

FOR BETTER MAIL SERVICE.

Trustees of Board of Trade Will Make Supreme Effort.

Fire Protection Is the Uppermost Theme—Sanitation Committee Appointed.

A regular meeting of the trustees of the Board of Trade was held in President L. R. Fulda's office, those present being Messrs. McMullen, Yemans, Tozier, Fulda and Secretary Clayton. Postmaster Hartman was present by request and gave some interesting information relative to the mail service. He said that the contract with the carriers between Skagway and Dawson calls for the transportation of 700 pounds of mail matter each trip; that previous to the last mail received not to exceed 450 pounds had been brought at any one time, but that the last mail contained within a few pounds of the prescribed weight. The mail due here tomorrow consists of two loads and is probably up to the required weight. When asked why papers, magazines, etc., from the United States and upon which first-class postage is paid does not come, Mr. Hartman was not able to state, but presumed the described mail is held in the offices in which mailed, there being an order to that effect from the U. S. postal service. The postmaster advised that the U. S. officials be concorred with and asked to act at once in alleviating present conditions. Mr. Hartman is not aware that any mail matter which arrives at Skagway is held at that place. The special committee on mails, Messrs. Fulda, Yemans, Nourse and Secretary Clayton was instructed to forward the letter on the lines proposed by Mr. Hartman.

The committee on fire, light and water, E. C. Allen chairman, reported having conferred with the chief of the fire department and found that no ordinance respecting flues is in existence in the district. It was maintained by the trustees that there is in existence an ordinance regulating the running of stove pipe through partitions and regulating the distance at which stoves shall be placed from walls.

A communication from Governor Ogilvie informed the body that an ordinance providing for the compulsory construction of brick chimneys and flues within a certain district will certainly be passed by the council at an early date. Mr. Hartman offered the suggestion that in the erection of brick chimneys they be plastered on the inside with mortar in which a large amount of salt is mixed, thus giving to the chimney a glazed surface on which neither soot nor creosote will accumulate. The suggestion being a new one, Mr. Hartman was cordially thanked for offering it.

A letter from Geo. W. Van Meter, who is on 33 below upper, Dominion, asked for the co-operation of the board of trade in securing for him a franchise for the construction of a water system in this city, he having been granted a franchise in February of 1898, the franchise having been later changed, Van Meter charges, and rendered useless by the intervention of Governor Ogilvie. The communication was referred to the committee on fire, light and water.

President McMullen of the Board of Trade notified the trustees of his appointment as a standing committee on health and sanitation Messrs. Joseph L. Lancaster, Chas. J. K. Nourse and Richard Guiles. The appointments were confirmed by the trustees.

The matter of having garbage dumped further down the river than has formerly been the custom of the scavengers was discussed at length but no definite action was taken. The matter of arranging for the disposition of garbage after the river opens was also freely discussed.

It was stated that the Yukon council had changed the date of beginning the

work of the public spring cleaning from May 1st to April 1st.

The board instructed the secretary to call the attention of the council to the matter of requiring all places of amusement to construct their doors to open out, and to have all balconies and galleries properly supported; also to the matter of fire escapes for that class of buildings.

Better Railroad Facilities.

Lieut. S. E. Adair, general agent in Dawson and the Yukon territory for the White Pass & Yukon Railway Co., showed to a representative of the Daily Nugget, yesterday a letter from Chief Engineer and General Superintendent E. C. Hawkins of that company, in which he states that the people of Dawson and of the interior may be assured of a much better service the coming season than was accorded last year. Rates will be reduced in proportion to the distance carried as compared with those charged formerly. It is proposed to have the extension to Whitehorse completed in time for the coming season's business, thus doing away with the trouble and expense incident to the towing or striving to sail against the wind of scows and barges on the upper lakes.

The letter further states that the present prospects for a good season's business and a heavy traffic to and from Dawson are very flattering. Mr. Hawkins further says that any and all commissions and business entrusted to his company by its patrons in Dawson will be attended to promptly and with care.

A large amount of new rolling stock has been purchased by the company, and by early summer its equipment will be second to no road in the Northwest, and all business will be handled without an hour's delay on the part of the management of the road.

Bodies Not Yet Found.

Major Perry stated today that as yet the bodies of the three men who are supposed to have been murdered on the trail Christmas-day, Clayton, Relfe and Olsen, have not yet been found, nor has any additional light been thrown on the mystery that reveals anything tangible. The Major says, however, that to a very great degree the mystery is being cleared to the police in charge of the search and the investigation, but nothing as yet can be given out as absolute. Just what Major Perry means by "matters are clearing up" is not definite, but it is very certain that he knows what he is asserting, and as the two men, Graves and O'Brien, arrested on very strong suspicion of being the guilty parties, are held in close confinement at Tagish, he may mean that a confession is forthcoming from one of the prisoners that will unmask the mystery. At any rate, there is little doubt but that Major Perry will in the near future be in position to impart some very interesting information regarding what now has the appearance of being the most daring and atrocious crime in the history of the broad white north.

As the wire is down today at some point between Tagish and Bennett, no news was received of the actions of Clayton's friends at the other end of the line.

Weather Report.

The thermometer at the local government station registered 33 degrees below zero at 9 a. m. today.

At noon, the instrument evidenced warmer weather; and this afternoon the reading was 28 degrees below.

Superior Court.

In Justice Dugas' court today the case of Kleinschmidt vs. N. A. T. Co. is being heard. The plaintiff is suing for the recovery of money deposited with the defendants during the pending of a former trial in which plaintiff was interested and which money he contends is now unlawfully held from him. On the other hand, the N. A. T. & T. Co. alleges that the plaintiff is justly and truly indebted to it in the amount in question.

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