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FRIDAY, DECEMBER 21, 1900.

PAYS TO BE HONEST.

A newspaper gains nothing by resort to such illegitimate methods as are pursued by the News. The story published by that paper respecting an alleged strike in the Tanana country which story was shown in last night's issue of the Nugget to have been made practically out of whole cloth, was on a par with the matter which appeared in the News' "mining edition" published last spring.

In that issue, an attempt was made to review the work of the preceding winter on the various creeks, the material for which was drawn as was the Tanana story from the imagination of the writer. In both instances a few additional papers were probably sold but the ultimate effect more than counter-balanced the temporary financial gain.

Even if the News is not possessed of any particular scruples respecting such matters, it would appear that our obtuse contemporary would sooner or later discover the fact that it ought to be honest for reasons of policy, if for no other.

OUR SPECIAL NUMBER.

On Monday the Nugget's special holiday number will be issued. It will contain 20 pages of the size of the regular paper and will be filled from cover to cover with interesting and valuable information respecting Dawson and the mining district of which it is the center. Notwithstanding the size and cost of production of the special number there will be no increase in the price. Twenty-five cents, the regular cost of the daily will be the price charged for the special issue whether purchased singly or by the hundred.

A feature of the special will be the story written by Chester Whitman Tennant in competition for the prize of \$50 offered by the Nugget. Other interesting features will be detailed descriptive articles relating to Dawson, and the Klondike mining district. In connection with the latter a fund of accurate statistical information will appear which has never before been published. The special number will also contain a digest of the important laws affecting the miner and prospector, particular attention having been given to the more recently enacted amendments to the mining regulations.

It will be handsomely illustrated with engravings designed and made by our own staff artists.

Altogether the Nugget holiday number will be the most accurate and complete presentation of actual prevailing conditions in the territory that has yet been given publication.

Dawson is face to face with the problem of incorporation. Last evening the council decided to allow one month for the people to make known definitely their desire for incorporation, failing which, collection of taxes by the council for local purposes will be enforced. The point which will decide the great majority of people in the town is the matter of expense. Will the tax rolls be heavier with Dawson governed by a regularly elected municipal council than under the present Yukon council.

A definite determination of that question will enable an intelligent opinion to be expressed in the matter. We do not know of any serious complaints against the present system of local government and unless it is demonstrated that a change will bring an improvement we favor the existing order of things. What we want is information.

We want to know the probable cost of conducting the municipality as compared with the present cost. We want to know over what local revenues the municipality would have control. We also desire to know what will be the qualifications of voters. With those questions answered it will be an easy matter to determine whether Dawson will be the gainer by becoming an incorporated town.

If it is a fact that the mail contractors are neglecting to forward mail consignments for the sake of accepting express matter for delivery in Dawson, the sooner that fact is ascertained the better. The reasons advanced by the agents of the contractors for failure of mail to come are not entirely satisfactory. It is doubtless a fact that the trail is not as yet in as good condition as it will be later on in the season, but we believe from all reports that it is in every respect equally as good right now as it was at the same time last winter. Everyone will remember the splendid service which was given then and it is quite pertinent to inquire why the same or better is not afforded at the present time. We are pleased to note the fact that the Yukon council has gone into the matter and trust that they will give it thorough investigation.

We never heard of any answer being received from that lengthy telegram which was sent in French and English to Mr. Sifton. We wonder if the minister overlooked it, or was the whole thing another creation of the News' fairy tale writer?

The opium fiend has been discovered in our midst. And yet there are people who still say that Dawson hasn't all modern improvements.

The News appeared last night in the role of champion of the demi-monde. At last the News has found its proper sphere.

STAMP OF POLITICS.

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local hospitals, and there would have to be delay before this could be done.

The feature of the evening came when Councilman Wilson got up and said he had a notice of motion which he wanted to present. He did so in a long preamble of which a synopsis is given because of its somewhat peculiar wording, that is, peculiar in view of recent developments, and the remarks it caused at the time:

The preamble dealt largely with a recent speech or speeches of Sir Wilfrid Laurier in which he was quoted many times on the subject of lack of adequate information from the Yukon territory, and in which frequent reference was made to the fact that an election was about to be held for the purpose of selecting two more members to represent the public on the Yukon council, and that after their entrance upon the business of that body more definite information could be expected concerning the needs as well as the desires of the people with regard to parliamentary representation, etc., etc., etc.

Both the party platforms were given at length, and altogether the notice of motion with all its whereases and explanations was a very long document, the following of which, owing to its statecraft and diplomatic clothing, required close attention.

When Mr. Wilson closed the reading of the matter, and the long type-written document had gone to the secretary, Justice Dugas said:

"I will not accept that preamble. It contains some slurs, and shows the work of a politician."

Mr. Wilson: "I am not here to try to run the council, and if the council does not like my words—all they have to do is to throw them out. So far as the views expressed are concerned they are my own."

Justice Dugas: "We are not here to discuss political platforms. That preamble was drawn by a politician and contains a slur. It is not that I object to the bringing up of the matter in

question, but I object to the wording of the preamble."

Mr. Senkler also objected, and Mr. Wilson wanted to know if he was to understand that his motion had been defeated.

Mr. Ogilvie voted against it, which left it defeated. The commissioner then poured oil upon the troubled waters by suggesting that the objectionable motion be withdrawn and replaced by one in which a committee would attend to the matter in question, and to this Mr. Wilson agreed, whereupon peace, the beautiful white winged dove which had so shortly before been threatened with annihilation by the hawk-beaked bird of war, once more presided over an harmonious meeting.

Considerable discussion was heard concerning the manner in which the mails are being handled.

Justice Dugas had been informed by gentlemen whose names he was not at liberty to disclose that the C. D. Co. was neglecting its mail contract for the purpose of carrying freight at the rate of \$2 per pound. It had been stated that there was some 47 sacks of mail at Whitehorse which had lain there during the past six weeks because of this abuse. He did not for a moment desire to be understood as condemning the company on these grounds, but, inasmuch as the mails were delayed more this year than last, and that such reports were common, he thought the matter one for investigation.

Councilmen Wilson and Prudhomme together with the Commissioner were made a committee to confer with the transportation companies with a view to securing better freight rates, and in the matter of the mails, it was decided that Commissioner Ogilvie as mail inspector should confer with Postmaster Hartman and others and communicate with the postmaster general; if investigation showed the matter well founded.

The question of street obstructions and street loiterers was discussed and referred to the proper committee.

The Salvation Army sent in a communication asking for aid for the shelter, and Justice Dugas and Mr. Senkler were chosen a committee to visit the shelter and look into the merits of the request.

Mr. Wilson wanted to know something about a report which he said had been published to the effect that Mr. Matheson had received \$100,000 from the council for work for which there had been no call for bids on.

No one else had seen the publication and on its being stated that the council had not had that much money to spend, the question drifted away into the realm of things forgotten.

In the matter of the privileges asked for by the A. E. Co. in operating a street car system, it was decided to ask Mr. Fulda to a conference for the purpose of discussing the matter. Mr. Prudhomme declared himself opposed to permitting the company to use the new bridge.

The council adjourned at 11 o'clock, and will not meet again till after the holidays.

Jesse Moore AA, Old Crow, Hermitage and Cyrus Noble by the bottle at the Pioneer.

Large Africana cigars at Rochester.

Seagram, '83, at Rochester Bar.

Short orders served right. The Holborn.

Rafael Cafe.

Frank Rafael has quit the ring and is now engaged in the peaceful occupation of caterer to the wants of the hungry public. He, together with H. Freeman, opens the Rafael Cafe tomorrow on the corner of Second avenue and Third street. Rafael is an old hand at the business and intends to make a reputation in Dawson as a boniface.

Silk mitts and gloves at Sargent & Pinaka's.

Granulated fresh laid eggs at Meeker's.

FOR Christmas Presents

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Swell Haberdashery, Silk Underwear, Fancy Mufflers, Globes all kinds, Silk Socks, every high class article pertaining to Gents' Furnishings and Tailor Made Clothing

OPPOSITE C. D. CO.'S DOCK.

Funeral Notice.

The funeral of the late Alexander Godfrey will take place Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock from Masonic hall on Mission street and will be under the auspices of the Masonic Association. All Masons and friends are requested to attend.

DR. C. H. WELLS,
Chairman Association.
J. A. DONALD, Sec.

Candles for the Millions.

I have enough candles, nuts, and toys to supply the whole population of the Yukon country. My stock is complete. Plenty of Lowney's chocolate and Gunther's bon bons in any quantity; cigars by the box. Bring your friends and as I am a Missourian, I will show you the finest store in the Yukon territory.

GANDOLFO,
Third st., opp. A. C. C.

Six varieties fresh vegetables at Meeker's.

Notice.

Notice is hereby given that a list of all placer mining claims in the Yukon territory which were sold at public auction and which have not been taken up, is being prepared for publication at once, and after the first publication

thereof no grant will be issued, under such sale as aforesaid, for any claim so advertised. All purchasers are, therefore, notified to apply for their grants immediately.

(Signed) J. LANGLOIS BELL,
Assistant Gold Commissioner.
Dated at Dawson this 14 day of December, 1900.

Diamond mounting by Soggs & Vesco.

Films of all kinds at Goetzman's.

FULL LINE CHOICE BRANDS

Wines, Liquors & Cigars

CHISHOLM'S SALOON.

TOM CHISHOLM, Prop.

Fresh Stall Fed BEEF

All Kinds of Meats
Game in Season

Bay City Market

Chas. Bossuyt & Co.

THIRD STREET Near Second Ave.

The Last Stampede of 1900...

Is Now on

It started at daylight this morning headed by an old

SOUR DOUGH

who got a tip from the Nugget.

Where is the stampede to?

Why to the

N.A.T.&T.Co.'s

TOY

DEPARTMENT

Corner 1st Avenue and 12th Street

Opposite Fire Hall No. 1

Any little boy can show you the trail.

No Relocations

All New Claims

Get a move on you and secure your choice.

N. A. T. & T. CO.