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INSULTING THE COMMUNITY.

The unwarranted attack made upon the citizens' committee by the so-called government "organ" calls for some little comment. As far as the people of Dawson are concerned, nothing need be said, for the "organ" has not been taken with any degree of seriousness in Dawson since many long months past.

But it is barely possible that a stray copy or two may have found their way to the outside, and some credulous newspapers be disposed to attach importance to what the organ has to say.

It must not be forgotten that the committee was appointed by a public mass meeting of citizens, and that at a subsequent meeting, the largest and most representative gathering ever held in Dawson, the committee was enthusiastically and unanimously endorsed.

When, therefore, the "organ" goes out of its way to insult the committee, that insult extends to every man who participated in the meeting.

The "organ" accuses the committee of endeavoring to injure the credit of the territory, in an effort to manufacture campaign material for outside purposes. It occurs to us to wonder just what object the committee, the membership of which includes men who are most extensively interested in the prosperity of the territory, could possibly have in injuring its reputation or credit. Any such action on the part of the committee would simply mean a stab at their own personal interests, and we credit the committee with the possession of too much business acumen to entertain such a proposition for a moment.

The committee as at present constituted is a most representative body; in fact, admirably so. It includes men selected from all classes of citizens, and the policy pursued thus far must indicate to any unprejudiced mind that its members, as a whole, have been actuated by an earnest desire to advance the welfare of the community at large, leaving other considerations aside.

The "organ's" attack upon the committee was not only uncalled for, but is in extremely bad taste. It does not, however, affect the standing of the committee or of its individual members in Dawson. The public appointed the committee, and the latter has shown that it has deserved the confidence of the public. It will require far more than abuse from the "organ" to shake that confidence.

PURSuing A BAUBLE.

Admiral Dewey will discover that there is quite a difference between the idolized hero of a whole nation and an aspirant for honors at the hands of a political party. If Dewey is influenced by political manipulators sufficiently to allow his name to go before the country as a presidential candidate, he will make the mistake of his life.

The honors he has already won are far greater than any he could possibly hope to achieve as the

chief executive of the great commonwealth. Without experience in the mysteries and intricacies of statesmanship, Dewey has nothing upon which to base a campaign for the presidency, aside from the fact that he is the hero of Manila and a man of sterling personal integrity.

We question if these will win him a victory, and certainly they are not the only qualifications required of a president of the United States.

Dewey, as the naval hero of America, need never doubt his hold upon the hearts of his countrymen. But to risk that hold by pursuing the bauble of political preferment, with an almost certainty of failure confronting him, is folly.

Despite the dispatches, we do not believe that Dewey will be a presidential candidate.

SKAGWAY TO INCORPORATE.

The most welcome news that Mr. Price, the delegate to Washington, brought us yesterday is that there are good hopes of the passage of the municipal bill. He is also of opinion that it will be reached and passed by the middle of next month, and, as it will become a law as soon as signed, the present city council should govern themselves accordingly. The ordinance passed at the last meeting was a good one, and to pass others, based upon an actual knowledge of conditions and municipal needs, would do no harm. They may or may not be adopted and carried out by those elected to have charge of the city's affairs, but they would at any rate be valuable suggestions, and, as such, welcome to the new council.

And, if one may safely predicate on the statements of Mr. Price, as undoubtedly we may, that in only a few weeks the city of Skagway will have the right to incorporate, there will soon be a talk of candidates for the honor of being the city's first representatives, and the ever-present politician hunting for a job will be looking up his friends and wearing his most beguiling smile. The fulfillment of Mr. Price's prediction that the municipal bill will pass is a matter all will look forward to with great interest.—Alaskan.

MOST EXTRAORDINARY.

The announcement of Assistant Gold Commissioner Bell that records of transfers and similar information of a public nature will no longer be given to the press is most extraordinary. The reason assigned by him for this action, viz., that parties who record transfers of claims complain that their secret business is made public, is, if anything, more extraordinary.

Mr. Bell should know that it was not until these records were given out for publication that the cloud of suspicion which formerly hung over the gold commissioner's office began to disappear.

The Nugget regrets any action that will tend to renew that cloud. We will, however, refrain from further comment until the assistant commissioner's superiors have confirmed his action or the order is revoked.

Steamboat men now at Skagway consider that navigation will open several weeks ahead of last year. The same prediction has been made every year for several years past, but it is always along in June before steamers can leave Bennett. If, however, the railway and steamboat companies carry out their announced intention of opening the lakes by means of dynamite, the situation

will be altered, and goods may arrive through from Bennett some time in May.

Woes of an Undertaker.

An undertaker of this city is constantly growling over the narrow limits to which his advertisements are confined. Just the other day, picking up a newspaper, the man of somber countenance turned over its pages until his eyes caught an attractive ad.

"See here," he said. "Now we have it. I will read: 'Make the children happy. Sensible presents that will delight the children.' Can we say that we have a special line of little plush caskets that will delight the children?"

"What special inducements can we offer to attract trade? Can we say, we will send some of our homemade coffins on trial, to be returned if not satisfactory?"

"Suppose we were to say that we had a special line of high grade caskets which we procured at a special dissolution sale, which we were offering at reduced rates to those who call early. I tell you it would not be considered professional. We cannot advertise any bargain sales in our business. We cannot say that we have bargains hitherto unheard of that will delight and astonish all who call upon us.

"Just notice this," said the sad one, turning over another page of the paper and reading from the woman's department: 'Cut this ad out and send to us. State your weight and height; also the number of inches around the waist and bust, and we will send you a beautiful plush cape by express, subject to your examination, and if found perfectly satisfactory, you may send us the money for it. If not satisfactory, return to us at our expense.' Now, there is a great piece of business enterprise, but we don't feel at liberty to branch out in that way.

"Then there is that splendid scheme of testimonials. A man writes a letter stating how well he is satisfied with the goods, and the advertiser runs to the newspaper with it. It might be proper for a man to say that he has tried John Doe's sassafras and found it satisfactory. We can get no one to say that he has used our burial boxes and that he has found them satisfactory.

"Talk about men being born free and equal, it isn't so. Other men are advertising for a special trade, and we simply have to sit here and take what comes. We can't even say 'trade solicited.'"—Rochester Herald.

Prosperous Bennett.

Bennett is flourishing—not boisterously so, but moving along a trifle in advance of the procession of most burges in the province. The past couple of weeks found our merchants and hotel men doing a large business. Many new enterprises have been started and persons from other parts of the world have decided to cast their lot with this new but rising city. And speaking of climates, right here at this season of the year Bennett can't be beat for climate.—Bennett (B. C.) Sun.

Yukon Theosophists.

The Yukon Theosophists entertained a large audience last evening at its regular weekly open meeting. Mr. Wall read a most interesting paper on the theme of "Why He May Become a Theosophist." The reason or reasons why were so plainly pointed and pertinent that every one present seemed to appreciate them as their own, judging from the hearty approval and generous applause with which they were greeted, and the number of interesting questions which followed the reading of the paper. Mr. Wall was requested by unanimous vote of the club to give his admirable paper to the press for publication, as it was too useful and truthful for the mere adornment of an archive pigeonhole. The club will hold another open meeting on next Wednesday evening, when its chairman, Mr. Crum, will read a paper on "Theosophical Thoughts and Literature."

John Nelson's Funeral.

The Y. O. O. P. society held a meeting last night and determined upon the details which will be connected with the burial of the remains of John Nelson, deceased. Funeral services will occur in the Pioneer hall at 2 o'clock next Saturday afternoon. The body will be interred in the Y. O. O. P. cemetery. Many beautiful floral designs are being made of artificial flowers at the instance of the dead man's friends and acquaintances.

Chewing tobacco \$1 per pound. Royal Grocery, Second ave.

The Holborn Cafe for delicacies.

Get your eyesight fixed at the Pioneer drug store.

"Mainland" and "British Lion" cigars 25 cents. Rochester Bar, cor. Second ave. and Third sts.

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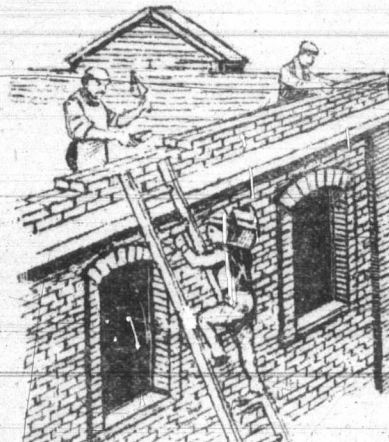
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