

## BENEFIT FOR MATT PROBST.

### People Turn Out En Masse to Aid the Injured Fireman.

Every Seat in Palace Grand Occupied—  
Fairly Good Program Presented—  
Receipts Highly Satisfactory.

When the curtain rose on the first number of the program last night at the Palace Grand, the occasion being a benefit for Matt Probst, the fireman who suffered a broken arm by an accident which occurred in engine house No. 1, during the progress of the fire on January 10th, there was not a vacant seat in the house and the aisle was packed from the door to the orchestra. Mr. Eddie O'Brien was stage manager and during the entire program there was not a moment's delay between acts.

The Yukon Field Force band under the leadership of Sergeant McKinnon, discoursed several selections during the evening, all of which were exceedingly fine and enthusiastically received.

Miss Ross had not sufficiently learned "The Man on the Dump," with the result that she got her recitation very much muddled.

Little Miss Ruth McCormick, by her clever singing and exquisite acting, completely captured the audience and responded to two encores.

A feature of the program which was most enthusiastically received was the cake walk as performed by Ernestine Tiernan and Lulu Prather, the latter being dressed as a little boy in white sailor suit. The little ones went through their cakewalk with the skill of veterans, each seeming to be specially adapted for her part. Both entered heartily into the spirit of the occasion evoking much applause.

Capt. Jack Crawford was good as he invariably is; but had he cut out from thirdly to tenthly inclusive the majority of the audience would have been better pleased. Capt. Jack was too lengthy.

Among the very best features were the renditions by the firemen's string band of four banjos, a guitar and mandolin. The sextette played nicely together and responded to a most vociferous encore.

Miss Cecil Marion made a fine appearance on the stage and rendered two vocal solos in a pleasing manner.

Dawson's favorite, Miss Annie O'Brien, always welcome, was never more so than last night and her several sentimental songs only served to further endear the little lady to her hearers. Later, with her father, she assisted in the rendition of several excellent musical specialties.

Conchita fully sustained her enviable reputation as an entertainer of great ability. She was called back no less than five times, and each time her production was more entertaining than before.

To the managers of the fair, Messrs. Tennant and Stingle, ably assisted by Chief Stewart and other members of the fire department is due great credit for its success, and the large sum realized will be a royal gift to the poor, unfortunate man, Mr. Matt Probst, for whose benefit it was given. As all the performers kindly donated their services for the occasion for which they were publicly thanked by Manager Tennant, there was but little expense connected with the entertainment. The exact amount to be turned over to Mr. Probst will not be known until all accounts are audited tonight, but Chief Stewart thinks the amount will be in the neighborhood of \$1000.

#### Knocked to Smitherees.

Several weeks ago at a meeting of the trustees of the Board of Trade the secretary was instructed to procure a register in which it was proposed that not only every member of the organization but every man in the city would be asked to place his name and place of business; especially was it the object to have all

who contemplated leaving for either up or down the river to call at the secretary's office and enroll his name, the date of his intended departure and the point for which they were destined.

Mr. Clayton, secretary of the Board of Trade, procured the book, but that is as far as the proposition has been carried. A few names may appear on its pages, but only a few. It is safe to assert that not two per cent of the people who have left during the past two months for either up or down the river have left any evidence of their departure further than that which may happen to be known by their friends, but in most cases, should an accident befall the traveler, the memory of his friends would greatly vary as to the date of his departure.

There is not in Dawson today a person who actually knows within several hundred the exact number who have left here over the ice for Nome. One man will tell you he is certain that not to exceed 600 have gone while another is ready to swear that he has with his own eyes counted upwards of 1200, to say nothing of those who started very early in the morning before he got down town. Hundreds have gone, but how many hundreds no one can tell nor is there now any possible way of determining.

At the time navigation closed last fall nearly the exact census of the Yukon district was known for the reason that it was known the number who had arrived during the season by way of steamers on the lower river, and as for the upper river very few, if any, passed Tagish without registering. But all census records of the territory have been smashed by the Nome exodus without, to our knowledge, anything having been done to prevent it. Travelers may be required to register at the international boundary line where an imitation of collecting customs duty is made by one of Uncle Sam's representatives, but if he keeps tab on the travelers who pass that way we are not so informed.

The local papers are probably subject to censor for not "boosting" the Board of Trade's registering proposition more than they did but the fact remains that it has been and is a dead letter, and there is no way of knowing whether 300 or 2000 people have left Dawson within the past three months.

#### LOCAL BREVITIES.

Gold Commissioner Senkler did not try any disputes today.

The territorial court will not convene till March 1st, when the trial of cases on the criminal calendar will be commenced.

About 15 dog teams departed for Nome today. The stampede to the new camp has been stimulated by the moderation in weather.

Dr. Yemans, of the Empire Line, is in receipt of a telegram from Gates Fabnestock announcing his arrival at Bennett on the 23d.

The hockey match on Saturday between the Dawson Club and the Yukon Garrison Club resulted in a victory for the latter team by a score of 5 to 1.

Owing to the illness of the teacher, Sister Mary Joseph, the school known as Father Gendreau's, will take a vacation for this week. Sister Mary is a victim of the hard colds which are now prevalent in the city.

Chief Stewart of the fire department, keeps his men free from ennui these days by having them practice on runs, hose connections and such other features as belong to the work of successfully combating fires.

There is a rumor to the effect that Cecil Marion has a surprise in store for her many friends at the opening of the new Orpheum tonight. The gown she will wear will be a stunner, and is liable to be the cause of many envious glances.

Fred Farenholtz, a miner employed on 18 below discovery, Sulphur, suffered a severe fracture of the arm Friday last. He was hauling wood for the mine when his sled broke away on a hillside. In trying to get away he fell and the accident occurred. Dr. Wilcoxon, on whose claim he was employed, set the arm, using a candle box from which he made a set of splints.

#### The Orpheum Will Open.

Everything has been arranged for the opening of the Orpheum tonight. The best of local vaudeville talent has been

engaged, and besides the production of a comedy entitled "Whose Baby," a very interesting olio will be given. The management is prepared to give an excellent entertainment, and undoubtedly its effort will be rewarded by liberal patronage.

#### POLICE COURT.

In Major Perry's court this morning, Louis Smith blushed and plead guilty to violating the Yukon health ordinance to the extent of \$1 and costs, which he paid.

To the charge of throwing coffee grounds and potato peelings on the street Mesdames Sawyer and Winsky plead ignorance of the law. "Anyway, it was only dishwater." No fine was imposed and the ladies were instructed to be more careful in the future.

F. J. McGade was up on the same charge and proved that the collection of tin cans that had brought him into court had been gathered up by him to be taken to the garbage dump on the ice, and that the officer had appeared before the garbage sled. Mr. McGade proved by the officer that his premise, aside from the pile of tin cans, are the most cleanly in his part of the city, Sixth street, near Fourth avenue, where the ladies above mentioned also reside. McGade was not fined.

The case of B. F. Thompson vs. Wilcoxon, Gates & Green for \$88.65, labor performed on 18 below on Sulphur, was dismissed on the plaintiff's evidence, it being evident that he never gave defendants an opportunity to intelligently settle with him. Dr. Wilcoxon appeared in the role of attorney with such success as to lead to the belief that he had mingled the study of Blackstone with that of physics.

The case against C. A. Mathews, charged with maintaining himself by gambling, was set for hearing this afternoon.

#### Salvation Army Entertainment.

Tomorrow evening at 8 o'clock the Salvation Army will give an interesting entertainment in the Masonic temple on Mission street. A tableau piece has been arranged, which is comprised of five scenes. Refreshments will be served and to those who will attend is promised a pleasant time. Tickets are 50 cents each, and may be procured at the army hall, or from any member of the organization.

The Orpheum opens its doors tonight to the public. Nat Goodwin's celebrated comedy, "Whose Baby?" will be produced.

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#### Notice.

Notice is hereby given that an application will be made to the commissioner in council of Yukon territory for an ordinance to ratify and confirm the letters patent issued on the 14th day of October, 1898, by William O. Silvie, Esq., commissioner of Yukon territory, to the Dawson Electric Light and Power Company, Limited, or for the incorporation of the said company for the purposes and objects specified in said letters patent.

And for a grant to the said corporation of the exclusive right and privilege of laying or fixing wires, and supplying and furnishing, by electricity, light, heat and power, within the limits of the City of Dawson, and of Klondike City, and lands adjacent thereto, subject to such restrictions, terms and conditions as may be approved, and to confirm and ratify a certain trust deed of the said company, dated 22d June, 1899.

And to increase the capital stock of the said company to \$150,000.

And to grant to the said corporation power to issue debenture bonds, and other securities, and to acquire, hold and sell real and personal property, and to grant all other powers and privileges incidental to such undertakings or any of them, and with all usual powers and privileges.

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Advocates for the Applicants.

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