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KLONDIKE NUGGET.

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SHOULD BE FOLLOWED UP.

The city council costs the taxpayers of Dawson for salaries slightly over $1,000 per month. This amount in good hard cash must be forthcoming every thirty days to a body of men who are merely playing at the task of governing the town. On vital questions they have no powers and thus far have exhibited but little inclination to make a decided stand for their rights.

At last night's meeting, however, the spirit of opposition manifested itself, which, it is to be hoped, will be maintained until results accrue. Some of the members of the council are evidently tired of being bossed and bullied, and propose to find out to what extent they are forced to submit to such usage. The position of the council at the present time is most undignified. They meet and pass bylaws respecting matters of a trivial character while on questions of vital importance to the city they have no knowledge as to the moment when their actions will be vetoed and set aside.

Under any circumstances the cost of maintaining the city government is altogether too high, but when that cost is considered in the light of the fact that the city council has such little authority the situation as noted in these columns yesterday becomes absolutely absurd.

Councilman Murphy has taken a step in the proper direction which should be followed up to a definite outcome.

THE BENEFIT NUISANCE.

The benefit nuisance has grown apace. Scarcely a week has gone by during the past six months that has not witnessed a call upon the public to attend a benefit for some purpose or other. From vaudeville performers the benefit craze has spread to brokendown politicians. No wonder the public raises its hands in holy horror and cries "enough." Benefits are all right in their place and under proper circumstances worthy of patronage, but like anything else they may be run into the ground, and we submit that such is the case at the present time. Benefits for destitute persons or those who by reason of sudden misfortune have been temporarily placed in want are right and proper and it may be said are invariably well supported in Dawson. But in many of the alleged benefit entertainments that have been given public confidence has been woefully abused and consequently the very word "benefit" has become unpopular. With every deserving charitable undertaking the Nugget is in hearty sympathy and accord, but we submit that the benefit idea has been carried to excess.

Can it be possible that Col. McGregor will allow Minister Sifton to visit Dawson without calling a mass meeting and preparing a memorial for presentation? Shades of our immortalized agitators, whither are we of the Yukon drifting?

Ninety Miles an Hour

Chicago, July 12.—Reeling off 481 miles in 460 minutes, the "Twentieth Century Limited," on the Lake Shore and Michigan Southeastern road today smashed records for fast running on that system and verified assertions made by officials that a sixteen hours' schedule could, if necessary, be maintained between Chicago and New York. The train, forty-five miles west of Buffalo, was two hours and twenty-eight minutes behind its schedule and the engineers were given a clear track and ordered to make their best time over the various divisions.

The speed at times reached ninety miles an hour.

The train arrived at the Grand Central station, this city, twenty-eight minutes late.

SULPHUR IS ALL RIGHT

Correspondent Agrees With Recent Story

Creek Which Long Suffered a Black Eye Now Looks Very Good.

Dawson, July 22d, 1902.

Editor Nugget:—

Referring to an interview with Ronald Morrison, recently published in the Nugget, to the effect that whatever good may be said of mining on Dominion creek may fittingly be said of Sulphur creek, I will say that Mr. Morrison's views exactly coincide with my own experience and knowledge of those creeks. They are each long and the pay streak has not yet been located for the full length of either of them, but it will be in time.

For three years Sulphur creek has been under a cloud, nevertheless mining has been going on there steadily and with very good results. In fact there have been no disastrous failures on Sulphur creek lately. The mine owners there have paid their men and are paying as good wages today as any other creek in the camp. Laymen there have also done fairly well, and the pay streak has been uncovered up in the sixties above discovery and way down below discovery. At the time when prices were much higher than they are now, Charley Armstrong worked No. 65 above discovery with very satisfactory results, and No. 64 was worked later by J. C. Hendrix of the Oregon store and it was also worked this last year by some Swede boys from Bonanza creek, and with better results.

The following from "The Silent Pioneer" would seem to apply very well to Sulphur creek: "It's a long lane that ain't got no turn in whatsomever, and I've noticed this all my life—the longer she is before she does turn, the bigger turn she makes when she finally gets to it."

As a result of hard-pan mining and economy, Sulphur creek has "finally got to it," and from this time on will be a steady producer.

Signed, X.

Meeker—Did you tell the cook that I kicked about the roast at dinner last night?

Mrs. Meeker—Yes.

Meeker—What did she say?

Mrs. Meeker—She said I might inform you, with her compliments, that there were no strings tied to you, and if her cooking didn't suit you it was up to you to take your meals elsewhere.

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MUNICIPAL FATHERS

Held Lengthy Meeting Last Night

Murphy is Tired of Playing at Governing City—Free Library is Wabbling.

At the meeting of the city council last night the session was quite as long as that of the week previous, it being after midnight when the final adjournment was taken. During the four hours the city fathers were together much business was transacted, though the bulk of the time was taken up by the reading section by section of the fire and pound bylaws. Near the close of the session Murphy's notice of motion re the police system created a mild sensation, it being sprung as a surprise, no one knowing it was coming. Among several of the aldermen there is a growing belief that the council has been playing at governing the city long enough and that it is about time to take the reins into their own hands or know the reason why such can not be done. They believe, and not without reason, that since the city has been incorporated they have been mere puppets and powerless to do anything without the consent of the real power behind the throne. That condition of affairs it is now proposed to change if it is within human power and Murphy's motion is presumed to be the entering wedge which will mark the reconstruction era.

Among the petitions and communications received was one from Miss Crowley who has a residence on Third avenue between York and Duke streets. While that portion of Third avenue was being graded a rock was accidentally hurled through her front door and the council is asked to make reparation for the damage done.

The free library is apparently in the last throes of dissolution and if the council does not come to its rescue it will have to go out of business. A letter was read from A. F. Nicol, president of the association, which stated that at a meeting of the board of control held last week it was unanimously decided that the city should have full control of the library. The total cost of its maintenance during the past twelve months was slightly under $5,000, a part of which, however, had been spent for new books. Under existing arrangements the library is supposed to receive a cash subsidy of $300 a month from the city, but as the treasury has been more or less depleted ever since the child Dawson was born the library has been unable to draw any salary for many months. The communication states that unless the library is recognized officially by the city it will have to close. The matter was allowed to rest for the time being but later in the evening his worship again brought the question up. Practically the entire benefit, he said, was derived by the miners who come in from the creeks. As the matter now stands the city pays the bill, which is unjust as the territory at large receives as much if not more use from the institution than does the city alone. He would like to see the association kept up but it was asking too much to expect the city to support it. Wilson suggested appointing a committee to wait upon the comptroller to see if some assistance could not be had from the territory. It was agreed and his worship remarked he would be glad to act on such committee. Norquay was named as the other member.

George White-Fraser offered some timely suggestions to the city engineer in regard to the installation of the water system that has been agreed upon. He considers that the route chosen over the streets should be so laid out that repairs can be effected without interrupting traffic; the valves should be in line and all on the same side and he advises that the ends of the mains be connected. The utmost precaution should be taken in laying the mains so as to prevent their freezing in the winter. An alarm system should be installed connecting the fire department with the pumping station so that in the event of a serious fire the engineer in charge could be at once notified of a desire for more pressure.

A petition signed by a number of merchants on Second and Third avenues asked that they be allowed twenty inches of the sidewalk upon which to display their goods.

D. A. Matheson protested against the way in which some of the city ditches were being utilized by certain people. Waste water percolates into the boxes which surround the water mains with the result that it is almost impossible to keep them from freezing in the winter time. His company was at an expense last spring of over $3000 in thawing out pipes and putting them in condition for use.

Property owners along Craig street that portion which is used by all the heavy traffic leading to the creeks, have petitioned to have their street graded and macadamized. In the spring and fall it is very muddy and at present the dust is intolerable.

The following new bills were presented:

N. G. Cox	$ 70.25
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Dawson Water Co.	49.40
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Electric Light Co.	39.00
Klondike Mill Co.	220.38
Locy & Gibson	19.30
Dawson Hardware Co.	3.25
Canadian Yukon Lumber Co.	47.82
A. Vogee	2.00
Yukon Saw Mill Co.	1122.48

Tenders for making the fill on Second avenue were submitted, after which the finance committee filed its report recommending the payment of the following bills:

Electric Light Co.	$ 82.80
Electric Light Co.	49.50
N. D. T. Co.	19.00
Joseph Menard	4.00
N. A. T. & T. Co.	18.25
Locy & Gibson	19.30
Dawson Hardware Co.	46.68
McLennan & McFeely	125.25

Alderman Murphy introduced a bylaw providing for the licensing and impounding of dogs and Alderman Norquay presented one respecting contagious diseases.

In the filing of reports that of the streets committee having been overlooked the rules were suspended in order that it might be presented. In it Chairman Wilson stated that pursuant to request his committee had interviewed the laundries on Second avenue about which so much complaint had been made in reference to the manner in which they disposed of their waste water. Three of the four laundries situated between Duke and York streets had agreed to contribute toward the construction of a box drain to connect with the Duke street sewer, which the city engineer had estimated would cost $450. The Cascade laundry would contribute $200, the Union $100 and the Sanatarium bath house $100. The Rainier would not promise any support. The report was adopted and it was decided to proceed forthwith with the building of the drain. The Rainier will be compelled to contribute its share otherwise it will have to build its own drain independent of the one now about to be put in.

Insurance matters, the Second avenue fill, street railway franchises and the disposition of delinquent taxes came in for considerable discussion. Murphy offered a resolution that the city engineer and the fire chief be instructed to procure requisitions from the city clerk for all material before the same is purchased by them, the city clerk to keep a duplicate of each one. Vachon moved that a notice be published requiring transient traders, cigar stores and others to at once take out their licenses as per the schedules agreed upon in the license bylaw.

During the informal talk about the Second avenue drain his worship took occasion to complain of the manner in which some of the Third avenue restaurants utilize the street. He said he had frequently seen dishwashers throw kitchen water out on the street and he desired such operations to cease at once.

The widening of the road around the bluff leading to the Ogilvie bridge came up for a moment's discussion but it was considered that was a matter for the territorial government to handle.

Quick action was taken on the petition from the property owners on Craig street who asked that their thoroughfare be graded and macadamized. Adair moved that the city clerk be instructed to advertise for bids for 600 yards of grading material and top dressing. Murphy opposed the motion, not that he was against the improvement but he desired to ascertain that it was needed before the expense was incurred. On the vote both Murphy and Macdonald voted nay, the other members supporting the motion.

The fire bylaw was then taken up section by section and with few amendments was passed. The guage that shall be used in the construction of stovepipes still stands at No. 24. The following has been determined upon as the conflagration district, as recommended by Chief Lester: All that land and premises comprised within the following boundaries, namely: Commencing at the Yukon river where the westerly limit of George street produced would intersect the same; thence along George street to Second avenue; thence along Second avenue to Edward street; thence along Edward street to Third avenue; thence along Third avenue to Albert street; thence along Albert street to Third avenue; thence along Third avenue to York street; thence along York street to Fourth avenue; thence along Fourth avenue to Church street; thence along Church street to Fifth avenue; thence along Fifth avenue to Craig street; thence along Craig street to the Yukon river; and thence along the easterly limit of the Yukon river to the place of commencement. No person shall construct or cause to be constructed within the said conflagration district any building having a common party wall with any other building.

The bylaw for the impounding of animals other than dogs, which is separate from the dog bylaw, reached its final reading and was passed. J. E. Wilson's barn was designated as the official pound. The pound keeper, who will be appointed at the next meeting, will receive a fee of $2.50 for each quadruped impounded and is allowed $2.50 a day for feeding them.

Murphy's motion re the police system was the last thing to come before the council and it gave the members and his worship something to think over, after an adjournment was taken.

To Examine Titles.

Oyster Bay, N.Y., July 14.—Senator Spooner, of Wisconsin, arrived at Sagamore Hill about half-past 10 o'clock last night and after a conference with the president and Secretary Root, left for New York about midnight.

Mr. Spooner successfully eluded newspaper men, not one of whom saw him. His conversation with the president related in part to the purchase of the Panama Canal Company's property. The senator has been invited by the department of justice to accompany Attorney General Knox to assist in the investigation of the title to the Panama Canal Company's property. Whether he will go or not has been decided, so far as can be learned here. President Roosevelt, Secretary Root and the president's physician, Dr. Lamb, devoted themselves part of the day to recreation.

A Woman's Naked Soul.

"Such a book as the one written by Mary MacLane," said Tim, "never could have been written or conceived by a woman in the east. Only a life spent in a barren town in the west could have given a woman the power to write such a book. A reader of this book will see the soul of a woman laid bare. But people will probably have the nerve and courage to read it, or the ability to understand."

Exactly. The reader sees the soul of a woman laid bare. And what man wants men or angels to see a naked soul?

The innate modesty that leads a woman to shield her body from public gaze ought to move her to draw a veil over her inmost being. Surely ought she to hide what is morbid and erotic.—Kansas City World.

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