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THE STREET RAILWAY QUESTION.

It would be advisable, if by any means it can be accomplished, for the city council to ascertain definitely what the plans of the creek railroad company are, before deciding upon the matter of granting a street railway franchise. Of one thing the council may rest in perfect assurance, viz., the citizens and taxpayers of Dawson do not desire that the city shall be sidetracked for the benefit of Klondike City, when the much heralded railroad is built. That question has been threshed out repeatedly and there is an unanimous feeling among the people that the railroad should be brought directly into this city. If that object can be accomplished it is the desire of the community that steps in that direction be taken without unnecessary delay. It will by no means be satisfactory to the people of Dawson to know that the railroad company intends establishing its headquarters at Klondike City and leaving Dawson to make connections therewith as best it may.

If, however, such is the company's determination there is nothing to be gained by delaying the granting of a franchise to others who may be prepared to expend large sums in the construction of a street railway. Such an enterprise projected at this time would contribute materially toward throwing life and activity into local business, a consummation which is most devoutly and earnestly to be desired.

WELCOME, A. B.'S.

The grand camp of the Arctic Brotherhood convenes in Dawson today, a fact which the Nugget recognizes with much pleasure. To the visiting delegates we extend the heartiest of welcomes with the hope added that their stay in our city though short will be a most pleasant one.

The well known hospitality of the local members of the order furnishes the assurance that the guests of the local camp will be well cared for, but the public also has a deep interest in the affairs of the order and the visiting delegates may rest assured that their presence in the city is a source of general pleasure and satisfaction.

The Arctic Brotherhood has attained great strength in the north, by reason of the objects which it seeks to accomplish. It has brought hundreds of men within reach of social environments whose lives otherwise would be extremely lonesome and in many ways has contributed toward making the sojourn of its members in the north both pleasurable and profitable. The Nugget speaks long life and success to the A. B.'s.

If the same care is exercised in the choice of delegates to the coming

convention by the remaining primary meetings as was shown at Grand Forks, the assembly of August 23 will be able to make a strong appeal for the support of the territorial electorate. The most important thing to be guarded against is the possibility of having a convention pledged in advance to some wire puller who cannot command the respect or confidence of the community. Such a misfortune would be fatal to the purposes of the convention.

Seattle has waxed fat and wealthy from Klondike gold while Dawson has been permitted to suffer the consequences of restrictive legislative enactments. It seems remarkable but it is nevertheless a fact that the Yukon council has played directly into the hands of the enterprising Sound metropolis.

It is altogether probable that deputy minister Smart will bring with him the long-delayed writ of election. The treatment the Yukon has received in this connection is on a par with the manner in which the minister of public works has dealt with the telegraph operators.

Dawson is suffering from an overdose of blue legislation. Had the Yukon council kept its hands off of local matters and permitted the city authorities to deal therewith the situation would be entirely different.

The city council is making an effort to secure authority for the appointment of a municipal judge. Whence this sudden spirit of independence?

Statement Corrected

In a recent issue of the Nugget in reporting a protest that is being heard in the gold commissioner's court over a quarter interest in 59 below on Hunker formerly owned by Thos. Dolan, the statement was made that Dolan's power of attorney was held by Leroy Tozier, who had effected the sale. It has since been learned that such is not the case. The power of attorney in question was held by Edward Dolan, the comedian, a brother of the vendor, and it was he who made the sale instead of Mr. Tozier.

Cholera Panic in Cairo.

Cairo, July 26.—A panic prevails in the city on account of the cholera outbreak. The visitation is one of the most severe experienced for some time. The British garrison has been removed, with the exception of a small detail, to the open desert, where the troops are now encamped. Up to last night there were twenty new cases, making 124 cases to date and twenty-four deaths.

There are also many suppressed cases reported. Many of the natives are attacked in the street and die in a few minutes. The drinking fountains have been closed.

The scare has caused serious depression, both in the cotton and the financial markets.

Unimportant Demonstrations

Manila, July 27.—The anti-friar demonstration, which the municipal government had been informed was to be held here today, proved to be unimportant. The police forbade the holding of a procession and the reserves were assembled for the purpose of maintaining order. The leaders of the movement conducted a meeting at the Zorilla theater, but no disorder occurred. At the conclusion of the meeting, which was not largely attended, owing to the storm which prevailed, the crowd dispersed quietly.

William Filer, a steel worker, shot and killed his wife and Harry Bennett, a machinist, at Steelton, Pa. It is alleged Filer was jealous of Bennett's attentions to his wife. The murderer escaped.

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Perilous Voyage of Thetis

Nome, July 15.—The United States revenue cutter Thetis, Capt. Michael Healy, reached Nome today after her thirty-day cruise among the ice floes of Bering Straits and the Arctic Ocean in search of the imperiled steamers Portland and Jeanie. The Thetis undertook this hazardous voyage, leaving Nome June 15, following the heavy ice line along the western coast until June 25, when Cape Prince of Wales was reached.

At this point the straits presented a solidly blocked appearance, with an immense ice-field piled higher than the decks of the Thetis and extending unbroken to the Siberian shore, save one channel of perhaps five miles in width, where a strong current was carrying the ice-floes to the unknown north.

Into this possibly disastrous, ice-crushing torrent the Thetis sailed, and, crushed and jammed tight within the grip of the awful ice-pack, started on her now compulsory voyage to the relief of the imprisoned steamers.

This polar current carried them north by northeast without finding anything but a vast, unbroken expanse of grinding ice until Point Hope was sighted. At this time sufficient open water was found to change the course of the vessel to the westward and by a zig-zag course made with the hopes of being able to find the Arctic prisoners, the cutter reached Cape Serge, Siberia, on June 30. Receiving no information at this point, the brave officers and crew again put to sea and recrossed the straits to Point Hope. Leaving the Alaskan coast after following the ice line for two days to sea, they sighted and spoke a whaler and gladly received the news of the safety of the ships and their return to Nome.

In the North Eleven Years.

Nome, July 15.—Mr. W. T. Lopp, wife and six small children were passengers on the Ohio from Nome, to which vessel they were transferred from the United States revenue cutter Thetis, coming from her thirty days' cruise in search of the missing steamers Portland and Jeanie. Mr. Lopp and his family came aboard the Thetis at Cape Prince of Wales where he had been located for eleven years in the missionary work among the Eskimos.

This interesting group of children creates much interest as they appear in their northern costumes, dressed as they are in fur parkas and fancy Eskimo mukluks, their ages ranging from 12 years to a 10-months-old baby with its parka of snow-white fox skin.

Mr. Lopp desires to remain in the States in order that he may educate his children, the advantage of which he is deprived of in his far-away northern home.

Mr. Lopp enjoys the distinction of being the proprietor and editor of "the only yearly newspaper in the world," besides being published at the most northerly point. He is a graduate of Hanover College, Indiana, and a member of Delta Tau Delta Greek fraternity.

As only two of his children were ever in the States, the parents will leave them in Washington during the summer rather than subject them to the heat of Indiana and the east, where it is their intention to visit until fall, after which Mr. Lopp and his wife will return to Washington, their future home.

Magistrates of New York

New York, July 28.—Mayor Low today appointed Jos. Deuel, LeRoy B. Crane and Matthew B. Breen city magistrates for ten years at a salary of \$7,000 beginning January 1, 1903. Magistrates Deuel and Crane succeeded themselves, while Magistrate Breen succeeds Henry A. Braun.

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A Kingly King

London, July 26.—Will King Edward be crowned on August 9? is the supreme question in London.

At present the king is not able to stand, though he is getting along finely, and but for his desire to be crowned at an early date, his ultimate recovery would be certain. He enjoys life on the royal yacht and keeps up a lively interest in public affairs, which he today talked over with the premier, Mr. Balfour, and other members of the cabinet. But he has a serious ailment as yet unhealed. He cannot stand, so how can he mount the throne in Westminster Abbey wearing the heavy coronation robes and receive on his head so long recumbent, on a bed of illness the weight of the royal crown.

Up to about five weeks ago King Edward was regarded as a thorough man of the world, an able, practical, courteous gentleman with nothing of the hero in his make-up. Indeed it seemed absurd to connect him with anything more heroic than a speech from the throne or the dedication of a monument, yet in this long pathetic struggle with a terrible illness, this brave man, resolute to wear his mother's crown, even if death should come the next moment, looms up as one of the heroic figures of English history as a worthy descendant of William the Conqueror and the Bruces. It is earnestly hoped that the struggle will not end in a tragedy.

Chinese Are Restless

San Francisco, July 26.—A highbinder reign of terror is the newest phase of Chinatown life. This lawless element holds the gambling and even the respectable element of the Chinese quarter in its grip and whenever it squeezes the victims must pay tribute or there is murder done.

A deputation of "gun men" from the See Yup federation of Tongts last Wednesday visited the private club-rooms of the "Big Eight," who control all the gambling and lottery interests in the quarter and demanded a lump sum of \$2,000. They announced that if this amount was not forthcoming within a stipulated time some of the boss gamblers would "lie down in the street," which is a polite Chinese way of saying they would be murdered. Now the boss gamblers are hovering between a revolver and the bank, for although they do not relish the idea of being shot down by the See Yup gunmen they likewise do not wish to be blackmailed for a large slice of their season's profits.

While they were considering the matter last Wednesday night, however, the Chinatown squad of police was held in the vicinity two hours after the regular quitting time in the anticipation of some highbinder outbreak.

This is not all. Another gang of highbinders visited one of the prominent Chinese merchants on Dupont street yesterday and demanded \$200. This was refused and they went away muttering threats of vengeance. This action has aroused the merchants of the district and they are wondering what to expect next.

The present highbinder restiveness is attributed partially to the dull season of the year now, when most of the Chinese money spenders are out of town, but more particularly to the action of the boss gamblers. These eight Chinese formed a protective association some months ago to combat the ravages of highbinder blackmailing, but they were soon beaten at their own game and forced to pay tribute regularly to the Tongts. These eight are Chan Chung, Boek Oye, Wong Took, Wong You, Jim Wong, Quar Bun, Quan Hing and a brother of San Jose Charlie.

It was only a few days ago that the highbinders by tobbing a number of gambling clubs compelled these eight to submit to the monthly extortion.

Job printing at Nugget office.

Treatment of Leprosy.

Washington, July 26.—Experiments in the treatment of leprosy are being conducted at the Medical Missionary Society's Hospital, at Canton, China, by Dr. Adolph Rezag, a noted specialist of Vienna, Austria. United States Consul McWade, at Canton, has forwarded a preliminary report to the secretary of state which was furnished him by Dr. Swan of the hospital staff. The report says: "After carefully considering the matter and obtaining the approval of our board of hospital managers to lend Dr. Rezag what aid we could, we have admitted three marked cases of leprosy into an isolated room and have given the doctor what aid we could in providing suitable conditions for the treatment of these cases. Every precaution has been taken against infections from these cases, which in twenty-four hours' time have begun to show signs of improvement. From Dr. Rezag's intelligent methods of treatment and the enthusiasm he shows in the management of these cases, I am led to believe that gratifying results will be obtained. I may add that one or two physicians will be associated with myself in the observations made in connection with these cases, also that there are no secret or proprietary remedies used nor any methods of treatment followed that would be

in the least detrimental to the welfare of the patient.

"Pictures have been taken of the three cases now under treatment and it is said that a full report will be made of these and other cases that are likely to come under treatment to a general medical congress which meets a few months hence in Vienna. Later on I shall be pleased to report to you more fully what has actually been accomplished. The self-denying efforts of Dr. Rezag, freely made on behalf of a class of people subject to living death, are, I think, worthy of admiration and support and we shall be pleased to further his efforts in any way that we can."

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