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All the News The Day It Happens

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WORK OF BOARD COMPLETED

Equalizers Dispose of Their Labors so Far as Hearing Testimony is Concerned—Number of Cases Under Adjudication—Decisions Will Be Announced Later.

The board of revision after sitting for the past eight days completed its work last night and there remains only the handing down of a number of decisions in the more important cases in which decision has been rendered and the work of the assessor for the current year will be finished. The total reduction will amount to a matter of conjecture. It will be granted those who have been assessed one per cent, and possibly the amount necessary to carry out municipal affairs for the ensuing year estimated at \$120,000. The first case taken up last night was that of T. G. Wilson, who applied for the assessment on his personal property at \$250,000. Until August 15, when he moved into his new room, no stock book was kept. On that date his goods on hand were valued at \$82,358. In January he had probably \$100,000 worth of stock. During month of August he sold goods to the amount of \$10,000 and imported \$128,725. In September he sold \$92,885 and received \$100. Since that date he has received between \$18,000 and \$20,000 additional, his sales for the same month amounting to \$75,000 or \$80,000. The greatest stock ever on hand was more than \$174,000. The value of stock was in May last—\$100,000. The total amount of goods imported this year aggregates about \$1,000,000. Has no other personal property other than the stock in his hands. Reserved.

The adjourned case of the N. C. Co. followed. Mr. McGowan going into and minutely into details concerning the goods imported by his company as shown by the books of the customs department. A letter was read from Collector of Customs Harris in which he said he had carefully checked up the books showing imports and found the statements made by himself at the previous meeting to be absolutely correct. Mr. Davis also explained that the sum of \$60,000 which he said represented the duty paid by the N. C. Co. during the present year extended back to October 1, 1900, included a large amount of duty paid during the winter upon goods in the bonded warehouse which had been imported the previous season, and also duty paid by the A. C. Co. prior to the amalgamation. There at present was \$200,000 worth of goods in the bonded warehouse upon which there was \$45,000 due in duty payable when the articles were taken out. Mr. McGowan contended that the duty should not be assessed until the same is paid. His company has a right to ship out goods at the opening of navigation, returning them to the stations on the lower river if it is so desired and thus escape paying any duty, the articles not being sold or distributed here. Dawson has better facilities for storing goods than any other point and heavy shipments are not infrequently made early in the spring before the river is open at St. Michael. The goods now in the bonded warehouse will not be taken out until spring and some will doubtless be returned down the river.

Concerning the sale of the A. C. Co. to the present company. The transfer is dated April 6, and it actually took place July 18, including in addition to the stock and real estate in Dawson the stock and store at Fortymile, and all other stations in Alaska, plant at St. Michael and Nome, shipyards at Andreafast, and the steamers and barges, good will, etc., the consideration being \$2,750,000. At the time of Manager Mizner's departure for the outside he carried with him to the home office a detailed statement of the stock on hand prepared from the company's books by O. S. Lanning, chief accountant, which showed the total stock October 1 to have been \$1,480,400. Sales during the month amounted to \$325,000. Mr. Lanning identified a press copy of the statement taken out by Mr. Mizner, saying he had made it at the manager's request.

P. Charmon was sworn. Is a customs broker and has acted as same all season for the N. C. Co. Was for two years formerly chief clerk in the customs department under Mr. Davis. Identifies and attests to the correctness of the schedule made by the collector. Was with Mr. Davis during the day and assisted in checking up the books. Everything imported during the season by the N. C. Co. had been checked by witness as customs broker. Mr. Davis' figures as to the good in the bonded warehouse were correct. Canadian goods imported during the year amounted to \$200,000. He placed a total value of \$625,000 upon the year's importations upon which \$200,000 freight should be added and the approximate figures previously given in evidence concerning the firm's imports would be arrived at.

F. A. Medoret, stock clerk, testified that all goods received have been entered in the stock book, including the method of figuring out costs was shown also invoices as received from the home office. The system maintained here is as perfect as could be desired.

L. R. Fulda reiterated statements previously made concerning the value of the buildings, had looked over them again and saw no reason for changing his opinion. W. H. Fairbanks considered a deduction of 25 per cent. for profits very fair, though he was sure the end



TEDDY AND BOOKER WILL EAT.

FUNERAL OF MRS. SOGGS

To Be Held Tomorrow at Green's Undertaking Parlor.

The funeral of Mrs. Amelia L. Soggs, who died yesterday morning at St. Mary's hospital, will be held tomorrow at Green's undertaking parlor. The deceased was taken ill three weeks ago and for ten days was cared for in the tenderest manner possible at the Soggs' home on the Klondike. About a week ago her condition became so serious that upon the advice of the attending physicians, Drs. McArthur and Cassell, she was removed to the hospital. Every care and attention possible was administered to the sick woman but without avail.

Mrs. Soggs was born at Chikotla, Ohio, and while still a young girl her parents removed to Lima, New York. While living there she first met Mr. Soggs, and on October 8, 1878, the two were married. One child was born of the union but died in infancy. In 1888 Mr. and Mrs. Soggs removed to Binghamton, New York, where they remained until the Klondike excitement occurred, when Mr. Soggs joined in the first rush to Dawson, reaching this place in the fall of 1897. His wife remained in Binghamton until June of this year, when she joined her husband in Dawson. She enjoyed the few months she was here exceedingly, and though suffering from a complication of diseases to which she has been subjected for several years, she seemed at first to improve under the stimulating influence of our healthful and invigorating summer climate.

She was a member of the Methodist Episcopal church, and the funeral services will be conducted by the Rev. Hetherington, pastor of the local M. E. church. Mr. Soggs was preparing to spend the winter on Mint creek, where he had built and furnished a cabin. He is well known as having been one of the pioneer jewelers of Dawson and possesses many friends, all of whom join in extending to him their warmest sympathy in his hour of sad bereavement.

45 Gold Run. Messrs. Whalley and Skinner, who are working a lay on No. 45 Gold Run, are hard at work drifting on the claim and have begun already taking out pay dirt. They have been drifting for a week and state that they have made very satisfactory progress. They boys are hard workers and before spring will have out a good, big dump. They have a cosy cabin on the claim, and before starting their operations for the winter made every possible preparation. They have everything necessary in the way of an outfit for winter and expect to shove 45 up among the big producers on Gold Run before the clean up arrives again. Send a copy of Goetzman's Souvenir to outside friends. A complete pictorial history of Klondike. For sale at all news stands. Price \$2.50.

FREIGHTERS ARE ANXIOUS

For Sufficient Snow to Flake the Roads More Passable.

Considerable apprehension is felt by the freighters at present over the outlook for good roads during the winter. At present the roads are practically bare of snow, the only sledging between Dawson and Dominion, Sulphur or Gold Run, being a few miles on the north side of the Dome. There is no snow on the road between Dawson and Grand Forks and none between Dawson and Gold Bottom on the Hunker road. A week ago there was snow from the Dome to Gold Run, but a gentleman who came in yesterday on a wheel says that portion of the road is now bare.

Freighting by wagon is laborious work with the roads in their present condition, they being very rough in some places and slippery in others, four horses or mules, being required to transport what on bobs on a good road would be only half a load for one team. It is feared by some that, owing to the advanced season, the weather may suddenly turn too cold to snow and that the roads may be left in their present laborious condition for the winter, thus precluding all possibility of conveying heavy machinery from Dawson to the distant creeks.

FOUND—Vest memo book with papers, belonging to D. H. Holder. Apply Nugget. SEE SVENGLI AT NEW SAVOY.

"DEL MONTE" J. W. Marchbank, Proprietor. Drinks and Cigars - 25 Cents Only First-Class Goods Carried in Stock. First Street Opp. Yukon Dock

NOMINATIONS WERE MADE

For New A. B. Officers at Last Night's Meeting.

At a meeting of Camp Dawson, No. 4, Arctic Brotherhood, held last night nominations of candidates to be elected next Tuesday night to fill the various offices for the ensuing term of six months were made as follows: Arctic Chief—Emil Mohr, C. E. McDonald, R. A. Kalenborn, John Gilson, J. A. Greene and E. B. Condon. Vice Arctic Chief—C. E. McDonald and Emil Mohr. Arctic Recorder—Dr. Edmunds. Keeper of Nuggets—J. A. Green. Camp Alchemist—F. A. Atwood. Camp Chaplain—Wm. Sheridan. Five trustees were also placed in nomination. The next meeting of the camp will be held in its new hall.

GOOD THING TO EAT

Can Be Obtained All Winter at a Small Cost. Lon Griffin of the Northern Cafe reports business to be better with him this fall than at the same period last year. "Whether this is due to the general reduction made by him in the prices on his bill of fare, or whether there is more money in circulation now than before, he is unable to say. At any rate times are good with him and he is satisfied with the future outlook. This winter, Mr. Griffin says, will show more variety of fresh vegetables and fine meats in the restaurants of Dawson than has been seen in the history of the country. Fresh Lowney's candies. Kelly & Co., druggists.

NOT SO COLD AS IT FEELS

Official Thermometer Marked Above This Morning. After walking four or five blocks in the wind this morning a cheecko who arrived on the Emma Knott—20 days from Texas, 10 to Whitehorse and 10 from there on to Dawson, offered to bet me that the river would slow before night. He was taken in today by a friend before some sour dough bread him. Although this has been the most disagreeable day of the early winter, it has been owing to the strong north wind that has blown continuously since shortly after midnight. Sergeant-Major Tucker's never ending official instrument this morning showed the degree of cold to be four above zero or one degree warmer than yesterday morning, the coldest of the season when it was down to three above. On the 15th of last January the mercury instrument showed the weather to be just 72 degrees colder than it was this morning. This statement is not made to discourage late arrivals who felt cold this morning, but merely for the reason that it is a true-a cold fact, so to speak.

SECRETARY OF STATE

Honorable John Hay Acknowledges Dawson's Telegram. Upon the "last mail" Mr. Justice Dugas, as chairman of the meeting held by the citizens of Dawson for the purpose of sending the condolence of the people of the Yukon to Mrs. McKinley upon her recent great bereavement, received the following acknowledgment from Secretary of State Hay. The letter bears the autograph signature of the secretary, the paper and envelope being surrounded by a border of the deepest black. Department of State, September 28, 1901. Dawson, Y. T. Sir,—Among the many messages of grief, and of sympathy with Mrs. McKinley and the other members of the late President's family in their overwhelming trouble, received by the Government and acknowledged by me on their account, and among the multiplying expressions of profound respect for President McKinley's unselfish devotion and great service to his country, together with a wide and increasing testimony to his exalted character and gracious personality, from every part of the United States—indeed from all parts of the world—I have the honor to acknowledge with sentiments of sincere appreciation, your telegram of the 21st inst. I am, Sir, your obedient servant, JOHN HAY.

Subscription Reduced

Beginning October 16th the subscription of the Daily Nugget will be reduced to three dollars per month, delivered by carrier to any address within the limits of Dawson. This reduction is made by reason of the facilities which we now enjoy for turning out a modern up-to-date journal at a minimum cost, the Nugget now possessing a plant which cannot be excelled in any city of the world of a similar size. Our readers will notice that while we have reduced the price of the paper we have increased its size, and are now publishing an eight column metropolitan journal, equal in text, matter and typographical appearance to the up-to-date dailies on the outside. The Nugget will be delivered to your door for \$3.00 per month in the future.

CITY FIRE ALARM SYSTEM

Will Be Inaugurated as Soon as Certain Features Expected to Arrive Tomorrow Can Be Placed in Position—Will Be 16 Boxes Which Will Be Well Distributed.

Within the next two weeks Dawson will be equipped with as complete a fire alarm system as will be found in any city double the size throughout the Dominion. The boxes have been here for some time and would have been installed ere this had the indicators which go in both fire-halls likewise been on hand. Several weeks ago when it was decided to put in the system the additional apparatus needed was ordered at once from the outside, and word has been received that it is on the Flora and will arrive tomorrow. Immediately afterwards the boxes will be put up and the system will be in working order in a comparatively short time, thus affording much greater protection from fire. At present when a fire is discovered it is necessary to either carry the word to the fire department or send it in by telephone, in either event much valuable time is liable to be lost. With the new system all that will be necessary is to open the door of the little box and take down the hand phone from its hook. Releasing the hook sends in the alarm instantly; the indicator in each hall showing the number of the box from which the alarm has been sent. Each box has telephone connection with the fire halls so that if it is desired the exact location of a fire may be given, otherwise in responding to a call the department will repair directly to the box from which the alarm has been received. The phone connection from each box may also be of much service in being able to communicate directly with the fire halls during the progress of a fire. Each one of the autophones will be engaged in a small box painted red bearing the words "Fire Alarm," and will be fastened to convenient telephone poles. There will be 16 of the boxes, which will be distributed throughout the city, bringing every section within quick communication with the department. The location of the boxes and their numbers are as follows: No. 1—Bridge street and Eighth avenue. No. 2—Dugas street and Fifth avenue. No. 3—Northwest corner of Police Square. No. 4—Northwest corner Church street and Fifth avenue. No. 5—Northwest corner Harper street and Second avenue. No. 6—Northeast corner Princess street and Second avenue. No. 7—Southeast corner Queen street and Third avenue. No. 8—Northeast corner Queen street and Fifth avenue. No. 9—Southwest corner King street and Second avenue. No. 10—Northwest corner King street and Sixth avenue. No. 11—Northwest corner York street and Third avenue. No. 12—Southeast corner Duke street and First avenue. No. 13—Northwest corner Duke street and Sixth avenue. No. 14—Southeast corner Albert street and Third avenue. No. 15—Northwest corner Edward street and Second avenue. No. 16—Judge street on the bluff.

FLOURISHING BUSINESS WILL RESUME

Local Odd Fellows Take in Some Good People. In Water Company Circles at 9 O'Clock Tonight.

The lodge of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows recently instituted in Dawson is already beginning to extend its good influences and principles by lumbering on its membership roll many names of new members who are from the rank of Dawson's very best and most substantial men. At the last meeting Dr. Edwards, Dr. Sutherland, R. A. Kalenborn and J. L. Sale were initiated and at the meeting tonight five others will enter the lane that leads to Jericho. With the vast army of Odd Fellows already here from all parts of the States and Canada, the order can muster more members in Dawson than any other secret order. It is one "chain gang" to which it is an honor to belong.

Strange, isn't it? "Queen" she never got married. She's so capable and resourceful a woman—so earnest and forceful. "Is she?" "Oh, yes, indeed. She's the kind of a woman who can look out for herself. Why, she knocked a man down once when he tried to flirt with her. She took a horsewhip to a fellow who spoke of her in a derogatory manner, and she drove a peddler four blocks with a mop." "Yes, yes," he returned, thoughtfully, "it is strange that no one ever has seemed to want her for a wife, isn't it?"—Chicago Post.

NEW SAVOY PRESENTS "TRILBY" TONIGHT.

Ames Mercantile Co. Great Overcoat Sale... Men's Fur Coats in Astrachan, Persian Lamb, Russian Lamb, Walloby, Raccoon, Wombat, Marmot and Bulgarian Lamb. Handsome Fur Lined Beaver Cloth Coats, small sizes, \$33.00. Black Bulgarian Lamb Coats 30.00. A Great Special in Fur Coats at Ask for Our \$15 Storm Ulsters.