurora gambling room, at which place the defendant was dealing black jack. This morning was occupied in hearing the testimony of Constables Booth and Cunningham of the N. W. M. P. force, who are the principal witnesses for the Crown. Constable Cunningham is the police officer who played at the prisoner's game and secured the cards, which are said to be marked. Under the cross-examination of Attorney McCaul neither of the witnesses appeared to advantage.

The defense of the prisoner is that the cards were not marked to his knowledge; and that Booth and Cunningham instigated the present criminal action after endeavoring to blackmail the accused and several of his friends. The trial will not be concluded till sometime tomorrow.

McNabb Getting There.

Walter McNabb, who left here several weeks ago for Nome, has been heard from by a message to Tom Chisholm to this effect: "McNabb was met below Fort Yukon; he was in his shirt sleeves, going like —, and his dogs were all barking." From this it is evident that McNabb will probably reach Nome.

PAUL BORDMAN'S COW

Will Dance the Next Set In Territorial Court.

NOT IN JURISDICTION OF POLICE COURT.

George Cantwell Wants Pay for Orpheum's Trouble-Killer.

Whiskey in a Witness Impedes Justice—Ate Up His Bill—Partners on Sulphur Wield an Ax and Talk of Hearts, Livers and Such Things.

Major Perry, having returned from a five days' trip to Dominion, occupied the judicial chair in police court this morning.

The first case on trial was that of F. W. Stacy vs. Johnson for \$12.50 labor, performed on the latter's claim. After two days and a half's work Stacy was discharged, but during the following six days he boarded with his former employer who in court this morning presented a counter claim for board amounting, at \$2 25 per day, to \$13 50. As Stacy did not deny the correctness of the board bill, the case was dismissed at his costs and he emerged from the court room wondering who he was and where he got off.

Wm. Crabb charged by Jas. E. Wilson with stealing one set of doubletrees to the value of \$10, was in court and ready for trial, but Wilson asked a postponement of the case on the ground that his principal witness was drunk and not in condition to appear in court. He thought he would be sufficiently sober by 4 o'clock this afternoon, to which hour the case was continued. Crabb, who is out on bond, did not appear to feel that he will have any trouble in establishing his innocence.

For some time past Paul Bordman's dancing cow at the Orpheum has been a source of unmingled delight and unalloyed pleasure to the boys. Unlike the cows that, after serving humanity as milk producers for from 9 to 17 years, are shipped to Dawson and a Jd, all except the horns, hoofs and hides, as "choice cuts" at six bits per pound, Bordman's cow did not come high. Only \$50 was the price of this mirth producer, and when it is considered that she has the power to tell dull care to "fly away mit yourself," and to cause many a man to forget for fully five minutes at a stretch that he has

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