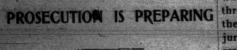
THE KLONDIKE NUGGET: DAWSON, Y. T., SUNDAY MAY 18, 1900



Fred W. Struthers Will Be Arraigned on a Charge of Accepting a Bribe



In the Office of Assistant Gold Commissioner Bell.



To Substantiate the Charge-Prose- call. cutor Wade Appearing for the Queen.

(From Friday's Daily.) All the seats in the police court were filled this morning, the majority of the people present being interested in some way in the case of the Queen against Fred W. Struthers, bench claim recording clerk in the office of Assistant Gold Commissioner Bell, charged with having accepted a bribe while in the perance of his clerical duties and in the employ of the government which, the charge alleges, he defrauded.

When Fred Struthers (who was spoken of in our issue of yesterday as "William" Struthers) was called, he approached the magistrate's table and in inswer to the question, "Are you ready to proceed with your hearing," replied in the affirmative,

Crown Prosecutor Wade, who was present in behalf of the queen, asked that the case be continued until Tuesday, at which time the prosecution will be fully prepared to proceed. After con-siderable comparing of days and dates Tuesday at 10 o'clock in the forenoon was the time fixed by the court for the

William Brown and R. D. Sutherland, who are charged with offering to Struthers the bribe which he is alleged to have accepted, were also in court, baving been brought in from the jail where since their arrest Wednesday y have been confined, and each man was represented by an attorney. Their cases were also enlarged until Tuesday morning. The attorneys for the two men made a strong plea for a reduction in the amount of bond required; but the court resterated his rearks of yesterday to the effect that he did not propose to place the bond so low as to admit of any probability of the men not being present when wanted. The bond was, therefore, allowed to remain the same as fixed yesterday, and the same as required of Fred Struthers. towit: \$5000 personal bond and \$3000 each from two responsible parties.

Fortunately the sperture was sufficient-ly large to permit of his body being drawn through into the foaming depths below where, instead of coming to the surface, he was carried beneath a log iam with such torce and violence as to distocate one of his shoulders. During all this rapid "presto change" busi-ness, Mr. Holmes, who is 60 years of age, never lost his presence of mind, realizing while under the log jam that if he ever got out he must swim for it. Held an Exceptionally Important Notwithstanding his crippled shoulder he struck out manfully and succeeded in getting from under the jam and to the surface, where, although the whole ex-perience had been gone through within the space of a minute, he inhaled the most grateful breath of air he ever took in his life. Several men were present when Mr. Holmes tell into the dam and when he emerged from the water several yards below they were still gazing at the spot where he fell in. When seen by them, however, he was soon rescued and taken to a cabin. Dr. Geo. Duncan; of this city, was sent for, leaving Wednesday night at midnight for the bedside of the man who had survived what is probably the most exciting and thrilling adventure ever experienced in the Klondike. After attending the injured shoulder the doctor left his patient resting easily, and, aside from the

Territorial Court.

shoulder, none the worse for his close

Today Justice Dugas is occupied in hearing the arguments of counsel on legal motions. This morning, a few judgments were rendered by the court. The plaintiff in Byers vs. West secured

judgment against the defendant for the amount claimed and costs. In Connelly vs. Morrison and Hebb, an order was entered for absolute fore-

In Henderson vs. Burns, the plaintiff

secured judgment against the defendant. The injunction against the plaintiff in Ericksen vs. Bruest was ordered to be suspended, but the writ, which was issued against the defendant still con-

tinues in force. The motions in McCauless vs. The Parsons Produce Company, and the Bank of British North America vs. the same defendant were continued till Monday.

In Worden vs. Baters, the notion was postponed till Monday; in the meantime the receiver is to retain charge of the property in his custody. entered appointing a receiver in the a subscription to assist in this object. In McKenna vs. Danker, an order was

The summons for foreclosure in Doig vs Anglo-French-Klondike Syndicate was postponed till Monday.

In Law vs. Murphy, a summons was

issued confirming the appointment of a receiver. The motion in Miller vs. Croher has

been enlarged for two weeks, and an order was entered continuing the injunc tion in the meautime.



and Busy Meeting Yesterday Afternoon.

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Move to Open Doors

TO THE PRESS AND PUBLIC.

Communications, Petitions and State ments Galore Are Read and

Acted Upon or Referred.

The Yukon council convened in regular session at 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon. All the members were present, and a large amount of important business was transacted.

A petition was received from Messrs. Belcourt, McDougal and Smith, on be half of George Armstrong, asking for the exclusive privilege of running a ferryboat on Fiftymile river, at a point opposite the town of Whitehorse. Referred to the committee on standing orders and private bills.

A petition signed by the residents of Dawson was presented asking for a continnation of the present monthly grant of money by the council for the maintenance of the Dawson public reading and recreation room. Referred to the finance committee.

A communication was received from the secretary of the executive committee appointed to arrange for the celebration of the Queen's birthday, asking for Referred to the finance committee.

A petition was presented from Edward exclusive right to supply the town of Bonanza with water. Referred to the ed.

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asking that the preliminary work for continuing the government ridge road from the head of Caribou creek to Gold asking that the preliminary work for Run be commenced at the earliest possible date. Referred to the committee on public works.

A message was submitted from the commissioner calling the attention of council to the necessity of providing a quick and inexpensive method of collecting small debts. Referred to the civil justice and miscelaneous commit- Broke Early This Morning and

The commissioner submitted a memoandum to council asking that consideration he given to the question of a donation from the Yukon council to the sufferers from the recent fire in Hull and Ottawa. Referred to the finance committee

The commissioner submitted a memorandum to council respecting the question of admitting representatives of the press to the discussion of public affairs. In reference to this matter, Mr. Girouard gave the following notice of motion:

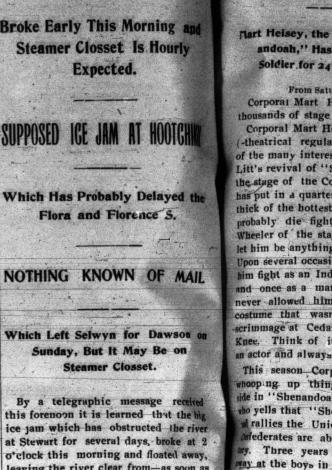
That on Thursday next he will move that in future the meetings of the council shall be made public, according to the general rules of the house of commons of Canada; that a fit and proper hall for the purpose of admitting the public at large shall be secured, and that a particular space therein shall be reserved and furnished with tables and seats for the members of the press or their representatives.

The commissioner submitted a memo randum to council respecting com plaints which had been made to him against certain members of the legal, agreement that they should receive an if they were successful in winning the kirk.

case. Declared contrary to law. A statement or appropriations and exsubmitted by the comptroller for the in-. formation of council, showing a balof Commerce, April 30th, of \$32,566.89; \$22,000 due to the Alaska Commercial Commercial Company for engines, hose, etc., for the fire department; expenditure on drains and ditches to May 8th of \$5098.49. Referred to the finance that any jams which may now be holdcommittee.

The committee on finance reported that a tabulated statement was presented to them by the acting license inspector, showing the extension of time to which each license was entitled under the amended liquor ordinance, and recommend that such extension be granted in distance from Dawson to Lebarge. M. Sullivan praving for the passing of accordance with the statement presentan ordinance, giving him the sole and ed. On motion of Mr. Girouard the report of the finance committee was adopt-

committee on standing, orders and pri-vate bills. The committee on standing orders and ice jam at that place in order to start private bills to whom was referred the on the trip down the river to this place, as presented from J. R. bill providing for the incorporation of will arrive sometime this afternoon at the sypsy in "Rosedale, before dark, which begins about II aptain and a regime slough in the aller at paper. Etd. reported forestable with the system of the system o A petition was presented from J. R. bill providing for the incorporation of will arrive sometime this afternoon or drainage of the slough in the alley at pany, Ltd., reported favorably on the o'clock, tonight. The Closset is certain block L, government reserve. Referred granting of articles of incorporation to to be, barring an accident, the first the company, and on motion of Mr. boat to reach Dawson this year from up Clement the committee's report was the river. It is possible that the Closadouted. Accordingly, the bill for the set will bring the mail which left Sel-



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profession for conducting contests where at Stewart for several days, broke at 2 mining interests were involved on the o'clock this morning and floated away, leaving the river clear from-as soon as interest in the claim for their services the ice all passes here-Dawson to Sel-The steamers Flora and Florence S. which were detained some time by a

penditures from the local revenue was jam at Five Fingers, got away yesterday, but at 9 o'clock this morning had not reached Selkirk, and it is though ance overdrawn at the Canadian Bank another jam has been around in the locality of Hutchiku, from which point no direct news can be had, there being no telegraph office at that point.

Although the river is not rising to ing in the upper waters will continue longer than a few hours at best, although slough and shore ice may be noticed passing down yet for several days. Within a day or two, however, it is confidently expected that the channel of the river will be open the entire

It is expected that the steamer Joseph Closset, which wintered near the mouth of Sewart river and which has been for two days awaiting the going out of the incorporation of the company was read wyn last Sunday. ,

As neither Brown nor Sutherland were able to give the bond required, they were taken back to jail. Struthers had one of his bondsmen, H. Feeney, present, and a messenger was sent by h m for W. V. Summerville, the other.

During today another and more serious charge, that of forgery, it was said, would be preferred against Struthers, who, it is very apparent, is manfully bearing up under the cloud which hovers over him. He is not over 24 or 25 years of age, and if reports are true, is a young man of rare business instinct, he being said to have acquired interests in 73 mining claims during his brief residence in Dawson, where he has been employed in the office of Assistant Gold Commissioner Bell.

Was a Cfuse Call.

I Mr. James Holmes, who for some time past has been foreman for Mr. Martyn, managing director of the Klundike government concession at the mouth of the Nugget will do the rest. Hunker, had a most thrilling experience Wednesday evening which he is not anxious to repeat. While engaged in repairing the tailrace portion of the dam which is 10 feet high and full of water, the two bottom planks of the dam having been broken, making a large aperture through which the water was rushing with great force, Mr. Holmes fell backwards into the dam with such drop as caused him to sink below the surface, where he was caught by the suction of escaping water from below and drawn downwards to the break.

In Courtney vs. Davis, a motion was made to strike out the appearance of the defendant. Decision reserved.

In Heron vs. Morgan the appearance and defense of the defendant were struck and costs was entered for the plaintiff, pay patients during the month of April out; and judgment for amount claited The writ of injunction, issued in the ase of McDonald vs. Rice and Stephens, was dissolved.

A motion was made in Hawkins vs. Wright to adopt the arbitrator's report. In Cashman vs. Senkler, the injunction was continued to Monday.

The motion in Williams vs. Faulkner was enlarged till Monday, and an order was entered continuing the injunction. and receiver in the meantime.

The motion in Dawkins vs. Erickson as withdrawn.

In Hetherington vs. Macpherson, motion was made to strike out the apearance of the defendant. Taken uner advisement.

The trial of the libel case of Joseph A. Clarke vs. H. J. Woodside and Thomas O'Brien has been fixed for June ith.

Hello! Daily Nugget.

A week ago the Daily Nug et joined the everlasting throng of patrons of the Resolved, that the legal adviser be in- sary proceedings, under the law, be local telephone system and now it is structed to prepare an amendment as taken as soon as possible. possible for us to converse with and obtain news from all parts of the district over which the system extends. The Nugget's number is 12; therefore, when you have anything to impart, please call up that number and state the case ;

Off on the Creeks.

Alex McDonald left Tuesday for Sulhur creek where he will visit all the claims in which he holds interests, and rom that stream will take in all points being operated. He may be absent or tomorrow. He started with the intention of visiting all of his mining mittee on public works. property, and will return when his ob-

to the commutee on public works.

A communication was received from the comptroller accompanied, by an account in duplicate from St. Mary's hospital for the treatment of indigents and at that institution. Referred to the hospital co.nmittee. Mr. Justice Dugas asked to be relieved of the chairman-

ship of this committee owing to pressure of work. Mr. Girouard was thereupon appointed in his place.

A communication was received from Joseph A. Clarke, secretary of the mass meeting of citizens, accompanied by with the question of taxation of Dawson and the secret meetings of the Yukon council, and the other with the ques-

clerk was instructed to acknowledge receipt of them.

suggested by the comptroller. A communication was received from Messrs, Pattullo & Ridley asking for a refund of \$200 deposited by Col Samuel

clusive water fra chise be refunded.

A petition was presented from the miners of upper Dominion creek, urgwhere he has mining property which is ing that a branch road be built from the main trunk road, commencing at a from the city tor a week or ten days to point near the big dome and extending mero come, and again; he may return tonight at a point at or near upper discovery on Dominion creek. Referred to the com-

> A petition was presented from the reident claim owners on Gold Run creek, country.

twice and referred to a committee of the whole council. In reference to the petition of J. S. Barron for a reduction in the license fee to pawn-brokers, the committee on

miscellaneous matters recommended that the fee be reduced from \$1000 to \$500.

The folloing motion was submitted by Justice Dugas: That in the opin ion of this council a survey should be copies of two resolutions- one dealing made according to law, as speedily as funds permit, of Bonanza, Eldorado, Hunker, Dominion, Gold Run, Sulphur, Quartz, and any other creeks which may tion of toll gates and toll bridges be considered of sufficient importance

throughout the Yukon territory. The as well as of the ridges which may lead to Indian river, with a view to estab

lishing a road allowance thereto, or any A communication was received from of them, as may be deemed necessary, the comptroller proposing an amend- as soon as the same shall be ratified by ment to the ordinance respecting tran- the surveyor general, and that a memorsient traders, by arranging that licenses ial be sent to the Ottawa government to transtent traders be issued from the representing the necessity of - making office of the government of the Yukon such roads for the better development of

territory rather than from the police. this territory, and asking that the neces-

Gold Commissioner's Court.

Today, the attention of Gold Commis sioner Senkler is occupied in trying the Word when he filed his petition for an case of Francis J. Krick, plaintiff, vs. exclusive water franchise in Dawson. Henry W. Matson, Charles E.G. Powell Resolved, that as the petition of Mr. and Thomas Johnson, defendants. The Word was refused the \$200 deposited by action involves the title to creek claim Col. Word with his petition for an ex- No. 4 below discovery on Sulphur.

Water Front Taleves. Persons who own small boats which

are tied near the shore of the river, should exercise some care over their property if they wish to retain it. Nu-merous reports have been made to the effect that boats have been loosened from their moorings; and no doubt such acts have been committed by unscrupulous individuals, who are anxis us for im-

mediate transportation to the lower river

Loaded With Lime.

Yesterday afternoon, a scow loaded with lime arrived in Dawson from the kilns at the mouth of Sixtymile river. During the past winter several men have been employed in that locality, where whree kilns, each of 10 ton's capa per week, have been burning steadily The commercial product, is of g quality, and has been used quite exten sively in Dawson. Messrs. Harry B wards and Charles Beggs are the ow ot the enterprise; and they expect increase the number of their kilns du ing the present season.

Bitten by a Dog.

C. E. Schultz was very severely bit in the face yesterday by a large Ne foundland dog with whom he came in contact in some manner not stated. Di Bourke sewed up the wound, five stite being necessary to hold the flesh and skin together.

They Didn't Like It.

Yesterday evening an attempt made to muzzle one of the street s men of the Daily Nugget who was call ing out the announcement that the pa contained a full account of the receiving bribes being prefer one of Assistant Gold Com Bell's clerks, William Struthers name. The attempt was not su and the vender of news was not in dated. On the other hand he p cuted his trade with that vigor is natural to a man who is fully his job.

The statement made some time ag Mr. Bell that the gold comm office is run for the people and again the newspapers is now, in part, again applicable. The Nugget is run for the people and not for or against the go commissioner's office. and

Special Power of Attorney forms le at the Nugget office.