

ROUTINE WORK OF COUNCIL

Performed at Regular Meeting Last Night.

Special Inspector Reports Carboneau's Claim Unsafe—Doctor's Big Bills—One School Trustee Selected.

The regular meeting of the Yukon council last night was a long drawn out affair and was productive of much business being disposed of in proper form.

Messrs. Ogilvie, Dugas, Senkler, Wood, Wilson and Prudhomme.

A petition from Attorneys McKinnon and Noel asking for the incorporation of the Whitehorse Light & Power Co., was referred to the committee on civil justice.

Applications for the position of inspector of drifts in mines were laid over until a future meeting.

A communication from people at Selkirk was read asking that the season for killing game be extended to April 1st, as the present law, January 1st, will work a hardship on Selkirk Indians; no action was taken.

A bill from Whitehorse of \$14 for burying James Smith, drowned in the rapids at that place in '99, was allowed.

Bills from public vaccinators on the creeks, Dr. La Chappelle and Lambert, for extra work such as taking affidavits, were not allowed, it being the unanimous sentiment of the council that as the doctors are paid \$30 per day each for his services, no charge for extras would be allowed.

A communication from Attorney Wm. McKay, secretary of the Dawson Bar Association, asked that no action be taken by the council relative to the appointment of official stenographer until conference is held with the association represented by him.

Judge Dugas said doctor bills were coming in rather too thickly to conform with his ideas of economy and suggested that efforts were being made to work the council as a charitable institution.

Bids from the various newspapers in Dawson for printing had been received and placed on file. On motion, the finance committee's report was adopted.

Councilman Wilson asked why bids for printing had not been acted upon and was informed that it had not been the intention to award contracts when calling for the bids; that there are times when any paper may be awarded a job of printing and in such cases it is desired that it be known what price will be charged.

The secretary was instructed to inform the Yukon Trust Co. that it can incorporate on payment of the usual fee.

Mr. Wilson wanted information as to whether or not the report that the government is paying men employed on the Klondike bridge only 70 cents an hour is true. Mr. Ogilvie said the men get \$7 per day and Mr. Wilson wanted to know how that could clear the \$5 per day as required by ordinance regarding public works laborers.

He thought the laborers on the bridge should be paid \$8 per day. He was informed that \$2 per day was the living expense estimated in the government labor ordinance.

Major Wood asked for permission to furnish a grubstake to the old man Ellis who has been taken care of at the barracks all winter, the latter expressing a desire to go up to Last Chance where he has an interest in a claim. Ellis is an old man and is a source of considerable annoyance not only to Major Wood but also to Mr. Ogilvie whom he persists in visiting for several hours each day.

A motion instructed Major Wood to use his discretion in outfitting the old man.

Major Wood asked if anything was being done relative to the appointment of an inspector of mines, adding that he had been furnished with a report from Mr. Powers who had been appointed by Magistrate McDonell to inspect C. E. Carboneau's claim, 41 above on Bonanza, in which Samuel Nelson was killed two weeks ago, and that negligence on the part of the owner was charged in the report.

Mr. Senkler read the law giving to the mining inspector authority to inspect claims as to their safety, but said his other duties are so onerous as to not allow him time for such inspection.

It was recommended that one or two mine inspectors should be appointed

and that Ottawa pay the bills as it gets all profits from the mines.

Mr. Wilson asked what action had been taken regarding the establishment of a postoffice on the government concession on Hunker creek. Mr. Ogilvie said he had taken steps, to have it established; had spoken to a postoffice inspector about it and had written to Ottawa. Postmaster Hartman had been instructed to inquire further about the matter on his present visit to the Dominion capital.

An ordinance relating to barroom window blinds during prohibited hours was introduced by Major Wood and put on its first and second readings.

An ordinance reopening the court of tax revision was introduced by Judge Dugas and, being a matter of urgency, was read three times and passed.

For school trustee Mr. R. P. McLennan was named by the Protestant element and unanimously elected.

Mr. Henry Macaulay was named by Mr. Prudhomme as the Roman Catholic member but as he had not definitely stated he would accept, the latter appointment was deferred until Monday night when a called meeting of the council will be held. In the meantime Messrs. Dugas and Prudhomme will agree upon a Catholic member for the board of school trustees.

The appointment of a boiler inspector was left to the commissioner of public works.

The council adjourned to meet in special meeting at the chamber, the territorial courtroom, next Monday night, when all unheard petitions regarding assessments will be heard.

Liquid Air.

Charles E. Tripler, the famous experimenter in liquid air, recently went to Boston to visit his friend, Elihu Thompson, the electric expert. He took with him a can of liquidified air. It was a quart can of the coldest thing on earth that Mr. Tripler had in this can, and he took it with him to luncheon, where he put it on the floor by his chair. They lunched in a hotel cafe and ordered a steak. After it had been brought in and while the waiter's back was turned, Mr. Tripler lifted it from the platter opened the can and exposed the meat to the liquid air. When he put it back on the platter it was hard as a rock.

"Waiter," called Mr. Tripler, "come here." The waiter obeyed.

"What's the matter with this steak?" he asked, anxiously.

And he lifted it from the plate by two fingers and struck it with his knife. The frozen meat rang like a bell.

"I d-d-on't k-n-ow, sir, he faltered, and he started for the head waiter on the run.

Mr. Tripler, by the way, is one of the fiercest-looking men in the inventing business. His mustache is of the pirate cut, and his eyebrows bristle and meet in the middle. Therefore the head waiter approached him with almost timidity.

"Do you serve your steaks like this as a rule?" asked Mr. Tripler, as he struck the time of day on it.

"It's that fool chef," exclaimed the waiter as he started for the kitchen.

A few minutes later the chef appeared with the head waiter. He recognized the steak by sight at once. Then Mr. Tripler took it up and rang it again.

"Mercy! Gracious!" ejaculated the chef, piously crossing himself. "I didn't do it, sure!"

Then Mr. Tripler laughed and Mr. Thompson smiled. A new steak was ordered and the frozen one carried below to fool the rest of the kitchen.—Ex.

COMING AND GOING.

L. F. Cooke, of Baker City, Oregon, registered at Hotel McDonald.

A. L. Smith, of 24 below Bonanza, is spending a few days in town.

Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Spalding from Hunker are registered at the McDonald hotel.

Dan McGillivray arrived from the outside Wednesday and is registered at the McDonald.

E. M. Culbertson leaves today to take charge of Cleveland's roadhouse at the mouth of Eureka.

Mr. Wm. Butler of 34 above Bonanza, is in town for a few days and is stopping at the McDonald hotel.

The largest mail of the winter was brought in last night consisting of 34 sacks—28 sacks for Dawson and six for lower river points.

Mrs. Catherine Spencer, one of Dawson's old timers, returned from a trip to Seattle Wednesday and is stopping at the McDonald hotel.

Mr. W. Porah, of the timber office received a wire from his brother, who is on his way to Dawson, yesterday noting his safe arrival at Selkirk.

Any kind of wine \$5 per bottle at the Regina Club hotel.

Creek orders a specialty. Cribbs & Rogers, druggists. c23

Full fresh stock of spring medicines. Cribbs & Rogers. c23

More Gold Creek Stamped.

The latest scene of action mapped out for the stampede is More Gold creek a tributary to Dominion, opposite the mouth of Gold Run. A man recorded a claim there the other day and made a discoverer's affidavit to the effect that he had found a 25 cent nugget and colors running all through the gravel. The fact got abroad and created the usual effect. Men and women, with horse and dog teams, some on bicycles and many on foot making a grand rush for the new discovery. It is said that 30 claims have already been staked and that there is two miles more of ground upon which stakes will probably be driven.

Forty-three pup on Gold Run was also the scene of a stampede last evening. Cleveland's roadhouses at the Dome and on Gold Run, and Williams' roadhouse were all crowded to their utmost capacity. One party of five left their bicycles at Cleveland's at the Dome intending to make the balance of the trip on foot. After they had walked five miles they found the trail in such good condition that they went back after their bikes, kicking themselves all the way for being so foolish. Another party telephoned ahead for a relay at the Dome so they could go right on without stopping. Great excitement is prevailing throughout all the creeks.

Penalties of Civilization.

I am not an alarmist, but I am free to say that in the course of time it will be impossible to provide enough insane asylums, jails and hospitals for the degenerates and useless if people are not made to understand that the highest service that can possibly be rendered to humanity is to give to the world well behaved, intelligent, sound and active children, while it is criminal to burden it with ill-tempered, nervous, ignorant, sickly and lazy progeny.

While good and profitable traits in individuals are capable of improvement by care, education, proper food and a proper mode of life, the advance of the individual does not necessarily benefit his progeny—hence race improvement is a most difficult problem.

It is claimed that the civilized races are degenerating because weaklings and sickly individuals are kept artificially alive by improvements made for the benefit of public health. Where these improvements have no existence, the victims of scrofula and kindred diseases, the insane and crippled, are doomed to early death.

This advantage which savage nations have over the civilized ones and over humanity is not to be underestimated, for the early death of undesirable individuals makes the perpetuation of disease by inheritance impossible. With us, as everybody knows, hereditary disease decimates families, infects whole villages and townships. It is a distinct cause of the degeneration of the civilized races.

Alcoholism is a third cause of race degeneracy, according to general belief. For my part, I think it more of a symptom than a cause of degeneration. I am not sure of its hereditary qualities either, but know that it weakens the character of progeny, and a weak man or woman is easily turned into a drunkard. Then there is the bad example.

Aside from the above, civilized life is unhealthy, because it forces the individual to swallow quantities of poison all the time. Alcohol is in the air, nicotine is in the air. No one who moves, among his fellowmen can escape them.

Neither can he guard against dangerous bacilli, instigators of disease. They follow him as he walks across the carpeted floor; he drinks them in the glass of water or wine offered at a friend's house. Death or disease may lurk in the very handshake.

Illness provoking air, pregnant with subtle poisons, floats in our city streets, encompasses us in our houses and benumbs our sense of caution in the sweet-smelling boudoir.

The dregs of the poison that our parents and grandparents inhaled and imbibed are in our blood. Civilized man's body is a sponge that constantly absorbs things that hurt him—that will make him suffer physically or mentally. Because their grandfather liked to get drunk, some people are afflicted with a chronic feeling of alternate exultation and depression which may intensify into melancholy and kill them. We hire a wet nurse for our beloved baby, the apple of our eye, and for all we know he may drink the germs of insanity, of criminality with every drop of milk. Taking it all in all, the life of civilized man is unnatural, and consequently leads to degeneration.—Max Hauschofer in S. F. Examiner.

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