NUMEROUS PETITIONS

Council Flooded With Communications

Attention Called to the Necessity of Establishing Permanent Street Corners.

At the meeting of the city council last night City Clerk Smith was kept busy reading communications for nearly a half hour, so many were there on file, the accumulation of two weeks. Petitions and such have troubled the council but very little of late, which makes the flood of yesterday evening all the more inexplicable.

One of the first to be read was from Ernest Lutro who is the owner of lots 11 and the east half of 12, block H, Menzie's addition, at the northwest corner of Eighth avenue and Harper street, who complains that the overflow from the lots on the upper side of the avenue is rapidly eating away and undermining his residence and also another house situated on the same lots. His property is being destroyed and he earnestly requests the council to construct some drains in order that the water may be directed in another direction away from his dwellings.

Two tenders were made for doing the city scavenging, caring for the dead carnines that may have come to an untimely end, and keeping the city garbage pier in approachably condition. The first was from H. F. Abrahams who for $50 a month offers to care for the pier, keep such clear from accumulations and care for the dead dogs and for $25 additional he will keep the road leading to the pier in condition. The other tender was signed by Richard Guilds. He submitted his tender for the work as it has usually been performed in the past, the same for which O'Connor was paid $200 a month, at a rate of $175 a month dating from the moment of receiving from the council a notice of its acceptance of his tender.

A. Vermuriez wants a sidewalk built along the west side of Fourth avenue between King and Queen streets. His petition was signed by himself and his seven tenants and it contains the information that he possesses on the lot in question one house that cost him $4000 and three others costing $1000 each. He has a walk in front of the large building and is prepared to place one in front of the others but wants the adjoining property owners to do likewise in order that an outlet to the street may be secured. At present the property is nearly surrounded by water and is well nigh unapproachable except by boat or a pair of hip boots.

A letter was received from Major Cuthbert in which the attention of the council was called to the horses and stray dogs running at large. The police have received many complaints regarding the nuisance, particularly as to the horses. There is apparently no provision at present for the care of impounded horses and it is desired that something be done at once regarding the matter.

Two communications were received concerning a matter of the utmost importance, something that concerns every property owner in the city. Stauf & Pattullo wrote calling the attention of the council to the chaotic state the property owners would be in with reference to the location of the street corners and the consequention establishment of their lots in the event of a disastrous fire along the business section of the city. It was pointed out that practically all the original stakes are destroyed and the suggestion was made that the cause to be established iron stakes at certain corners which would be indestructible and which would act as a base from which all measurements could be made.

Messrs. Cautley & Cote, Dominion land surveyors, also addressed a communication to the council regarding the same matter. They state that the original plans are becoming almost illegible and that in the event of a heavy fire the result would indeed be serious. The old stakes are destroyed and if a conflagration spread over the business section it might be very difficult to locate corners. Angle bars of steel have been buried at certain corners between First avenue and Eight avenue and between York and Harper streets which would materially assist in the re-establishment of any corners destroyed and the writers recommend that the system be extended over the balance of the city. Such extension would cost from $500 to $1500. If the council has any idea of causing such extension to be made the gentlemen would be pleased to render the city any assistance that may lie in their power.

John A. Dwyer made application for a position on the fire department. He has had large experience in that line and if such is desired he can offer the best of recommendations.

The residents of Seventh avenue between York and Duke streets by means of a numerously signed petition called the attention of the council to the impassible condition of that avenue from King street north. They entreat the council that a sufficient width of the street be graded so that teams can pass in safety. On that portion of Seventh avenue there has never been anything done in the way of making of it a thoroughfare.

A large number of residents of the north end of the city have a kick coming in regard to the condition of Steele avenue between Edward and Albert streets, which is said to be simply deplorable. The ratepayers in that vicinity desire that their street should be improved, filled in where necessary, the hill between Edward and George streets graded and the construction of a sidewalk from Albert to Judge streets be made compulsory.

A LA DOOR MAT

Henry Epling Fined for Standing on Ivan K. Jilbick.

Including fine and costs the expense incident to jumping on a man and standing on him when he is down is $6. That was the price paid in police court this morning by Henry Epting for using Joan K. Jilbick as a door mat.

Jilbick had upwards of a year ago left a boat in charge of Epting. Last fall when the mouth of winter was spread like a huge horse blanket over this portion of the footstool the boat in question was frozen in the ice on the edge of the Yukon at the foot of King street. Thinking to remain true to the trust reposed in him Epting cut the boat out of the ice at a cash outlay of $8. When the craft was freed from its winter mooring Jilbick came along and took possession of it and while he was in reclining position pulling the boat further out on the bank Epting came along and stepped on the recumbent Jilbick. Moreover, he stood upon him. This much Epting admitted but denied Jilbick's statement to the effect that in addition to standing upon him he smashed him in the nose.

After hearing the evidence Magistrate Wroughton imposed a fine of $1 and costs.

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CAPT. GALPIN IS DISMISSED

On Charge Preferred by Alice Rollins Crane

Of Threatening to do Her Violence by Knocking Off Her Think Tank.

The Russian count's story being unworthy of credence and the unsupported testimony of Mrs. Alice Rollins Crane, now Countess Moraczewski, against the unsupported evidence of Captain William Galpin necessarily gave the accused the benefit of the doubt with the result that the aforesaid Captain William Galpin emerged from the police court yesterday evening into the sunlight of heaven a free man, purged of the charge of threatening bodily harm to the winsome Alice.

When the Crane-Galpin case was continued before Magistrate Rutledge yesterday afternoon the only witness to be examined was Count Moraczewski, former citizen of Russia but now claiming allegiance to the land of the Star Spangled Banner.

The count's testimony was favorable to the fair complainant but on cross-examination by Mr. Hagel, attorney for Galpin, the titled gentleman became somewhat mixed and very contradictory in the matter of his evidence. Even the most observing would never have suspicioned the unkempt, shaggy appearing, poorly dressed man in the witness box of having a handle to his name, yet he claims that the blood of Russian nobility courses helter skelter through his veins. The count admitted that he is an exile from his native land but declined to state as to whether or not he is a Nihilist. In reply to his statement that he is a citizen of the United States Mr. Hagel, K.C., said: "There are too many of the same kind in the states."

It was at a roadhouse conducted by the scion of nobility 26 miles down the Yukon that Captain Galpin was charged with having threatened to do the fair Alice damage by knocking her head off.

In his address to the court the defending attorney likened Mrs. Alice Rollins Crane, now Countess Moraczewski, to Delilah who put the kibosh on Sampson by shearing him of his locks. But the attorney said this Delilah had neglected to keep the locks clipped and that Sampson, in the person of his client, Captain William Galpin, becoming himself again, had risen up in his might and bursted the fetters by which Delilah had him bound, the scales had fallen from his eyes and he had broken away from her enthralling influences. Mr. Hagel asked to have the charge against his client dismissed. Before the defense closed and while the letter from Mrs. Crane to Galpin was being read, ridiculed and scathingly commented upon the namesake of Sweet Alice Benbolt arose from her seat beside her attorney and wandered out into the sunlight to inhale the afternoon ozone.

Attorney McDougall for the prosecution was equally caustic as the defence had been and his arraignment of Galpin for drinking into court the letter written him by the woman before their mutual affections began to wane was very severe. He charged Galpin with having no principle and with having sneaked away from Dawson to avoid detention for debt. Captain Galpin resented these reflections and remarked: "I deny the statement," "I vigorously protest," and so on.

A decision was then rendered as above stated.

An amusing feature of the trial was the introduction of a note written by the count to the corporal in charge of the N.W.M.P. post at Fortymile and during the time that the spirit of discord was hovering over Galpin and Mrs. Crane at his roadhouse. The following is a copy of the count's letter to the corporal:

"I beliv that will bj desturbence of pies tro Mrs. Crein acions on j laik hev your protecion sun as poscbul."

At the conclusion of the trial Capt. Galpin was surrounded by his friends who congratulated him warmly upon the decision.

The captain is well known to the old timers in Dawson, having taken a prominent part in early day public and social movements.

He was one of the prime movers of the first miners association organized in the territory and for a long time was custodian of the funds of that organization. He bears an excellent record in the English community in which he formerly lived, where he was engaged in educational work. He is a man of scholarly qualities and is credited with the authorship of a number of publications dealing with affairs in the Klondike.

He places great store by the manuscripts which are in the possession of the late Mrs. Crane—now allied to the Russian nobility—which he purposed sending to the publisher in the near future.

RIVER RISING VERY SLOWLY

Gained Only Three Inches In 24 Hours

Cold Nights Hold Water in Check From All of the Small Streams

The fact that the water of the Yukon river rose only three inches in the 24 hours preceding 12 o'clock today is encouraging to those who some time ago guessed the date of the going out of the ice from the 12th to the 20th of the month.

From Friday noon until Saturday noon the water raised [illegible] inches and had the weather continued warm several feet would have been added by this time. Last night as on Sunday night mercury dropped down to within a few degrees of the zero mark with the result that but little water has flowed from the hillsides in the past two days.

A telegram from Ogilvie today says there is a big jam of ice on the first island below that point and in consequence the water has raised three feet since morning.

The report from Whitehorse is that the Sixtymile river is clear and that the Fiftymile broke in front of the town of Whitehorse this morning.

MAIL DUE THIS EVENING

Passed Indian River at 4 O'Clock This Morning.

An incoming White Pass stage with five passengers and 872 pounds of mail passed Indian river at 4 o'clock this morning and is expected to reach Dawson this evening between 5 and 6. The stage left Whitehorse one week ago today.

An outgoing stage with mail will leave here for Whitehorse tomorrow. The mail closes at the postoffice at 6 o'clock this evening.

BIG THING TONIGHT

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Tonight will witness the retirement forever from Dawson footlights of the wellknown and favorite actor, William Warren Bittner. All arrangements for extending to him a royal farewell are completed and the show tonight will be one of the best ever presented in the city. All the professional and amateur talent is enlisted and a big crowd will witness the passing of Willie.

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CEMETERY DEPLORABLE

Alderman Ryan Tells of What He Saw

City of the Dead Being Groundsluiced Into the Klondike River.

If there were a surfeit of communications at the council meeting last night there was a dearth of bills, for which let the ratepayers be thankful. They numbered but four. W. Berghausen had one for $8.25 and Blair & Johnson one for $10. There was also one from Sergeant Smith which was accompanied by a note explaining the same. The bill amounted to an even $8 and was the cost of carting away certain dogs which met an untimely end. The sergeant in his note stated that in the absence of any city scavenger he had had the carcasses removed as the animals were disposed of, and had paid the bills himself, the vouchers substantiating his statements accompanying the bill he presented. There was also another bill that required some explanation which was fully accounted for. James Carey, a laborer who was employed by the city a month or so ago in assisting to clean out the road leading round the bluff. While so employed a rock rolled down the hillside and he hope Carey could receive an official notification that such was en route it had struck him in the head and was battered to pieces incidentally knocking a small hole in Carey's skull. He was removed to St. Mary's hospital where Dr. Alfred Thompson performed an operation and treated the patient until his recovery. As the city was considered liable to the injured man for damages the easiest way of effecting a settlement was to assume the hospital and doctor's bill upon Carey's releasing the city from all liability. This was done and accompanying the bill was the release duly and properly drawn up and sworn to and also a note from the city attorney explaining matters. The doctor's bill is $150 and that of the hospital $118.

Reports were received from the committee on fire, water and light and also from that on streets, works and property. The first named was supplemented by Macdonald saying the fire committee had seen fit to dispose of another of the horses formerly owned by the department, it being considered no longer suitable for the needs of the department. The sum of $250 was secured for the animal.

A matter that has been discussed pretty freely in the columns of the press during the past few weeks was taken up by Alderman Ryan. It was concerning the disgraceful condition in which the city cemetery was at present. The member had taken time to visit the city of the dead a few days ago and see personally if the stories told were true, and he had found to his sorrow that the half had not been told. The melting snow had cut several ravines down the slope leading to the Klondike and there were some graves in danger of being uncovered. A grave was dug a short time ago and before it could be used it had filled with water. He advocated the attention of the council be given the matter immediately and that the cemetery should be fenced. He also called the attention of the council to the condition of the old A. C. trail leading to the cemetery which it was declared is in a deplorable condition. There is not a passing place on the trail for teams, something that must be remedied. Another thing that will have to be attended to and which might as well be done now as later is that of constructing a box drain down the inside of the road and connecting with the King street drain which will have to be extended to the base of the hill. The alderman would have the drain three feet in width and so constructed that the top could be used as a sidewalk up the hill. He had spoken to one of the members of the Yukon council regarding the matter and the latter had given it as his opinion that there was no doubt but that the territory would be willing to bear half the expense of making the improvements necessary for the preservation of the cemetery. The matter will be investigated by a committee at once.

By motion of Murphy, Dan McLennan, the present street foreman, was made city engineer without salary. After the motion had been carried Murphy explained that the reason of such procedure was for the purpose of enforcing the sidewalk bylaw which requires that all notices served must be by the city engineer.

Macdonald, chairman of the fire, water and light committee, moved that the city advertise for bids for the furnishing of the fire department with horse feed for one year, the bids not to be closed until the opening of navigation, nor to be opened until July 15. Last year it was explained both hay and oats could have been bought for $85 a ton and now the department is paying $300 a ton for hay. Last year the committee asked for the same privilege and was refused and today they are paying three times as much for the feed as a stock of it could have been bought for.

The fire alarm system came in for a roasting, Edwards bringing up the matter and favoring the substitution of the present apology for one that can be depended upon. The system now in use is apparently all right as long as the boxes can be kept in doors, as in the case of the messenger service, but the apparatus will not stand the rigorous treatment when put out in the cold. In fact it is worse than none at all as the department have frequently been sent in the opposite direction from a fire by a wrong number ringing up at the department when an alarm was sent in. Macdonald coincided with Edwards as to the necessity of having a system that can be relied upon, the first few minutes at a fire often being the most valuable. Chief Lester was present and in reply as to the probable cost of a system such as is desired replied that $3000 would be the outside figure. As to the system Murphy said that the Gamewell was the only one in vogue, such being employed all over the country as absolutely reliable. Chief Lester also stated that the Gamewell was the only recognized fire alarm system on the market.

"Can the same wire be used for that as is at present in use by the old system?" inquired his worship.

"Yes, it can be," replied the chief, "but it would be advisable to have it insulated throughout."

One of the members asked what the appropriation was for the fire, water and light committee this season, and such was given as $13,000.

Murphy gave notice that at a meeting to be held not less than two weeks hence, he would move an amendment to the bylaw prohibiting the riding of bicycles on certain sidewalks in the city. As the ordinance now stands cyclists can ride on the east side of Third avenue but not on the west side. The amendment will prohibit wheels from the sidewalks of Third avenue altogether. While the subject of bikes was up the chairman of the police committee was instructed to inform Sergeant Smith that the firemen of the city were exempt from the provisions of the ordinance when in the performance of their duty.

What to do with a lot of street numbers still on hand was a matter that was discussed. It was explained that those now on the houses were put up last winter when it was very cold and it was a difficult matter to see all the property owners, many of them being outside. It was thought the numbering of the city could be finished early this summer and instead of hiring a man or two for that purpose it was suggested that perhaps a fireman or two could be spared a few days for that purpose. The chief was asked his opinion and replied, "It rests entirely with you, gentlemen."

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NOBILITY TAKES WIFE

Count Wedded to Alice R. Crane

Sacred Compact Sealed by Rev. W. H. Barraclough Last Evening.

When a matrimonial alliance is formed between nobility and genius the god of love winks the off eye and chubby little cupids dance the highland Fling.

Nobility and genius were allied yesterday evening at 5:30 o'clock in the parlor of the M. E. parsonage when Mrs. Alice Rollins Crane, genius, become countess Moraczewski, the wife of Count Victor Moraczewski, a scion of Russian nobility. Rev. W. H. Barraclough officiated. The groom was supported by Mr. F. M. Shepherd and the bride by Mrs. W. A. Peddoe.

The love, courtship and marriage of the count and Mrs. Crane was clothed in an air of romance and the whole story may some day be described by the versatile pen of the accomplished countess.

The love spark first began to glow in the Twenty Sixmile roadhouse on the Yukon river, which hostelry was conducted by the count and in which the present countess and her erstwhile partner, Captain William Galpin, stopped for a season in this humble place, regardless of the aroma of sacks hanging around the stove, the spark of love glowed and grew brighter and nobility finally came to its knees before genius. The further fact that lowering warclouds hovered over the present countess and her erstwhile partner like flies around the bunghole of a molasses barrel in a country grocery probably served to spur onward the gallant count in rescuing the fair lady from a position which he could readily perceive was not in accord with her delicate sense. Love found a way and triumphed, and the marriage yesterday evening was the sequel to the triumph.

The bride is well known in Dawson, having resided here nearly all the time since 1898.

Of the count little is known, he never having made his debut in Dawson society. In fact, until he appeared as the champion of his now fair bride in her difference with her erstwhile partner, Galpin, it was not known that a scion of nobility was engaged in the hum drum calling of running a roadhouse in this country.

For the present and until the roadhouse business on the Yukon revives next fall Count and Countess Moraczewski will make their home in Dawson.

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