

NEW IDEAS ADVANCED

Mr. A. D. Williams Re-Concession.

Plan For Supplying Water to Miners on Concession Effected Creeks.

mechanical horse power. 5235 horse-power add for loss by friction, etc., 35 per cent., gives required horse power 7087.

Proposition number three. This is the fluming of the Klondike either by flume or iron-banded wooden pipe or by steel pipe, or by any of the three as the conditions require.

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use every endeavor both at Dawson and other parts of Canada to have the Dominion government, to whom we have already shown our great resources by paying large sums in royalty into the treasury, more than sufficient to open up the territory up to the present time—guarantee the interest and principal on the bonds or debentures of the co-operative organization for a period of ten years for a sufficient amount to place the flume proposition, or any other which may be considered more appropriate, in working order.

By the Dominion government aiding this proposition they will not only confer a lasting benefit on the miners of the Yukon territory but will increase their revenue many times greater than it is at the present.

There should be as much faith shown in the Yukon territory by the government as is shown by any individual or corporation, and as the people of this territory are unanimous in their cry for the supplying of the district with water, they are equally opposed to granting any franchise of such colossal importance to any corporation, especially when a greater part of the country is handed over to them as a bonus, as in the case of the Treadgold concession.

A. D. WILLIAMS.

Will Not Grant Scale. Indianapolis, Ind., Feb. 4.—The mine operators and mine workers, in the secret session of their joint scale committee, today disagreed upon everyone of the seven propositions submitted by the miners, and the whole matter was referred for discussion to the open joint conference held this afternoon.

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ARE WORKING TOGETHER

Liberal Club and Citizen's Committees.

Met Together Last Night to Devise Ways of Thwarting Treadgold Wrong.

The committee appointed at the mass meeting at the A. B. hall on Monday evening met last night at the Board of Trade with the committee appointed by the Liberal club on Saturday evening, to confer as to the dispatches to be sent to Ottawa in regard to the Treadgold concession, and in regard to the question of sending a delegation to wait upon the premier and other officials.

Mr. Prudhomme presided and George Black acted as secretary. Among those present were: F. T. Congdon; J. T. Bethune; J. U. Nicol; Col. McGregor; A. Neel; T. J. Davison; J. F. Suggs; J. I. Clarke; A. D. Williams; D. Matheson; M. H. Bouliars; George Murphy; A. Palmer; John R. Grey; W. A. Beddoe; C. M. Woodworth; O. H. Clarke; and Mayor Macaulay.

Mr. Congdon said the Liberal committee had formed a small committee consisting of Messrs. Edwards, Bethune, Williams and himself, and had gone into the matter of ascertaining facts in regard to the concession at considerable length. But what was required was as strong a brief as could be drawn, one based on good scientific facts. He would suggest that a small supplementary committee be appointed to work with the one of the Liberal club.

Mr. Woodworth and others spoke in the same tenor and a committee was appointed consisting of Messrs. Congdon, Williams, O. H. Clarke and A. F. Nicol. A discussion followed as to the best course this committee should suggest to the authorities at Ottawa and as to whether it would be best to suggest that the government undertake to place water on the creeks. In this connection the following letter from Mr. Coffey was read by the secretary:

Dawson, Y.T., Feb. 18th, 1902. To committee appointed in mass meeting held in A. B. hall, Feb. 17, 1902:

Gentlemen,—I have attended the meeting held in the A. B. hall last evening and heard the proposition laid before the meeting by A. D. Williams. I believe the proposition as submitted to be entirely feasible and one that would be an excellent substitute for the Treadgold concession, and while it may not be adopted in its entirety, some such an amended scheme may be adopted as will prove to be the greatest possible benefit to the miners and mine owners along the different creeks in question.

I paid particular attention to the figures, etc., as quoted by Mr. Williams, and from my experience covering a period of more than fifteen years in hydraulic mining I deem them to be entirely conservative. I do not consider for a moment that a pumping proposition should be entertained, for while the first cost might be less, in the end the proposition of fluming and ditching the water from the Klondike would be the most satisfactory and economical, because once the flumes, ditches, etc., are constructed the cost of maintenance, repairs, etc., would be very slight as compared with the immense cost of maintenance of a pumping plant. Each year will more greatly prove the importance of having water in abundance delivered along the creeks in this district, for from what I have seen of this immense gravel deposit, I am satisfied that the life of the camp will exist for many years after all of the ground payable by the present method of working is exhausted. I am very sorry that I am not able to attend the meeting of your honorable body today, owing to business which I cannot postpone.

Yours most respectfully, G. COFFEY. Considerable discussion followed as to the practicability of sending a delegation of three to Ottawa, at a cost of \$3000, and it was deemed advisable to first have a committee go out today and then report upon the prospect of raising this sum by subscription. The finance committee will take up this work this morning, and another committee will meet at noon today, in the office of Clark, Wilson and Starole, to draft a substitute to the Treadgold concession for the obtaining of water for the creeks. Al-

so a committee was appointed to attend the meeting to be held at Gold Bottom on Friday evening. The committee to draft a brief will also meet this afternoon. Meanwhile, having all the committees appointed and at work, the following telegram was sent last night to the premier and the minister of the interior: "The citizens of the Klondike, in mass meeting assembled, most earnestly request delay in the Treadgold concession matter until their representations in regard thereto reach Ottawa. Please wire reply." This was signed by Mayor Macaulay as chairman of the meeting and George Black as secretary.

BECOMES A BENEDICT

Popular Carrier of the Nugget Forswears

Single Blessedness For the More Congenial State of Conubial Felicity.

C. M. Bell, for two years a carrier of the Nugget on Bonanza and Eldorado and the senior member of the firm of Bell & Gross, stationers and newsmen of the Forks, arrived Sunday evening from the outside after a four months' trip through the States. Mr. Bell left Dawson in October, visiting Seattle, Portland and San Francisco before proceeding east. At Kansas City on January 14 he consummated the real purpose of his visit outside by marrying Miss Lyda Pratt, the accomplished daughter of one of the leading brokers and commission men of that city. Mr. and Mrs. Bell came west on their honeymoon, spending nearly three weeks, visiting different points of interest on the coast. January 30 the bride returned to the home of her parents and Mr. Bell started for the far north. He left Whitehorse with a dog team, but they not being in the best of condition soon gave out. He then completed another stage of his journey on foot, leaving a companion to follow with the dogs later on, and a day or two before arriving in the city being overtaken by a stage completed the latter end of his trip by that route. Mr. Bell is known on the creeks as a hustling, wide awake young man and one of the hardest muckers in the country. He is receiving the heartiest congratulations from his many friends for having foregone single blessedness. Mrs. Bell will join her husband upon the opening of navigation.

Bail Player Dead. New Bedford, Mass., Feb. 4.—Thos. Heron, a well known baseball player, died here suddenly today. His last engagement was with the New London, Conn., nine. He had played ball in California and in all the prominent eastern organizations. He was 31 years old.

Believed She Foundered. Boston, Feb. 4.—The finding of a bit of wreckage at Bellport, L. I., with the letters "ope," apparently part of the name of a vessel lost in Sunday night's storm painted on it, leads to the belief that the barge Penelope was wrecked and the six persons on board perished.

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