

ADDITIONS COMPLETED

Court of Revision Finishes Its Labors

Of 205 Applications Filed with the Clerk But 56 Are Accepted.

The city council met again yesterday afternoon in the clerk's office and finished its labors as a court of revision. Of the 205 applications to be placed on the voters' list only 56 were confirmed, the balance being dismissed either on account of the failure of the applicants to qualify or their non-appearance when their names were called.

Quite a few names passed on the evening before were inadvertently crowded out of the report published in the Nugget yesterday. Among them was L. J. Heacock, an attaché of the department of public works. One of the aldermen thought Mr. Heacock was an American whereupon Vachon assured the council that he certainly was not or he would not be occupying the position he is. Dr. F. F. Jackson was confirmed at \$2400.

Then a peculiar thing happened. Two barbers appeared, one after the other. Both were named Johnson and worked or had worked in the same shop. The first was R. J. Johnson. His salary during the year had averaged \$175 a month, \$2100 a year. Macdonald moved his application be confirmed at \$2200 and such was done. Then followed Joseph Johnson who swore to the same thing as did R. J. but he was turned down. Murphy immediately arose to the boiling point and vigorously protested against what he designated as snip judgment. It was all wrong and he proposed to kick against such proceedings as long as he could.

His worship again retorted about the hundred or so applications being made out in the same manner and handed in on the last day, intimating that some one had been vigorously at work with a regard to the future. A division was called for and once more was the council divided on the acceptance of Mr. Johnson. The chair voted nay and Mr. Johnson was shut out. Joseph Landry receives \$160 a month as watchman at the administration building. Other sources of revenue bring his income up so that he qualified in the extent of \$2300.

Peter L. Le Clair, David Lavique, J. Lock, Fred Lablanche, John A. Layton, Albert Laque, C. W. Leary, Medor La Fortune, A. R. Murray, Alex. F. Miller, George W. Moore, Felix Mase, Nicholas Mongelli, Howard Martin, Wm. Muir, A. Muir, H. S. Myrick, D. R. McLennan, J. W. McKay, J. McKenna, H. J. McKinnon, W. R. McDonald and J. H. McLennan were dismissed.

H. F. Lilly was already on the list and did not know it. F. P. Lalonde was represented by his father and upon his oath that the lad receives a salary of \$2200 a year he was confirmed at that amount. Pierre Ledieu, the young barrister, was assessed at \$2300. F. S. Leck is a carpenter and contractor and was very frank as to his earnings. He makes on an average \$3000 a year and was confirmed at that amount. J. R. Le Pronon was accepted at \$2200 and Frank Laque at \$2300. James A. McKinnon appeared on behalf of Councilman Arthur Wilson. The latter had recently bought a cabin in the city but for some reason or other that was not exactly apparent it was decided he was not entitled to a vote. Lewis Martin was vouchered for both by Vachon and his worship and was accepted at \$2300. Louis Marymont had made \$1600 in eight months working as a clerk; then he had cleaned up a matter of \$300 on a clothing deal and wanted to qualify in the extent of \$2100. His worship threw down his pencil in disgust and moved the dismissal of the application. Murphy was against it and before the motion could be put he had his little pencil out and was figuring up Mr. Marymont's income. Wrangle was indulged in and in the midst of it Wilson moved the application be confirmed at \$2500. That was too much and Murphy moved that it be made \$3300 which prevailed. Alex. Macfarlane, M. McKinnon and Hugh McKinnon were accepted. James McCoubrey was asked as to his earnings.

"Do you want the facts and figures of the whole cheese?" The court certainly did and he went at it in a businesslike way, taking from a memorandum that he had worked so many hours here and so many hours there and would have needed an infinitum had he not been stopped. Confirmed at \$2800. Fred Yachon has been a resident of Dawson ever since Carmaek's discovery.

MISPLACED AFFECTION

West Trifled With Miss Earle's Confidence

She Admired His Noble Character and Gave Him a Position as Her Bartender.

Mr. Justice Macaulay had all kinds of marital woes poured in his ears Tuesday. Harry West, who was brought from Whitehorse to answer to the charge of having purloined two rings and \$297 in currency from Maude Earle, of the "Old Inn" road house, was up on his preliminary hearing and it developed into another case of misplaced affection. Again it was proven that true love sometimes becomes stranded upon the sandbars of a relentless fate.

Miss Earle is a pronounced brunette of uncertain years made more so by her confession to having worn one of the rings 23 years. She had been introduced to West, who it seems is some sort of a musician, last summer, and upon their second meeting had admired his noble character to such an extent that she engaged him as bartender at her place of business. He was given complete charge of everything and she never questioned his honesty or integrity. Occasionally she would ask how she stood and he would reply that he was so much cash on hand. He paid all the bills, or was presumed to. One day he came to town to make a deposit, but neglected it as he did not have time. The rings she had loaned him to wear as he had such small, pretty hands. She was at one time good, that he had been only a dishwasher in a colored restaurant, but her confidence was not shaken. No, sir, not in the least. He was instructed to pay a liquor account of \$95 and he made an entry in the books that he had done so, but it developed later that he had also forgotten that. One day he went to work for Tom Chisholm and later he disappeared cleaning out the cash drawer with the exception of \$10.

"What wages was West to receive?" "I had been paying my bartender \$15 a week and board and I told Harry I would give him \$20 a week and do what was right with him." It was during the cross examination by Mr. Hagel that the admiration of the witness for the noble character of the accused came out. She confessed it and also that they were—well, warm friends, had had many little spats and quarrels and then made up again in the good, old fashioned way. "He had no other girl, did he?" "No, I don't think so; I don't think he could catch one. He got gay one day and I told him to give me back my rings and dough. He took one off but said he could not remove the other. Afterward I loaned him the ring back again." "Was not the purse common between you?" "No, sir. I will have you to understand Miss Earle carries her own purse." "The rings, then, were given him merely as a mark of affection." "No, sir. I loaned him the rings." "Well, so long as he was not away with another girl he was all right, wasn't he?" "I told him once any man who would steal those rings was a cheap cur. A man took one of them once to Fortymile and I made him bring it back." Mrs. Mathia Daniels, with a face shining like ebony, was next. She is the cook at the Earle household and

knows but little of the case. West had once exhibited to her a roll of bills as big as her wrist and asked her how she would like to have a poke like that. Jas. H. Falconer brought the prisoner from Whitehorse, but as he had given him no warnings what he had said could not be admitted as evidence. The case is being continued this afternoon.

Quarters Changed

Clerk of the Court Macdonald and Sheriff Elbeek exchanged offices this morning, the vault recently constructed at the north end of the building being completed and ready for use. In it all the papers connected with cases that have been heard since the formation of the territorial court in the Yukon are stored for safe keeping, they being classified according to years and months and so arranged that the clerk can put his hands on any one at a moment's notice. Criminal cases and those pertaining to estates are kept separate from the others. Five rows of pigeon holes occupy one side of the vault, those on the opposite side being but temporary. There being at present no outside lumber in the market, compartments of the native article were made to last until the opening of navigation.

Leopold to Abdicate

Berlin, Oct. 11.—German official circles are not inclined to discredit the rumors circulating in Belgium and France to the effect that the King of the Belgians contemplates abdication at an early date. An attaché of the foreign office said: "King Leopold is old and feeble and sorely needs rest from the burdens of rulership. Besides the social disturbances in Brussels in the early part of the year, family afflictions and what he has to endure through unprincipled gossippers have had a very bad effect on the aged monarch. His family has caused him so much mental anxiety lately that it is now quite certain King Leopold will not now visit the United States as he intended at one time."

J. Moss, of Quadra street, who makes a specialty of sweet peas, has received from Dawson a bush grown from seed supplied by him, and which bloomed in that northern climate in the open air. They were grown by Townsend & Rose, of Dawson, who inform Mr. Moss that the peas were grown to a height of seven and a half feet. They were of the hardy English variety, which Mr. Moss makes a specialty of, and with which he has won so many prizes.—Victoria Times Oct. 21.

THE ROSS PLATFORM

Whereas, in the opinion of this convention, the continued prosperity of the Yukon territory depends chiefly on the efforts of individual miners and prospectors, whose work is conducted under most difficult conditions, and the stability of the business of the country will be insured by furnishing regular employment to workmen; therefore, be it

Resolved, That every effort should be made by the government to secure, and such changes adopted as would secure, the ends desired. That this convention most strongly recommends: 1. Reduction of fees for miners' licenses and for recording and renewing claims. 2. The abolition of payment of commutation for assessment work, and compelling the performance of assessment work upon the claim itself, or upon the claims as grouped. 3. The adoption of such regulations as will encourage the working of low grade ground and the development of quartz mining. 4. The amendment of the mining regulations in such way as to provide a mode by which, upon satisfying reasonable conditions, holders of mining claims may obtain crown grants of the same.

GOVERNMENT AID FOR SMELTER

Whereas, Large copper deposits are proven to exist in the vicinity of Whitehorse, and the work already done on the same has demonstrated their immense value; and Whereas, In order to secure the working of such property, the establishment of a smelter is necessary, and the establishment of such smelter would create large employment for workmen, and create a market for the coal known to exist in the territory, and lead to the large development of the southern portion of the district; therefore, Resolved, That this convention recommend the encouragement by the Dominion government of the establishment of such smelter, by such aid in the way of bonus, or otherwise, as may be deemed best.

TEST MILL AND ASSAY OFFICE

Resolved, That the interests of this territory demand the establishment of a quartz test mill by the government for the free testing of ore in order to encourage and develop quartz mining and the establishment of an assay office, to be conducted by the government in connection with the government mint.

CANCEL TREADGOLD CONCESSION

Whereas, The supply of water and power to the mines on the creeks is one of the most serious questions of the day in the Yukon territory; and Whereas, in the opinion of the convention, the matter of such supply on fair and reasonable terms should

LOCAL ASSAY OFFICE

I shall advocate the establishment of an assay office in Dawson, where miners may obtain full value for their gold.—James Hamilton Ross.

MUST BE WORKED

I shall advocate the adoption of regulations compelling the actual working of claims.—James Hamilton Ross.

OTHERS HELD BY FRAUD

Resolved, That in the opinion of this convention many of the concessions now held were obtained by fraud and imposition; that it is in the interest of this territory that such concessions should be annulled, and to that end that inquiry should be set on foot to ascertain the circumstances of such fraud and imposition, and action taken by the attorney general of Canada in the premises.

MINING MACHINERY DUTY FREE

Resolved, That in the opinion of this convention it would greatly tend to assist in the working and development of mines in the territory, to permit the importation of mining machinery of a class not manufactured in Canada, free from all customs duty.

WHOLLY ELECTIVE COUNCIL

That the convention views with satisfaction the increase of the number of elective members of the Yukon council, and urgently recommends that the membership of the council be made wholly elective, without delay; and further, that all matters of a purely local character be committed to the council for deliberation and determination. Resolved, That a policy should be adopted which would prevent the obtaining of concessions for hydraulic, except in places where the dirt is of such low grade that it could not profitably be worked by other methods; and that before any hydraulic lease should issue, notice should be given by the applicant by publication in the newspapers of his intention of applying for such lease, so as to enable protests to be entered against the granting of the same; and that the owners of hydraulic concessions already granted should be compelled to carry out the strict terms of their leases; and that in default of their so doing, their leases should be cancelled.

BEING DEALT WITH BY THE GOVERNMENT

Resolved, That the government be requested immediately to make careful examination and obtain reports upon the subject with a view of cancelling forthwith the Treadgold concession, and undertaking such supply as a national enterprise.

WOMAN WHO SECURED A DIVORCE FROM HIM FOR CRUELTY

"I could tell better after I saw the woman."—Chicago Record-Herald.

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RECOMMENDATION OF MR. ROSS TO WIPE OUT ALL ROYALTY

The following is an extract from an official report of Commissioner James Hamilton Ross to the government at the close of last year, and shows his views in regard to any tax upon gold dust at that time: "Office of the Commissioner, Dawson, Y.T., Dec. 31, 1901. To the Honorable The Minister of the Interior, Ottawa, Ont. "Sir,— "The question of royalty upon gold is one that has received a good deal of attention, both of the government and the parliament of Canada; and it is also a very live question in the Yukon amongst the people from whom the tax is taken. When we consider the richness of such claims as those on Bonanza and Eldorado creeks, and the immense expense which was necessary for the government of Canada to make in the opening up and providing for the peace, order and good government of the Yukon, together with the fact that it was the general belief that the placer mines would be worked out in a very short time—for these reasons the government acted wisely in mak-

ing a provision that the people who benefited most largely by the opening of the country should pay the heavy tax. "During the last year the government have seen fit to reduce the royalty from 10 to 5 per cent., and I am satisfied that the move was in the right direction, in the interests of the development of the country, and has done a great deal towards making the miners much more contented with the conditions. The very rich claims are now practically worked out and mining is more of a business undertaking than a speculation. There are large areas of what is called low grade ground, and it is simply a question of moving dirt cheaply to make it pay. In many instances the profits are small, and in many cases the receipts do not cover the expenses. "In all such cases the royalty is, without a doubt, a great burden; and if your government was of the opinion that a sufficient revenue was being raised from the Yukon through other fees I would be pleased to recommend THAT THE ROYALTY BE DONE AWAY WITH ENTIRELY."