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ABOUT TAXES

And Incorporation Commissioner Ogilvie Has a Word to Say

AND SEVERAL QUESTIONS TO ASK.

Collection of Taxes Will Probably Commence Soon

UNLESS CITY INCORPORATES

Some of the Dangers Which Lurk Around Corners for Unwary Municipalities.

(From Wednesday's Daily.)

Speaking yesterday on the subject of money for the much desired and greatly needed insane asylum, Mr. Ogilvie said that while there were no funds at present available for the purpose, it was by no means impossible that the money should be forthcoming in the near future, from one of two sources. That is, either by the collection of taxes or from the government.

"So far," said the commissioner, "there is nothing definite about the matter from either source, but from the way things have shaped themselves lately I believe that money for this as well as other purposes can be had before long, at least I have assurances to that effect from a very reliable source." "Regarding the matter of taxation, of course it is well understood that the collection of taxes has been deferred till the present time, pending the seating of the newly elected councilmen. That matter has been disposed of now, and the new members are seated and we are just waiting till they get the thread of affairs in hand so as to voice their views on the matter.

"I have talked the matter over with Mr. Wilson, and while he has not committed himself to any open policy in the issue there is little room to doubt that he will be with us in the matter." "Notices were served on the property owners assessed some time since, but that was done merely to preserve the legality of the act, and no legal demand has ever been made for the money, and consequently no money to amount to anything has been paid in, although some of those assessed have come in and tendered their taxes. These, of course, have been received and receipted for, as we know our actions have been right, still the money so far collected from that source has been too little to be of any use.

"One of two things must come in the near future, however, as there will be taxation, or there will be incorporation, and if the people decide that they want incorporation they will find that taxation is the first question they will have to deal with in order to carry on the business of a municipality.

"Not only will the problem of the manner and extent of taxation have to be dealt with, but there are other matters, really of equal or more vital importance. I speak now of the political aspect of the question, and in saying this I am not speaking from any motive of personal interest whatever, and I do not believe that a single member of the council, excepting possibly the two recently elected members, whose views I do not know, care a straw whether the city becomes an incorporated municipality or remains under the present form of government.

"Of course, should the people decide that they want to incorporate the city, there will be a lot of offices to be filled, and who will fill them? That question represents to my mind, and that of many business men who have expressed an opinion to me on the subject, a very dangerous rock in the natural course of the ship of state, and this assertion is not founded upon any but the best possible grounds. Look, for instance, at the daily papers of almost any large city in the Western hemisphere and you will find startling headlines on the subject which go to show what the chief danger to municipalities are.

"To return again to the question of the establishing of an insane asylum, I can only say further that for my part, as soon as funds are available for the purpose, I should be strongly in favor of it."

The Trail Narrow

Attorney C. W. C. Tabor, who left last summer for a visit to his old home on the outside, arrived yesterday over the ice, 14 days from Whitehorse. Mr. Tabor was accompanied in by a man from Grand Forks whose name was not learned. They had dogs and a sled, but did not attempt a record breaking trip. The attorney does not hesitate to say that the broad-gauge stages which are attempting the trip on from Dawson will not be able to get through for the reason that in many places the trail on the river leads through narrow gorges on both sides of which are walls of solid ice to the height of several feet and through which it is not possible to take two horses abreast or an ordinary two horse sled. Mr. Tabor thinks it very doubtful if the trip could even be made with a one-horse cutter to say nothing of four-horse stages; but with one horse attached to an ordinary narrow sled such as are used in freighting all over the Klondike where regular roads have not been constructed, he says there will be no trouble in getting along and making the trip in from eight to ten days. The four horse stage which left here yesterday was met a few miles up the river, but Mr. Tabor predicts that it will not go many miles further.

Accommodations along the route are reported to be much better than are anticipated, commodious quarters being found almost without exception for both man and beast.

Ward Smith Startled.
Yesterday Ward Smith, who collects taxes when any of Dawson's citizens feel inclined to pay them, and go to the commissioner's office for the purpose, met with a surprise which was just a trifle startling because it was something of rare occurrence.

Mr. Smith had been out to look at the thermometer and came back to the office when he removed his coat and cap and seated himself at his desk, when Meteorological Observer Watson brutally broke the news to him that a man had called during his absence to pay his taxes. The tax collector looked wildly through the window, gasped twice, and seizing his cap demanded to know which way the man had gone. Then it turned out that the citizen had only called to make some trifling inquiry concerning the payment of taxes and had no serious intentions.

Mr. Smith now regards any statement made by Mr. Watson with a growing suspicion.

A New Departure.
The trial before the territorial court yesterday concerning the "swiping" of a church on Chechako Hill brought to light a heretofore unknown condition of affairs in the Klondike. The prosecuting witness, Christopher Reed, was formerly a member of the N. W. M. P. force, but is now a layman in the church. So far as known this is the first case of local record where a man has quit the police service and entered the ministry.

About That Boiler.
The eight-horse power boiler which so mysteriously disappeared from the building formerly used by the Model laundry on First avenue, has been found. Like the party who was not dead but sleeping, the boiler was not stolen, but was just taken. It appears that a number of partners were interested in that boiler, and some six weeks since one of these removed the troublesome boiler to a laundry near the Fairview hotel, and put it at work, where it now labors in the process of washing clothes.

Will Elect Officers.
A meeting of the general museum committee, about 40 members, will be held at the Free Library next Tuesday night, the 18th, for the purpose of electing officers, to wit: President, vice-president, secretary, treasurer and curator. These five officers will constitute the executive committee. It is imperative that all members of the general committee be present at the meeting.

Shoff, the Dawson Dog Doctor, Pioneer Drug Store.

Death of Mrs. Harper

News was received in Dawson yesterday of the death of the widow of Arthur Harper the Yukon pioneer and founder of the town of Dawson. Mrs. Harper or Davis as her name has been since her second marriage two years ago, left Dawson a year ago last spring for St. Michael with her husband. They proceeded to Golovin bay, where they opened a hotel. During the past summer she was taken ill and her sister, Mrs. Walker, of Portymile, went to St. Michael to care for her. She did not improve any and left for San Francisco in the latter part of the summer. She died in that city a few weeks ago, the direct cause being cancer of the stomach.

Mrs. Davis was of Indian birth, but was well educated and spoke very fluent English. She was well known to all old timers in Dawson to whom the announcement of her death will come as a shock.

From the McKenzie.
This morning five Indians arrived from a tributary of the McKenzie river, which they say is distant one moon's travel. They brought a few pelts, and by exchanging them and adding in money to their value, procured a load of flour and other staples for the five toboggans they brought. They had in all 23 dogs, and are now bound on a hunting trip.

Chief Isaac did the proper thing while they were here, interpreting for them and giving them orders concerning their conduct and future movements.

Table de hote dinners. The Holborn. A good sign cheap; see Vogue. c19
Choice fresh potatoes at Meeker's.
Fine watch repairing by Soggs & Vesco.

RECEIVED BY WIRE.

MARINE MYSTERY

Steamer City of Topeka Believed to be Wrecked in Lynn Canal.

KRUGER LIKENED TO SILENT WILLIAM.

The Queen Addresses Parliament Regarding Army Funds.

CANADA IS COMPLIMENTED.

Maxwell Wins by Big Majority in B. C.—Liberal-Labor Party Rejoices.

Skagway, Dec. 12.—The steamer Amur which arrived this morning from Victoria and Vancouver, reports having passed the Dirigo during the night in Lynn canal, when the latter steamer flashed her light and shouted a message only two words of which "Boat, rocks" were heard. Higher up the canal and near Eldridge rock where the Clara Nevada was lost nearly three years ago a number of fires were seen burning on the beach and all indications are that some vessel has been wrecked and sunk as nothing could be seen of anything being hung up on the rocks. While it is not known for a certainty which one it is, it is generally believed to be the City of Topeka, which was due; but as the Amur does not put in to Juneau it is not known whether the Topeka had been there on her way up or not.

Rouse Reaches Skagway.
Skagway, Dec. 12.—A. A. Rouse reached here last night from Dawson.

Kruger at Hague.
Hague, Dec. 6, via Skagway, Dec. 12.—At the opening of the chamber the president said President Kruger would arrive during the day to take his residence here. He asked authority to welcome Kruger, which was granted with cheers. Kruger arrived in the afternoon and was welcomed by the Burgomasters and other large crowds who gave him a most enthusiastic reception. Speeches were made in which Kruger was likened to King William the Silent, who sacrificed everything for his people.

For Army Expenses.
London, Dec. 6, via Skagway, Dec. 12.—Immediately after the opening of parliament the queen's speech was read a portion of which said:
"It has become necessary to make further provisions for the expenses of operating our armies in Africa and China. I have summoned this special session in order to give you sanction"
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