

## YUKON COUNCIL IN SESSION

Met for the First Time in the New Council Chambers.

Incorporation Ordinance Receives Its First Reading—Several Erroneous Impressions Are Corrected.

This afternoon the Yukon council for the first time is meeting in the council chamber of the new administration building. The relief experienced by the members in thus becoming settled in what might be termed a home of their own is possibly as great if not greater than that enjoyed by any other branch of the government. Ever since its formation the council has met wherever it has proven most convenient to receive them, generally in the old courthouse, but sometimes in the new one. The members have had no desks, not even members have had no desks, not even members might be left, or a nail upon which to hang their hats. So, the new quarters provided through the munificence of Ottawa come as a veritable boon. From the main hallway on the second floor there is a private stairway leading to a room fitted with individual lockers for each member. In the council chamber each one has a comfortable chair, to sit upon and a desk to himself, another blessing for which the members are truly grateful. The members of the press are likewise reveling in the luxury afforded by spacious desks, almost the first time in the history of the Yukon where any consideration has been shown the newspaper fraternity. The reporter's gallery is in the southwest corner of the room, separated from the public by a railing and fitted with a long, green baize covered desk.

There were no formal ceremonies of any kind that characterized the opening of the council chamber, the members merely seized their seats, occupied them and the business of the day was begun at once. Though now completely occupied the Administration building has never been formally opened, and Governor Ross has announced that such an event will take place at some date in the near future. It will not be ceremonious in its nature as the commissioner is well known to be opposed to anything in the way of ostentation or needless display. There will simply be a few remarks apropos of the occasion and the building will be declared duly opened.

The principal bill before the council this afternoon and the one which is engrossing the attention of all is the ordinance presented and read for the first time having for its purpose the incorporation of the city. In certain quarters there is considerable opposi-

tion to the bill, particularly among the large taxpayers, due to the fact that the present rates may be largely increased should incorporation be effected. Whether the opposition is protesting against such action being taken remains to be seen, and it might be added, that should a majority of the ratepayers prove antagonistic to the bill it is not likely that incorporation would be forced upon the people against their will. Among the heaviest items of expense anticipated by many as the result of the incorporation, a very erroneous impression, by the way, is the idea that the city of a necessity will be compelled to have and support its own police force, an expense estimated by some at \$25,000 a year. Such could not be farther from the intent of the father of the bill as it stands in its present form. The N. W. M. P. are here, and here they will remain, and while it will be within the province of the city, if incorporated, to establish its own police force, still it is a superfluous expense that need not be undertaken. The powers of the N. W. M. P. will be none the less if the city had a dozen police forces. The police are here for the purpose of upholding the laws of the Dominion and any infraction of them would render the perpetrator liable to arrest, city or no city.

When the bill will receive its second reading is not definitely known. There is some talk of having a special meeting for the purpose a week hence, and it has been also said that nothing further will be done until the next regular meeting of the council, the first Thursday in January, thus affording a month's time in which to digest the contents of the bill. The Nugget will present the ordinance in its original form and "you pay your money and takes your choice."

## DATE NOW IS FIXED

First Annual Ball of the N. W. M. P. Friday, Dec. 27.

The N. W. M. P. have decided upon Friday, December 27, as the date upon which they will hold their first annual ball. The original intention of having the dance in No. 1 barracks is proving unsatisfactory to a number of the committee on account of the extensive number of invitations which will be issued and the consequent fear that the hall will be so crowded as to make dancing a matter of labor rather than pleasure. Several have proposed procuring the A. B. hall for the purpose, a suggestion that meets with very strong approval. In the territories the annual ball of the N. W. M. P. is made the most swaggy event of the year, and the Dawson division states positively that in this their first attempt they will fully uphold all the glories and traditions established by the force in the past.

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## HIS STAFF COMPLETE

Col. Evans Is Recruiting Men and Buying Horses.

Ottawa, Dec. 5.—Col. Evans, having chosen his officers for the new Canadian contingent, has already begun the work of recruiting men and buying horses. A complete list of the staff appointments are as follows: In command, Col. Evans, C. B.; second in command, Major Merritt, of Toronto; adjutant, Sergeant Major Church, mounted police, Regina; quartermaster, Sergeant J. Giam, mounted infantry, Winnipeg; veterinary surgeon, R. Riddle, Calgary. Col. Evans had a free hand in the selection of his staff. All on the list have active service in South Africa and have good fighting records. With the exception of Major Merritt, all are from the West.

## BRAVE SQUAW.

Vancouver, Dec. 5.—An Indian canoe capsized in the harbor here Saturday and Chief Harry of the Mission tribe and another Indian were drowned in a few seconds. Harry's wife seized her children, one aged four, the other aged three years, one under each arm and taking her two months' old baby in her teeth, struggled with them to the shore, a distance of 200 yards which she reached in safety. All three of the children subsequently died of exposure. If the woman, who is very sick, recovers, she will be presented by the Royal Humane Society with the highest honors.

## HE FIT AND FOUT.

Mount Holly, N. J., Dec. 5.—Chas. Holly who was hanged here yesterday for murder came nearly escaping in the morning when he knocked the jail warden insensible, donned his clothes and was in the act of scaling the prison wall when recaptured. He fought like a demon but was overpowered and two hours later was hanged.

## TRAIN TIED UP.

Choctaw, Oklahoma, Dec. 5.—The westbound express train was attached here yesterday by the county sheriff for a debt of \$76 owed to a discharged employee. The train was tied by a chain to the station. After half an hour's delay the judgment was paid and the train proceeded.

## SOUSA REWARDED.

London, Dec. 5.—Sousa's band from America played before their majesties and the royal family Tuesday. The famous bandmaster was rewarded by being presented with the Royal Victoria medal.

## THREE DROWNED.

San Francisco, Dec. 5.—Through a collision of the ferry boats Sausalito and San Rafael in the fog in San Francisco bay, the San Rafael sank and three lives were lost.

## AWFUL WARNING.

San Francisco, Dec. 5.—J. D. Hurley, a Vermont man, committed suicide here last night for the reason that he could not overcome his appetite for strong drink.

## HI-YU MONEY.

Washington, Dec. 4.—At the opening of the United States congress 7009 bills were introduced, the total appropriations asked for amounting to \$610,827,000.

## DISASTROUS FIRE.

Glen Carbon, Ill., Dec. 5.—All the top works of No. 2 mine of the Madison Coal Co. were destroyed by fire last night.

## UNCLE SAM'S BUY.

Washington, Dec. 5.—The United States Government has purchased the Danish West Indies for \$465,000.

## FIRE IN DENVER.

Denver, Dec. 5.—Fire last night destroyed the city hall and many valuable state records.

## DEAD AT QUEBEC.

Quebec, Dec. 5.—Barrister Malouin of this city, is dead.

The finest of office stationery may be secured at the Nugget primary at reasonable prices.

Don't fail to see the cartoons at the Pioneer saloon.

DIRECT FROM VANCOUVER.

## EARLE ASSIGNS.

Vancouver, Dec. 5.—Thomas Earle, M. P. of this city, has made an assignment, three smaller business concerns going down with him. Among his liabilities are \$260,000 owed to the Bank of British North America, \$65,000 to the Bank of Commerce and \$45,000 to the Molsons. The total liabilities are about \$370,000; assets about the same. The wreck was caused by Earle's heavy investment in the Seattle, Lake Shore & Eastern railway which he tried to carry alone, paying \$90,000 interest annually.

## PRIOR OUSTED.

Victoria, Dec. 5.—The election cases against Prior and Earle, Victoria members of parliament, resulted in the ousting of Prior on his own admission of corrupt practices of his agents carried on without his knowledge. Earle was confirmed in his seat, but must pay the costs of the investigation.

## RAPID STEAMERS.

Seattle, Dec. 5.—The organization of the Alaska Mail Steamship Company has been completed and it is proposed to put three steamers on the run in the spring that will cover the distance from Seattle to Skagway in two days. A representative of the company has gone east to purchase suitable steamers.

## BULLER'S GRIP.

London, Dec. 5.—General Buller's popularity is growing daily and his retirement is held by many to presage the downfall of the Salisbury ministry. The venerable premier appears to be completely losing his grasp on public affairs.

## OLD BOAT WRECKED.

Seattle, Dec. 5.—The old Sound steamer Skagit Chief was wrecked yesterday while en route here from Bremerton. She is a total loss. No lives were lost.

## GOOD FOR CANADA.

Ottawa, Dec. 5.—The Imperial Government will expend \$10,000,000 in Canada for forage and other war supplies.

## OFFICE SEEKERS.

Winnipeg, Dec. 5.—Arbutnot, Caruthers and Ross are all candidates for the mayoralty of this city.

## DRY DOCK TEST.

Washington, Dec. 5.—A naval test of the government dry dock at New Orleans has been ordered.

## WHIST CLUB ORGANIZED

Weekly Meetings Will Be Held at the Residences of Members.

A number of gentlemen met yesterday evening at the residence of Mr. Charles MacDonald and organized the Dawson Whist Club with the following officers:—President, Chief Mc-

## OLD PAPERS

IN BUNDLES, FOR SALE

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THE NUGGET OFFICE  
FIVE CENTS A POUND.HOLME, MILLER  
& CO.

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Kinnon, vice president, F. T. Con-

don, secretary and treasurer, H. A. Herbert, official scorer, A. Marks. Others whose names are embraced in the membership roll are H. E. Ridley, F. G. Crisp, W. Noble, J. U. Nicol, J. S. McKay, D. G. McKenzie, W. G. Berry, Charles MacDonald, and Messrs. Warden, House and Grant. The membership is limited to 30 and meetings are to be held weekly at the residence of the different members. As may be inferred from the list, the club is to be a strictly stag affair and the play will be only of the most scientific order. When one of the promoters was asked why the ladies were excluded he said:

"The ladies? Why, we love them, of course, devotedly, and could not do without them; but play whist with them? Never!"

## An Englishman's Views.

Dawson, Y. T., Dec. 4, 1901.

Editor Nugget:—

The subject of the incorporation of Dawson seems today to be the chief topic of discussion on the streets and in view of the extraordinary ideas held by some people on the subject perhaps these few lines may be of some value to the public. Apparently a great many people hold the opinion that under incorporation the mayor and aldermen will have the complete control of the policing of the town. This, to anyone who has lived in the N. W. T. of Canada is the height of absurdity. If the people of Dawson want a town or municipal police they should at once be brought to understand that such a force would only deal with infractions of municipal bylaws, and with offenses the fine for the punishment of which would accrue to the municipal coffers.

The N. W. M. P. I am glad to say, would still have complete control over any infractions of the criminal code, and the gamblers and those interested in gambling and other kindred offenses would have no better chances of pursuing their avocations under incorporation than they have today. The corporation of Dawson would deal with fire protection, streets, street lighting, drainage, sanitation generally, and perhaps would have control of municipal franchises and practically nothing else. So much for their duties, next with regard to the electorate.

I understand that the proposed charter of incorporation will only give a municipal vote to British property holders, and that the aliens are to have no voice in the determining of how the taxes they pay are to be spent. One cannot help feeling that such a charter would be a grave mistake and although, as is urged by the supporters of "no vote to the aliens," Canada has been and is today very severely treated by the United States in the matter of alien labor laws, alien property acts, and the denial to the alien of mining rights, still two wrongs have never yet made a right. The principle proposed in the new charter is fundamentally opposed to the British system of government and is exactly what has caused the Boer war today. As a British taxpayer I leg through your columns to enter my protest against such a state of affairs, and to declare that in common with other Britishers I would sooner see no incorporation for Dawson than incorporation on such a basis.

I am, sir, with the usual apologies, yours truly,

ENGLISHMAN.

## HOTEL ARRIVALS.

Hotel Flannery.—John McCrimmon, Gold Bottom; Malcom Campbell, Gold Bottom; O. Malin, 16 Eldorado; Gus Peterson, French Gulch; Albert Ridley, Duncan, G. Cunningham, city.

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## TWEEDIE'S DEPARTURE

Popular Sergeant Being Wined and Dined by His Friends.

The legion of friends of Sergeant Tweedie, known to the newspaper men from his impenetrability as "The Silent Sergeant," who has left the police force and intends taking his departure for the outside next week, intends seeing that he does not soon forget his old pals in the far north. During the remainder of his stay here the sergeant will be wined and dined continuously almost. To-night about 20 of his intimates are giving a banquet in his honor at the Holborn. Early next week, just prior to his departure, the other members of the sergeant's mess will banquet their brother "non-com" in a style befitting his popularity. Tweedie's affable smile and his irresistible "I don't know" and "you had better see Captain So-and-so" in response to reporters' queries will be particularly missed by the news gatherers.

## ONE LONE SOLITARY

Usual Quietness of Police Court Rudely Broken Today.

But one case disturbed the serenity of the peaceful atmosphere about the police court this morning, a common case of drunk and disorderly. Corporal Piper about 2 o'clock this morning came upon Alex. Anderson in South Dawson. Anderson, who had a bright, lurid jag at the time, had thrice been ejected from a lodging house on account of his boisterous conduct, and to the officer's command that he go home and behave himself he not only refused but insulted the majesty of the law. When the charge was read to him this morning, the prisoner with a look of dejection said, "Dat's right, I guess." His honor imposed a fine of \$10 and costs or 20 days at hard labor.

## WHOO-LA FOR THE MAIL

Middle Aged Residents May See Consignment Arrive.

There is a glaring possibility that middle-aged people of fairly good constitution will live sufficiently long to see another mail arrive in Dawson, as the consignment nearest here from Whitehorse passed Selwyn yesterday morning and, no preventing Providence, Rhode Island, should reach Stewart tonight. If it should reach Stewart tonight and if the carriers are not too tired to travel tomorrow and Saturday, it should be delivered in Dawson Saturday evening. However, this can be scarcely expected.

Toys and games—all kinds for the little ones.—Kilgore & Landahl's.

Give the boy a fine knife for Xmas. See Shindler.

X-MAS TOYS

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## CANADIAN PACIFIC

Night Train Plunges  
300 Foot Precipice  
This Morning

Killing Crew and Splintering

Accident Happened From  
Near Lytton.

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Wreck Dark Ernest Reyer  
Off Oregon Coast in Storm  
of Tuesday.

Tuesday, Dec. 3.—News from the coast here of a wreck on the Pacific coast this morning. A point near Lytton, where a night train plunged into a deep. All the crew and the train was up in a matchwood. The wreck was caused by a rock slide. The train had passed only a few minutes when everything was the name of the men killed by the train.

## BARK WRECKED

Chicago, Dec. 5.—President McKinley's assassin was publicly shot last night at a meeting of the society held by Abraham Lincoln.

## ASSASSIN CHEER

Winnipeg, Dec. 6.—The French Canadian Reyer was wrecked on the coast of Oregon in the storm of Tuesday. The worst for fifteen minutes saved the crew but the train was recovered from.

They are warm numbers—the ones at the Pioneer saloon.

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