

EXTENSIVE ALTERATIONS

Old Buildings Removed, New Ones Built

N. C. Co. Will Make Vast Improvements in the Arrangement of Its Store.

If anyone has any doubts as to the stability and future of Dawson a glance at the plans of the improvements to be inaugurated this season by the Northern Commercial Company should forever dispel them. They include the removal of four buildings from their present sites, the construction of a new structure in size 40x130, the general rearrangement of the interior of the old quarters and the building of a new front from the corner along King street to its connection with the new building, the total expense of which will aggregate \$50,000 if not more. When completed the appearance of the N. C. store rooms on King street will be equal to anything in Seattle or Victoria, a model establishment in every respect. There will be one unbroken expanse of plate glass windows extending from the corner to where the office building now stands, 16 of them varying in size from 6 feet square to 6x9 and all will be employed to display the goods carried in stock, the window dresser having ample opportunity to make use of his artistic tendencies.

The improvements determined upon necessitate the removal of several of the buildings that have seen service for a number of years. The private apartments of Manager Mizner on Second avenue, which face the street the long way of the building, will be swung around with what is now the south end abutting the sidewalk, flush or nearly so with the warehouse adjoining on the north. The old log mess house now on the corner will be also swung around facing Second

avenue and will occupy a position next Mr. Mizner's quarters. The office building together with the annex in the rear will be moved east to the corner of King and Second avenue, the entrance to the upper floor of the annex being arranged from Second avenue. Where the office building now stands will be built a two-story structure with 40 feet frontage, and 130 feet deep which will be devoted exclusively to dry goods and clothing. The space now occupied by the dry goods department will be utilized by the hardware, furniture and crockery departments, as present quarters in the old A. E. buildings, the idea of the management being to bring all the various departments under one roof. Along King street an entire new front will be put in the old buildings harmonizing with the new one. The offices, cashier's desk and safe deposit vault will be removed to the rear and the grocery and boot and shoe departments will occupy their present places.

The plans and specifications have been on view in the Board of Trade rooms for several days and the bids that have been advertised for will close this evening at 6 o'clock. A certified check in 20 per cent. of the amount bid must accompany each bid and the contract must be entered into within five days after the notification of the acceptance of a bid. The contractor is given but 40 days in which to complete his work, must forfeit \$100 for every day he overruns the time and is required to furnish a \$10,000 bond for the faithful completion of his contract.

In the specifications a notable feature is the manner which is provided for the construction of the foundations. The bane of the builder's existence in Dawson has been to get a foundation for his buildings that in a few years would not settle and leave the floors at every conceivable angle. In the new building to be erected and also for the foundations of the old ones to be removed it is required that trenches not less than four feet in depth be dug, and if the ground at that depth is found thawed they must be 18 inches deeper, 8 feet apart. In the trenches mud sills are to be placed on a one-inch bed of sawdust, the sills to be 4x12 and in long lengths. On them will rest posts not less than 10 inches in diameter at intervals of 5 feet. The trenches will be filled with 10 inches

of sawdust, then earth rammed down every 6 inches to a level with the ground. On top of the posts will be placed sills 6x8 upon which the building will rest. Such foundation it is thought will never settle. It is intended the alterations and new-buildings will be finished by June 1.

LOCAL BREVITIES.

Attorney H. G. Wilson arrived today, probably the most weather-bronzed man that has come off the trail this year.

Ex-Constable Stutt has returned from the outside and accepted a position with Landlord Hall of the Holborn. Mr. Stutt spent the winter in Seattle.

Mayor Walter Woodburn was in the city on business last night and this morning.

Owing to the stormy weather but very little progress is being made at street cleaning and ditch opening.

C. E. and Mrs. Carboneau were among the arrivals yesterday from the outside. They traveled extensively in Europe during the winter.

Attorney Auguste Noel arrived last night after a vacation of seven months. His law partner, D. H. McKinnon, was also an incoming passenger yesterday evening. The latter spent much of his time while absent at Ottawa.

Max Endelman, one of the proprietors of the Hotel Dewey at the Forks, returned yesterday from a short trip outside as far as Seattle. Mr. Endelman is an old timer in the north, arriving in Juneau over ten years ago.

E. O. Sylvester, formerly of Juneau and Skagway but later of this city and the Forks, where he is interested in the Dewey, is now in Porto Rico seeking investments.

The members of the Arctic Brotherhood are arranging a minstrel show to be given in their hall the first week in May.

Billy Mullen will take a benefit at the Auditorium next Sunday evening.

Successful Operation.

Mrs. Frank W. Clayton was operated on this morning at St. Mary's hospital for appendicitis. The operation was highly successful and there is every indication of Mrs. Clayton's speedy recovery.

Waitress wanted at once. Hoffman.

Watch Our Regular Guessing Contest.

Will Announce Particulars in a Few Days.

We Begin the New Season With the End of the Old.

As has been our custom for years we will open the season with BRIGHT, SMART and STRIKING NOVELTIES in

Men's Suits, Overcoats, Trousers, Boys' Jackets, Fancy Vests, Hats, Shoes and Furnishings.

Every item advertised represents all the Late Novelties for this season specially selected by Mr. Hershberg who knows well the requirements of the people here. We invite inspection.

HERSHBERG, The Reliable Clothier, 1st Ave. OPPOSITE WHITE PASS DOCK.

HOTEL ARRIVALS.

Regina Hotel.—W. W. Woodburn, Bonanza; W. Northrop, New York; C. M. Crawford, Seattle; J. A. McDugal and wife, Dawson; A. Lewin, Dawson.

Empire.—D. A. Nicholson, city; A. H. Chute, city; Max Endelman, Forks; L. A. Murchison, Pictou, N. S.

Line Working Badly.

The telegraph line from Ashcroft to Vancouver, from which city the Nugget receives its press service, has been working very badly all day, in consequence of which very little matter has been received. The trouble is not on the Dominion line but is confined to the branch mentioned, which is owned by the C.P.R.

All the matter, practically, that has been received today is direct from Winnipeg, as communication with that city has been maintained without any trouble.

Many Money Orders.

The money department of the post office is feeling the impression of renewed activity in financial circles. Yesterday was a heavy day at the money order window and Hugh McDiarmid, the genial charge d'affaires, was kept busy right up to closing time.

From now on the volume of business will steadily increase until June when it will run up to tremendously large figures and all the clerks will be doing overtime.

Reopened Fairview Cafe and Lunch Counter

DINNER A LA CARTE Open Day and Night. THOS. AUREN PROPRIETOR.

Lays to Let.

On 22 Bonanza below.
On 21 Bonanza above.
On 51 Hunker below.
On Discovery and 3 below Eureka, right fork.

Lays will be given to responsible parties only to work out entire claims and owners will provide new and first class machinery. For conditions apply to

GEO. R. CLAZY.

Wrecked Detroit Bank.

Detroit, March 29.—The Union Trust Company, as receiver for the City Savings bank of this city, today filed in court its first report on the appraisal of the assets of the wrecked bank. It shows there are total liabilities of \$3,374,523, while the assets are appraised at \$1,974,428. In addition to the liabilities given there are also outstanding certified checks drawn by Frank C. Andrews amounting to \$662,500. The receiver asks permission of the court to begin suit against the stockholders of the bank for the full amount for which they are legally liable.

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Fresh Over the Ice



...FULL LINE OF... Beef, Mutton, Veal, Pork, and Poultry.

Bank Market

KING STREET, Opposite N. C. Company
J. Gustavson, Proprietor

WANTED.—Woman to do house washing. Apply this office.

Kelly & Co., Leading Dressmakers
Job Printing at Nugget office

OUR NEW GOODS ARE HERE!

Call and Inspect Them and Satisfy Yourself that Same are of the Very Latest New York Styles.



For the Ladies

Tailor Made Suits, Skirts, Silk Waists, Spring Jackets, etc., etc. Swisses. Full line Ladies' Sailor Hats,

White Goods



Waists, Cotton and Dimitie Lawns, Organdies, Dimities, Plain and Rough Straw.



Ladies' Shoes.

The Celebrated Todd, Bancroft & Co. Shoe in All Styles. All the Very Latest Shapes.



Men's Clothing.

All Tailor Made Goods, made by the well known fashionable New York tailors, Adler Bros. All the latest weaves and cuts. Full line Men's Nobby Spring Overcoats. NECKWEAR—All the Latest Novelties in Men's Neckwear.

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