

A MEETING OF TRUSTEES.

Matters of Importance to the City Discussed.

Arrival and Departure of Skagway Steamers Will Be Bulletin—Street Grade Recommended.

The board of trustees of the Board of Trade met Wednesday night, with Chairman L. R. Fulda and Secretary Clayton in their respective seats. Five members were present. The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved. Secretary Clayton reported having received eight applications for membership during the past week.

A communication from A. B. Clegg, local manager of the Dominion Telegraph Company, offering to post all dates of departure of steamers from Skagway was read and arrangements for posting the same in various parts of the city will be made at once.

A communication from Samuel Word, owner of the present city water system in reference to the Board of Trade cooperating with him in strengthening the system, was read and the secretary was instructed to invite Mr. Word to meet with the trustees at their next meeting.

A communication from Jake Kline, who, by the way, expects to leave for the outside on or about the 25th, asking the Board of Trade and business men of Dawson to extensively advertise on the outside the advantages to be gained by taking the Yukon route to Nome and thereby divert travel via Dawson, was read but not favorably considered, as the proposition was not considered feasible. The trustees did not appear to think the game would pay for the ammunition, but the communication was referred to the full board. Capt. Healy expressed the belief that no one but a fool would come to Dawson to outfit for Nome.

A statement was made by Secretary Clayton from Commissioner Ogilvie in reference to the admission of second-class mail through the mails to and from Dawson to the effect that he (Ogilvie) had received word on Wednesday from Ottawa that expressly stated that no mail other than first-class mail can or will be carried over the Coast-Dawson mail route during the closed season. It was the unanimous feeling of the board that the matter should be further agitated.

The names of ten or more men who are members of the board, but who have not yet signed the constitution were read, and it was the sense of the meeting that those of them who can be found be asked to sign at their earliest convenience.

In regard to the firing of a noonday gun by the Yukon council, it was reported to the board that the reason the gun is not fired is that the council has no appropriation with which to buy powder.

Dr. Yemans suggested that the board recommend to the Yukon council the passing of an ordinance requiring owners of horse and dog teams to put bells on their animals as a warning to pedestrians; also that the council require property owners to clean the snow from the sidewalks of the city. The board will also memorialize the council asking that a grade be established for Front street.

The committee on fire, light and water was recommended to investigate the ordinance relative to flues and ask that the same be enforced.

It was recommended that the A. C. Co. be asked to put a spark arrester on the smoke stack of its electric light plant.

As there was no other business, the board adjourned.

GRAND FORKS ITEMS.

The Gold Hill Whist Club meets every Friday evening and gives a nugget to the lady scoring the most points and another nugget to the gentleman scoring the greatest number of points.

Their meeting Dec. 1st, at Mr. and Mrs. Cavanaugh's, was a very pleasant affair. Mrs. Cavanaugh securing the lady's prize and Mr. Boyle the gentleman's prize. Dainty refreshments were served at 10:30. Mr. and Mrs. Clark entertained them Dec. 8th; Mrs. Comstock winning the lady's nugget and Mr. Will the gentleman's. Elegant refreshments were served, after which music and song entertained the members for an hour.

On Saturday evening, Dec. 8, 1899, Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Shea celebrated their 10th anniversary wedding by entertaining some of their friends. The evening was spent at whist, music and a general good social time until 11 o'clock, when supper was served, and without any exaggeration it was the finest supper we have ever seen served in the Yukon.

Among those present were: Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Shea and son Claudie, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. Johnson and son Bert, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Green, Mrs. Boorman, Mrs. O'Donnell, Miss Rantsham, Messrs. Crosby, Raymond, Johnson, Lang, Johnson, Carlson, Dr. Edwards, A. Bell, C. J. Hutchinson, Boyle, C. Hutchinson, Anderson, Ben Johnson, Victor, Maroney, Bobby Burns, Montgomery, Dugans, John Bidwell, Sutton. And especial praise is due to the music furnished by Messrs. Bell, Hutchinson and Dr. Edwards.

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A MOST PERILOUS TRIP.

The Skirving Party Return After Many Months.

They Went in Search of Men Who Were Lost on the Edmonton Trail.

Constable E. P. Baake, of the N. W. M. P., his brother A. F. Baake and Hector McFee, the latter acting as guide, arrived in the city Sunday after a most perilous trip to Fort McPherson and returned by way of Fort Yukon. These are the men who left here last August in charge of Corporal Skirving in search of a party of three men—A. F. Moffat and his two partners, Messrs. Holmes and Belleone, who had started for Dawson from Edmonton via the Peace river sometime late in the fall of 1898. This was the last ever seen of the party alive. A note picked up on the trail in November of that year stated that members of the party were all sick from scurvy and despaired of ever reaching their destination.

On hearing of the finding of the note Colonel Steele, then in command here, detailed the above mentioned search party which left at once to look for traces of the travelers. On reaching Fort Yukon they journeyed up the Porcupine river a distance of 350 miles by canoe to a point called La Pierre house, where from Indians information of the death of two of the party and the probable death of the third, as when last seen he was pushing on down the river alone and was suffering greatly from scurvy. The search party journeyed on as far as Fort McPherson, 900 miles from Dawson, making a total of 1800 miles covered by the intrepid men on their errand of mercy. On the way back and when near Circle City Corporal Skirving had the misfortune to severely cut with an ax one of his legs, which accident caused him to stop at Circle City to recuperate. He is expected to arrive in a few days when an official report of the expedition will be made and submitted to the proper officials. The Baake brothers and McFee appear to be none the worse for their long and perilous journey, during which they endured much exposure and had many narrow escapes from drowning in the raging waters of the Porcupine and Peace river. E. P. Baake has made the entire trip of 2700 miles over the Edmonton route from Athabasca to Dawson, and he is now looking for a party to pilot over the ice to Nome.

STORAGE—Boyle's wharf, under the management of the Nugget Express.

TEMPERED WITH MERCY.

Was Judge Dugas' Sentence Passed on James O'Day.

Two Months at Hard Labor—People's Petition Was Recognized and Respected by His Lordship.

Standing room was at a premium in the superior court room Wednesday at the opening of the morning session, as it was generally understood that sentence would then be passed on James O'Day and Joseph Selix, both having been previously convicted, the former by confession of theft, the latter by trial on the charge of having retained the goods from O'Day, knowing them to have been stolen. Attorney McCall made a strong plea to the court as to the inadmissibility of certain evidence which had been heard in the Selix case and the court deferred sentence until the citations could be carefully considered.

Crown Prosecutor Wade asked that sentence be passed upon O'Day, who, in custody of an officer, was in waiting in an adjoining room. The prisoner was brought in and escorted to the prisoner's box. On his face was a deep smile—not a defiant or mischievous smile, but a placid, pleading, resigned sort of facial expression, every outline of which was a strong but silent plea for mercy. Just as he entered the prisoner's box, Attorney McDougal presented to his honor a largely signed petition, a copy of which was published in the last issue of The Nugget, asking that in the passing of sentence, justice be tempered with mercy and that the sentence be made as light, owing to the previous good character of the prisoner, as consistent with powers of the court. Judge Dugas carefully and deliberately looked over the document and its long list of signers. When asked by the clerk if he had anything to say as to why sentence should not be passed upon him, O'Day, after a full half minute's silence, replied, "No, only this is my first offense." The judge then delivered a short but remarkably kindly address to the man before him, in which he greatly deplored that a man of such previous good character should so far forget himself as to so flagrantly violate the laws of the country in which he lives. The court referred to Selix as O'Day's accomplice in crime, and told him that he, the court, could, if he so desired, sentence him to a period of seven years. "But," said his honor, "I have before me a petition in your behalf which, by glancing over, I find is signed by a large number of the best and most highly respected people in Dawson, and I will respect their pleadings in your behalf." Judge Dugas then passed sentence which was that the prisoner be confined at hard labor in the district jail for a period of two months.

And wearing the same placid, pleading, resigned sort of facial expression, James O'Day was led out of the courtroom and back to his cell in the jail.

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