

ELECTRIC LIGHTS REDUCED.

The Cost Now to Be 30 Per Cent Less Than Formerly Charged.

A 100-Horse Power Generator to Be Put Up and Local Industries Supplied With Power.

The shareholders of the Dawson Electric Light & Power Co., Ltd., met last week and discussed the policy to be pursued by the company for the coming year and also for the election of a board of directors. The former incorporation under the old law relative to incorporated bodies was ratified, also the proposition to increase the capital stock of the company, as the improvements necessitated by the increase of business fully warrants the expenditure of a larger sum of money than was originally anticipated.

Manager Donald B. Olson submitted his report with a detailed account of the progress of the company from August, '98, up to April 1st. His report shows the company to be in good shape financially, notwithstanding the difficulties encountered by the company in a city so far removed from the ordinary source of supply in material essential to the life of an electric light plant. His report was approved and the shareholders evidenced their satisfaction in his conduct of the affairs of the company. The following named gentlemen constitute a majority of the shareholders of the company: William Chappel, Samuel L. Stanley, Alex McDonald, David Doig, John Cannon, Thos. Cannon, and John H. Joslin.

The directors met immediately after the meeting of the shareholders and elected the following officers: W. Chappel, president; S. L. Stanley, vice-president; A. McDonald, treasurer; J. H. Joslin, secretary, and D. B. Olson, general manager.

In an interview with a Nugget representative Manager Olson in talking of the affairs of his company, said:

"We intend largely increasing our plant this season and will materially decrease the cost of lights to our customers. We expect to put in a power generator of 100 horse power and will then be in a position to supply power to machine shops, mills, printing presses or any enterprise requiring an ordinary amount of power."

When asked when this innovation would occur, Mr. Olson answered:

"Just as soon as the river opens the machinery will arrive, as it will be on the first boats to enter Dawson. We can then utilize our surplus power, as naturally lights will not be in as great demand during the summer months as in the winter. Next fall we will be prepared to light all business and private houses at a reduced cost. We have been experimenting with coal for fuel and find the results very satisfactory, as it is more economical, and fuel is our principal expense."

"What reduction in rates do you propose to make," was asked.

"Commencing May 1st, where charges are now for 16-candle power lights 35 cents a night, we will reduce to 25 cents, for 32-candle power, now 70 cents, we will then charge 50 cents, this being a very large reduction, about 30 per cent. Half night service will be 15 cents where formerly our charges were 20 cents a light. I feel particularly pleased," Mr. Olson added, "with the cordial feeling existing between our customers and the company, and this season we will bring in a general supply of fine fixtures, globes, chandeliers, etc., and will give service in proportion to the reception we have received."

"Our company believes in the future of this city, and the results will justify our expenditures. You will notice on First avenue a pole line which gives the town a metropolitan appearance; that is but a step in the direction we will follow, and if I do say it, the company will be as enterprising and progressive as the city; that is saying a great deal."

Decline of the Merchant Marine.

Does anybody understand what it is we have lost during the long and dismal period of governmental inaction in behalf of our merchant marine? Statistics of percentage are sometimes pathetic, sometimes exasperating. The figures of the decline of American shipping are both pathetic and exasperating. Forty years ago, in the year before the beginning of the civil war which enabled our chief rival, Great Britain, to supplant us on the seas, the proportion of American trade carried in American ships was 66 per cent, or two-thirds of the whole; and we were competing under favorable conditions with English ships for the foreign commerce

of other nations. Thirty years ago, our share of the business of carrying our own commerce was 33.1 per cent; it had dropped from two-thirds to one third. The next ten years brought it down from one-third to less than one-quarter, namely, from 33.1 to 23 per cent in 1879. In 1889 it had diminished to 14.3 per cent. In 1899 it had dwindled to 8.9 per cent. Of the stupendous total last year of \$1,806,876,073 of our exports and imports, more than nine-tenths, or \$1,646,232,067 was borne across the seas in foreign vessels. Less than one-tenth, only \$160,644,006, traveled under the American flag.—New York Sun.

Sheriff's Sale.

At 2 o'clock p. m. on Thursday, May 3d, 1900, Sheriff Eilbeck will offer for sale at public auction two separate mining interests. In the case of Jephson, Hawkins and Flannery vs. W. E. Thompson, the following described property will be sold under the writ of execution which has been issued in the cause, namely, all of the hillside claim, left limit, opposite the lower half of No. 29 below discovery on Bonanza creek.

In the action of Atkinson et al. vs. Hawkins and Hodgins, the sheriff will sell the defendants' undivided interest in the lower half of hillside claim, right limit, opposite No. 5 below A. Mack's discovery on Quartz creek.

Nearly Completed.

The work of widening the First avenue sidewalk out to 12 feet has been almost completed so far as the prescribed metes and bounds extend. In many places the old walk was entirely removed and new lumber put down, but generally a four foot addition was constructed, thus complying with the law as to width. The enlarged walks add greatly to the convenience of pedestrians who formerly, at certain hours of the day, had to elbow their various ways along the crowded thoroughfare; it also adds very largely to the general attractiveness of the street.

The Concert.

Another crowded house greeted the performers at the concert last night. Every seat in the house was taken, the boxes were crowded to their utmost capacity and a good many square feet of standing room were occupied by the eager listeners.

Public interest in the concert had been especially aroused owing to the fact that for the first time both Miss Lorne and Miss Tracie were to appear on the same program before a Dawson audience.

The fact that Miss Tracie had been ill and had announced her intention to sing if it were possible for her to leave her bed added to the general interest in the concert.

The singing of the two favorites proved the features of the evening and both acquitted themselves to their own credit and to the pleasure and satisfaction of the audience.

The style of each differs in so marked a degree from that of the other that neither seems to detract in any respect from the effect of the other's singing. The other performers were up to their usual standard of excellence. Mr. Bailey's clariinet solo was much enjoyed, as was also the string trio by Messrs. Dines, Skinner and Dines. The orchestra of 25 pieces under the leadership of Sergeant McKinnon did excellent work, which was fully up to the mark.

The First Bath.

To a boy named Lindemann, a son of Jeweler Lindemann, of J. L. Sale & Co., belongs the honor of taking the first bath in the Yukon of the season; but it was not voluntary, he having fallen into a deep hole in an unguarded moment this morning. He was soon rescued, and, dripping like a Newfoundland dog, rushed home for a change of raiment.

Notice.

Take notice that, under the provisions of the Merchants' Shipping Act of 1854, and amendments thereto, there will be sold at public auction on Saturday, the 5th day of May, 1900, at 2 o'clock in the afternoon, at the warehouse of The Canadian Development Co., Ltd., corner of First avenue and Third street, Dawson, Y. T., a quantity of goods now lying there unclaimed, upon which there is overdue freight and storage.

LIST OF OWNERS AND FREIGHT DUE.

Consignee, No. Pkgs., Description, Charge.	
Lake of Woods Milling Co., 8,700 lbs flour	\$7.00
S. W. Brunn, 1 pkg.	6.50
C. Shaw, 12 pkgs groceries	76.75
J. H. Smith, 1 pkg papers	22.15
M. Marks, 500 lbs flour	102.75
B. Stackpole, 1 sack blankets	28.00
B. A. Brewery, 2 boxes	19.50
Eldorado Bottling Works, 6 boxes bottles	14.00
G. Hunter, 1 box papers	19.10
C. A. Wheatley, 1 pkg. camp outfit	17.50
E. Meeker, 2 pkgs groceries	9.50
W. J. Gervay, 2 pkgs wearing apparel	27.00
L. V. Harm, 2 washings	18.00
Logan & Butters, 5 pkgs tamale supplies	210.00
W. Munroe, 1 box	7.00
Isaac Edinger, 1 pkg.	1.50
Dr. H. W. Robertson, 1 pkg.	19.00
N. Leopold, 1 pkg.	1.50
J. Carmody, 1 pkg.	14.75
Patrick S. Hughes, 1 pkg.	31.75
The following goods, in addition to the charges named, are subject to duty:	
A. C. Pillsbury, 1 pkg photo supplies	\$19.00
F. C. Bausfield, 3 boxes machinery	263.50
W. H. Smallwood, 1 bag clothing	18.00
J. T. Thornquist, 1 pkg.	1.00
J. M. Wilson, 1 pkg.	7.10

Ladies' belt purses. Pioneer drug store.

The Holborn Cafe for delicacies.

BRIEF MENTION.

W. Garvin is visiting the city.

J. Martell is spending a few days in town.

J. M. Tahan is a recent arrival in the city.

M. McNeil is making a brief visit in Dawson.

Peter McStay, of Sulphur, is in town on a visit.

V. Diebold, of Sulphur creek is in town on business.

Harry Smith is greeting his Dawson acquaintances.

J. S. Edgren came to town from the creeks yesterday.

Richard Butler is enjoying a short vacation in the city.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Powden are visiting friends in the city.

Crown Prosecutor Wade made a visit to Grand Forks yesterday.

H. D. Irvine is in town. He will remain here for several days.

H. Harvey came to Dawson yesterday to attend to some business matters.

A few spring flowers are in bloom, high up on the hill northeast of the city.

O. W. Hobbs has almost recovered from his recent short but somewhat severe illness.

The new sidewalk on Mission street was badly needed; and it is a convenience that is much appreciated.

Messrs. Chisholm and Edwards are hastening the improvements which are being made to the Aurora dock.

George L. Graham, of Grand Forks, arrived in the city last night. He will return to the Forks this evening.

Under the direction of Mr. Whitely, the living whist practitioners are becoming quite proficient in their work.

Water from the Klondike is now flowing over the Yukon to a depth of two or three feet at places near the former's mouth.

The incoming mail has passed Selwyn. Owing to the poor condition of the river trail, the consignment is not expected to reach Dawson till Thursday.

The introduction of the iron pipe water system has compelled many private carriers to discontinue the occupation, which was quite remunerative a little while ago.

Within the past three days two insane persons, in addition to the number mentioned in this paper a few days since, have been cared for at the barracks, one of them yet being held that his case may be further considered.

Territorial Court.

Justice Dugas rendered a few decisions in the territorial court this morning.

In Sherman vs. Rowan, the application for the appointment of a receiver was refused with costs.

In McKay Brothers vs. Victoria & Yukon Trading Company, Justice Dugas decided that the plaintiffs could not be restrained from reading affidavits upon which the writ of attachment is based.

The appeal in Neilson vs. Waugh was dismissed; and an order was entered instructing the clerk to return to the appellant the check which was deposited for security of costs.

The hearing of the motion in Sutton and Bannerman vs. Gates and Wilcoxon was adjourned sine die.

In Williams vs. Faulkner, the motion to continue the receiver was enlarged till Friday.

A motion was made in Rehder vs. Perry to set aside the lis pendens filed in the action. Taken under advisement.

In Hawkins vs. Wright, Mr. Wade, attorney for the plaintiff, was given until tomorrow to select an arbitrator for his client.

An application for the appointment of a receiver was made in Smith et al. vs. Hughes. Taken under advisement.

In McDonald vs. Rice, a motion was made to continue the writ of injunction issued in the cause. Taken under advisement.

In Ames vs. Jensen, a motion was made to file a bill of interpleader. The bearing on the motion was continued to May 4th.

An order was entered in Nelson vs. Artaud requiring the plaintiff to file a certain affidavit on or before May 4th.

Boats For Sale.

For boats of all descriptions—scows, river boats, poling boats, Peterboro canoes, call at Bartlett Brothers'.

Watch our prices on high-class clothing. See our announcement on 4th page. Star Clothing House.

Special Power of Attorney forms for sale at the Nugget office.

FOR SALE.

FOR SALE—Hotel, with bar attached; good location; doing a good paying business. Inquire Eldorado Hotel, Grand Forks.—C27

PROFESSIONAL CARDS

ASSAYERS.

JOHN B. WARDEN, F. I. C.—Assayer for Bank of British North America. Gold dust melted and assayed. Assays made of quartz and black sand. Analyses of ores and coal.

LAWYERS.

WADE & AIKMAN—Advocates, Notaries, etc. Office, A. C. Office Building, Dawson.

PATTULLO & RIDLEY—Advocates, Notaries, Conveyancers, etc. Office, First Ave.

BELCOURT, McDONALD & SMITH—Barristers, solicitors, conveyancers, etc. Offices at Dawson and Ottawa. Rooms 1 and 2, Chisholm Block, Dawson. Special attention given to parliamentary work. N. A. Belcourt, Q. C., M. P., Frank J. McDougal, John P. Smith.

BURRITT & McKAY—Advocates, Solicitors, Notaries, etc. Offices, A. C. Office Building, Safety deposit box in A. C. vaults.

TABOR & HULME—Barristers and Solicitors, Advocates; Notaries Public; Conveyancers. Telephone No. 22. Offices, Rooms 1, 2, 3, Orpheum Building.

ALEX HOWDEN—Barrister, Solicitor, Advocate, etc. Criminal & Mining Law. Room 21 A. C. Co's office Block.

DOMINION LAND SURVEYORS.
TYRRELL & GREEN, Mining Engineers and Dominion Land Surveyors. Office, Harper st., Dawson.

MINING ENGINEERS.
RUFUS BUCK—Surveyor made of underground workings, ditches and flumes. Offices at Dawson and Forks.

NETLAND, C. E.—Underground surveys. Reports furnished on mining properties and hydraulic concessions. Office, Room 1, Dawson City Hotel.

THE THEATRES.

Palace Grand the Orpheum

Week of Monday, Apr. 23

First Time in Dawson—Beautiful Irish Drama

Kathleen Mavourneen

With a Full Cast and Scenic Effects.

OUR SPECIALTY ARTISTS ARE ALL CLEVER PEOPLE

Stillwater Willie's Wedding Night

John Mulligan and Gussie Lamore in the Title Role.

A RED-HOT TIME

Water in Abundance.

The McLennan, McFeeley & Matheson Water Company has constructed a standpipe near the store of Clark & Ryan on Second avenue and Sixth streets, which is 40 feet high and from the top of which sufficient water is constantly flowing to supply the wants of the entire city. The water falls over the top of the pipe and descends in the form of a shower on a radius of 20 feet of territory, which this afternoon was completely covered with tubs, buckets, cans and in fact, everything that will hold water; the people of that portion of the city believing that to catch water going to waste is cheaper than to buy it from water wagons.

Shoff, the Dawson Dog Doctor, Pioneer Drug Store.

NOTHING SPECIAL—EVERYTHING REGULAR

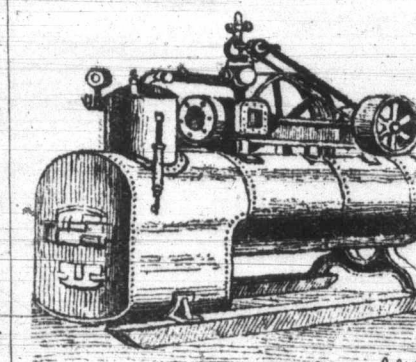
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