

# PUBLIC REPORTS

### Relating to the Territory Have Been Compiled by Comptroller Lithgow.

### SEPTEMBER 1898 TO MARCH 1900.

### Revenues and Expenditures for Past Fifteen Months

### EXCEED SUM OF \$350,000.

### The Treasury is Depleted and the Government is in Debt to the Extent of \$20,222.16.

(From Friday's Daily.)

Mr. J. T. Lithgow, who occupies the official position of comptroller of the Yukon territory has just completed the compilation of his statistical statement, relative to the revenues and expenditures of the local territorial government from September 1st, 1898, to March 31st, 1900. This report of the comptroller does not include the revenues derived nor expenditures made in connection with the office of gold commissioner, timber and land office, postoffice, or other particular departments of the federal government.

The statement reverts to September, 1898, the time when local affairs were segregated from that official business which pertains exclusively to the Dominion departments at Ottawa. The local government, during its existence has collected in revenues the sum of \$322,144.15. Its total expenditures have amounted to \$352,366.58. The deficit, \$20,222.43, is represented by an overdraft at the Canadian Bank of Commerce.

The itemized report of the comptroller is as follows:

Statement of revenues and expenditures, local revenue, Yukon Territory, from September 1st, 1898, to March 31st, 1900:

REVENUES.	
Received from fines	\$75,472.60
Barriers' registration fees	729.40
Liquor permits	101,638.14
Peddler's licenses	1,410.00
Liquor licenses	146,655.66
Amateur licenses	1,150.00
Dawson water front	4,712.75
Revenues from sundry sources	2,405.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$322,144.15</b>
Overdrawn at Canadian Bank of Commerce	20,222.43
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$352,366.58</b>
EXPENDITURES.	
Donations to hospitals, care of Indians, sick, etc.	\$112,905.97
Wagon roads	99,582.22
Burial of Indians	5,589.40
Printing and stationery	6,927.67
Fire department	68,415.41
Bridges	2,292.03
Board of health	2,648.00
Dredging and ditches	15,685.41
Lighting streets	2,475.39
Dawson free reading room	1,125.00
School house lost on steamer Stratton	230.16
Passage paid for Indians	5,611.11
Salaries	10,298.06
Contingencies	3,241.85
Streets	17,453.33
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$352,366.58</b>

### Gamblers Increasing.

Information has been filed in the police court this month against 81 gamblers, the largest number ever informed against in one month in the history of Dawson. The regulation fine for the offence of gambling is \$50, with \$5 additional for costs, which for one month foots up to \$445, and for 12 months to \$53,460. Previous to this month the number of warrants issued has been from 68 to 76.

### Early Boat Models.

Although boats have been in use by man from the earliest ages, it is only recently that the original boat has been found in use and it is among the savages of the South Sea islands. There the natives take the stump of a tree whose roots offer a good seat and, launching this primitive craft, they paddle around as contentedly as if there was no such thing as a European steamer, and, to tell the truth, they do not suspect its existence. There can be no doubt whatever that in this stump boat we have the only original method of transportation by water. Accident certainly contributed to this discovery. A tired swimming savage found a log near him, he grasped it and to his joy found that it held him above the water. He mounted his log and used a floating branch to propel the log. It was but a

step from the log to the more comfortable root of a tree, and another step from the branch propeller to a shaped paddle. We little think how much we owe to the savage for preserving these traces of primitive development and thereby helping us to trace out the long line of human progress.—Ex.

### Four Insane Patients.

Confined in the barracks guardhouse at the present time are four insane persons—whether incurably so or only temporarily is not yet fully decided by the physician in charge. It is said, however, that the quartette is heard at all hours of the night, much to the annoyance of the large number who are employed in the fuel factory and who certainly are entitled to undisturbed repose during the night. There is no doubt but that the best is being done for the unfortunates who are insane that can be done under present conditions, but as the number of that class of patients increases it will certainly be necessary to create for their confinement and care a ward separate and apart from the common prison.

### Rudyard Kipling.

New York, March 14.—The first word from Rudyard Kipling since he went to South Africa will be printed in this week's issue of Harper's Weekly. Mr. Kipling cables a long account of British disloyalty, which he calls "The sin of witchcraft." The burden of his complaint is that British civil officials in Cape Town wink at semi-trasonable acts and, to quote his own words, "The government will take care it does not pay any one to be loyal." He says: "The Loyalist on the border has his house ripped inside out by the Boers, or rebels, or both; the disloyalist farm is respected, and in return he supplies the enemy with food, horses and information. His risk is small. He may possibly—but not if his friends can stop it—be arrested on a charge of treason. He may then be sent down country to be tried by a sympathetic jury. He hopes, and not without reason, to have his farm restored to him. He has undergone some absurdly inadequate punishment."

### CAPTAIN SCARTH'S COURT.

In police court this morning a new stenographer, Mr. H. G. Blankenard, occupied the place of R. B. Switzer, who is still sick. The first case was that of C. A. Mathews against whom the common monthly gambling charge was held. Mathews plead not guilty and in his own defence said he was only an odd job man around the Dominion. However, when he saw he was up against it, he pleaded to be let off, promising to shake the pulverized snow of Dawson from his moccasins within 48 hours. The court accepted his terms, and if Mathews is in town after 10 a. m. Sunday, the working force in the fuel factory will be increased by one.

G. B. McKann and J. C. Switzer each contributed \$50 and costs for imitating frisky lambs that gambol and frolic on the green.

W. R. Burton, an insane man who was remanded yesterday morning, was again called today, but on the evidence and advice of Dr. Thompson of the N. W. M. P., was taken back to the guard room until his condition can be more fully investigated. The statement made yesterday that Burton had been before the court on the same charge before was an error, as he was never in custody until yesterday morning when complaint was made by residents of the island at the mouth of the Klondike river that he was grossly misbehaving. Among other strange acts he visited the office of the Klondike Mill Co. and issued orders that the mill close down. He declined to leave the court room with the officer this morning until gently assisted. Nothing is known as to where Burton came from or how long he has been here.

The case of P. J. Sheehan, charged by Miss Miller of selling to her for \$600, in hand paid, a one fourth interest in the Green Tree saloon, when, plaintiff alleges, he did not own the property, is being heard.

McCord vs. Swartz and Blumenthal, for wages, was set for this afternoon.

Aitchison vs. Gustafsson for wages was continued until 10 o'clock Monday.

### Water Grant.

A water grant has been issued to Andrew Ericsson and Peter Peterson for three years of 60 inches of water to be diverted at a point about the center of creek claim No. 80 below on Bonanza; and to be used for mining purposes on the hillside claim, left limit, opposite the upper half of No. 82 below on Bonanza. This grant has been issued subject to the water rights of creek claim owners, and to the protests of Bradley and Joel, as per decision of the gold commissioner, rendered on April 4th.

### More Pieces.

The ordinary shell which was manufactured 30 years ago only broke into from 20 to 25 pieces when it burst. At the present time it bursts into 240, while shrapnel shell, which only used to scatter 37 missiles, now scatters 340. A present-day bomb, when charged with peroxide, breaks up into 1200 pieces, and it is estimated that it would effectively kill anyone standing within 220 yards of the explosion.

# LIQUOR LICENSE

### Reduced by Yukon Council From \$2500 to \$1500 for Saloons in Dawson.

### OTHER PLACES IN PROPORTION.

### Franchise Granted To Jack Wiley and Others for Telephone.

### ROADHOUSE MEN WARNED.

### Position of Dog-Pound Keeper Much Sought After—Special Hospital Committee.

A meeting of the Yukon council was held yesterday, the commissioner presiding.

Present: O'Givvie, Girouard, Dugas, Clement Senkler.

A communication was received from the citizens' committee respecting the incorporation of Dawson, and suggesting that the council call a public mass meeting of citizens to consider the question.

Moved by Mr. Clement, seconded by Mr. Girouard.

Resolved, That the council, while willing and ready to grant incorporation upon the basis usual in Canadian citizen towns, if desired by the inhabitants of Dawson, does not wish to appear either as advocating or opposing incorporation, and for this reason deems it fitting that the citizens should take the initiative in any movement towards this end.

A communication was received from Joseph Clarke, secretary of the citizens' committee, accompanied by the minutes of the last public mass meeting. Tabled.

Several applications were received for the position of keeper of the dog pound. Referred to the municipal committee.

A communication was received from the officer commanding the N. W. M. P., accompanied by a recommendation from Sergeant Wilson, that the sidewalks be made 12 feet in width. Referred to the municipal committee.

A communication was received from the comptroller asking permission to allow for publication of a statement of the revenues and expenditures of the territory. Granted.

A communication was received from the officer commanding the N. W. M. P., covering one from Inspector Starnes, calling attention to the complaint of the Indians that the white men were wastefully destroying the game. Referred to the legal adviser.

The following report of the finance committee was then received:

"It is recommended that ordinance No. 29, of 1899, respecting intoxicating liquors, be amended as follows: (The reductions in the cost of licenses recommended are the same as published in the Daily Nugget of recent date.)

The question of a grant to the school established by Rev. Father Gendreau was taken up; and it is recommended to the council that a grant of \$250 per month be paid to Father Gendreau, to be divided as follows: Teacher, \$100; assistant teacher, \$50; maintenance of school, \$100; total, \$250."

Moved by Mr. Girouard, seconded by Mr. Senkler.

Resolved, That the above report be adopted.

The committee on private bills reported: That at a meeting held on April 4th, the ordinance respecting the Dawson Telephone and Electric Co., Ltd., was considered and approved of with certain amendments.

(The above refers to a franchise to Jack Wiley and associates to construct, maintain and operate a telephone system in Dawson and surrounding country; but the franchise is not exclusive as was prayed for in the petition.)

The recommendation of the board of fire commissioners that \$250 per month to be granted towards defraying the expenses of the fire department at Grand Forks, since the apparatus was sent there, was referred to the council.

Moved by Mr. Girouard, seconded by Mr. Clement.

Resolved, That the comptroller be in-

structed to pay the above amount on the approval of the chief of the fire department and the commissioner of the territory.

Mr. Justice Dugas gave the following notice of motion:

Resolved, That the license inspector be instructed to see to the taking of proceedings against the proprietors of hotels or roadhouses permitting immorality or improper conduct in their premises, and that the renewal of licenses be not granted or renewed to such proprietors.

Moved by Mr. Girouard, seconded by Mr. Clement.

Resolved, That a committee composed of the Hon. C. A. Dugas, W. H. P. Clement and E. C. Senkler be appointed for the purpose of attending to the hospital question generally, and allowance to be granted under the new ordinance, and especially to the entry in and the going out of sick and indigent from hospitals, and to the steps to be taken so as to ascertain the indigency of such sick persons.

Mr. Clement begged leave to introduce a bill to incorporate the Dawson Telephone and Electric Company, Ltd. He accordingly presented the said bill and the same was read a first time. It being a matter of urgency, and by unanimous consent of the council, the said bill was accordingly read a second and a third time and the commissioner having put the question "That this bill do now pass," it was resolved in the affirmative.

Resolved, That the bill amending ordinance No. 29, of 1899, respecting intoxicating liquors be now read a third time.

The commissioner having put the question "That this bill do now pass," it was resolved in the affirmative.

The council then adjourned until Friday, April 6th, at 8 o'clock, p. m.

### C. D. Company Arrivals.

Capt. I. B. Sanborn, Captain T. Whelan, Harry Chapman, J. A. Ritchie, and E. O. Morck, all connected with the C. D. Co., arrived from Victoria today. The party left Skagway on March 24th. The trail is reported to be in fair condition, with the exception of that portion between here and Sixty mile. The gentlemen inspected the different boats and scows, belonging to the company which are wintering between Dawson and Whitehorse. Mr. Chapman, during his absence, has visited England and South Africa.

### Honest Indians.

Some Indians found a new basket sled in the neighborhood of Mopsehide yesterday which, instead of appropriating to their own use as many Boston and King George men would have done, they brought to the town police station where it now awaits an owner. The Indians were careful, however, to stipulate that in case the owner does not call the sled is to revert to them.

### Water Application.

George H. Lytle has applied to the mining recorder for a three years' grant of 60 inches of water, to be diverted at a point about the center of creek claim No. 80 below discovery on Bonanza. Said water is to be used for mining purposes on a claim, particularly described as gulch claim No. 1 on a pup which enters Bonanza on the left limit at No. 81a below.

### The Eagles Celebrated.

Last night, in response to the invitation of manager Alex Pantage, the Eagles attended the performance at the Orpheum theater. Prior to the commencement of the entertainment, the order formed in parade lines behind the band and marched through the principal streets of the city. The capacity of the theater was crowded to its utmost; and the guests enjoyed a very pleasant evening. The entertainment consisted of the production of a melo-drama, entitled "Only a Mountain Maid," and the rendition of an olio. The performers acquitted themselves most creditably. Capt. Jack Crawford, on behalf of the Eagle fraternity, delivered a very appropriate speech, in which he tendered to the theatrical management, the actors and actresses the hearty thanks of the Fraternal Order of Eagles.

### Placer Claim Grants.

F. A. Smith has received a grant for the placer ground described as creek claim No. 1 on a pup adjoining the left limit of what is known as "53 and 54 pup," which enters Hunker creek between No. 1 and 2.

I. W. Sweeney recorded claim No. 2 on the same pup. Both properties were staked on April 5th.

### Free Library Growing.

The board of control of the Dawson library and reading room acknowledge with thanks the receipt of books, magazines and papers for the month of March from the following ladies and gentlemen: Mrs. Seeley, 16 books and magazines; Major Perry, newspapers; Mr. Hartman, two magazines and newspapers; Father Gendreau, newspapers; Mr. R. G. Cuthbertson, newspapers; Mr. Craig, newspapers; The Nugget, newspapers; The Sun, newspapers; The News, newspapers.

# DISTRICT COURT

### Disposed Today of the Civil Action Entitled Lyon vs. Manning.

### HEARING IN WILSON VS. WINTER

### Has Been Fixed for Next Monday Morning.

### APPOINTMENT OF RECEIVER

### The Suit Involves Creek No. 12, Eldorado—A. H. Thurston Suggested as Receiver.

This morning the case of George Lyon vs. Ruby Manning was tried by Justice Dugas. The plaintiff attempted to recover the price of six dozen bottles of beer, which had been delivered to the defendant at No. 60 below discovery on Bonanza last fall. The defendant admitted the receipt of the beer; but contended that it had been left at her roadhouse without her consent, and asserted she was ready to return it to plaintiff. The court decided that the plaintiff's cause was not supported by sufficient evidence to establish a sale, and judgment was rendered in favor of defendant.

In George A. Wilson vs. A. H. Winter and A. S. Winter, an application has been made for the appointment of Asa Thurston Hayden, as receiver, to take charge of the defendant's share of the gold dust which is extracted from the upper half of No. 12 Eldorado, pending the final determination of the action. The hearing on the motion has been fixed for 10 o'clock a. m., April 9th. White and McCaul are the attorneys of the plaintiff. Patullo and Ridley represent the defendants.

In Styles vs. Galpin, the application to continue the injunction was granted temporarily.

The injunction in Raymond vs. Faulkner was continued until Monday. The hearing on the motion in McKay Brothers vs. the V. Y. T. Co., was postponed till Monday.

In Hurdman vs. Johnson, the application to discharge the writ of capias issued in the cause was continued till Monday, April 16.

In the matter of the estate of James McLarty, deceased, an application has been made for the distribution of the estate.

The hearing on the motion in Bossuit vs. Timmins was continued until Monday.

### Peel River Indians.

This noon 14 Indians from the Peel river country arrived in Dawson. They were provided with five sleds and dog teams. They report that the Hudson Bay Company's trading posts, which are established in the vicinity of the Peel river, have no supplies; and that they were forced to come over to the Yukon to secure provisions. They continued their journey to Dawson in order to see the great camp, concerning which they had heard so much.

### Trail Still Crowded.

From parties who arrived yesterday from Bennett it is learned that the trail for the entire distance is still crowded with people coming this way. One man asserts that he came in light and in 14 days, and that on the way he passed fully 400 head of horses, all of which were drawing heavy loads of freight. Several large cargoes of beef were passed; also poultry and eggs. The parties report that there were many persons who had reached Bennett with freight and who could not get away from that place until from the 1st to the 5th of the present month, yet they each and all expected to land their stuff in Dawson over the ice and sell it at enormous profits. They may, and again they may not.

### Quartz Claim Recorded.

Charles B. French recorded yesterday the quartz property which is described as the Gold Run mineral claim, and which is located about three-fourths of a mile from Gold Run creek.

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### Statement

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