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## AMUSEMENTS THIS WEEK.

Auditorium-"The Henrietta." New Savoy-Burlesque and Vaude

THE SALARY GRAB.

The introduction of the salary or dinance at the council meeting last night was a distinct surprise and disappointment to the voters and taxpayers of Dawson who supported the majority of that body in the recent election. The salary for alderman, as contemplated in the bylaw, is entirely disproportionate to the time required of them and, moreover, the whole thing may be regarded as a breach of faith-for it was well understood that the councilmen "nominated on the amalgamated Citizens & People's party ticket

were to draw no salary Notwithstanding the fact that the Nugget supported the majority of the elected councilmen, we have no hesitation in saying that the salary bylaw as introduced is a straight out the crime was that Benson remained graft, and we look to see it defeated.

measure the salaries of mayor and aldermen would aggregate the sum of \$21,000 annually, which is in round numbers twenty per cent. of

A fair salary for the mayor's office would not be regarded as improper, owing to the numerous duties he is called upon to perform. This was taken into consideration before the Arthur, whose term was short,y to platform upon which the majority of the council stood was adopted, and while no reference was made to the mayor's salary it was distinctly prowithout compensation. In the largest cities of the Dominion the salary of an alderman rarely exceeds \$300 a year, and more frequently the po-

particular censure at any individual whose remains were found near Cenmember of the council. We merely trail Park in 1896. His name was wish to say that the Nugget is opsuch raid upon the as is contemplated, business of this paper to guard the general public, and in the pursuance to act, and in concluding his letter of that duty we shall hew direct to to Dotson said the line regardless of where the chips may fall.

that any permanent results will ac-The experience of other comwhich, have essayed the same undertaking is not encouraging turkeys, geese, ducks and oysters. to ultra-prohibition advocates. Just Bonanza Market, next to post office. as liquor is manufactured P. B. butter, cheapest and best.

and men are possessed of an inclination to drink, prohibition can not be made a practical success. The most satisfactory method of dealing with the question is through such legislation as will best regulate and control its sale. The liquor traffic, injurious though it is admitted to be, may be relieved of many of its most obnoxious features by the application of common sense laws. Prohibition, which invariably fails to prohibit, has never proven a satisfactory expedient.

There are the very best reasons for belief that the freight rates for the approaching summer will be materially lowered. The schedule already announced via St. Michael by one company will certainly result in a corresponding cut by the White Pass. Cheap transportation means more for Dawson and the Yukon generally than at first will be realized. An almost unlimited area of low grade cooner or later immense operations will be in progress where thus far there has been little done even in the way of prospecting.

The prospects for early peace in South Africa seem more hopeful than ever. Several of the Boer commanders now in the field have signified their willingness to abide with any arrangement made between their provisional civil officers and General Kitchener, which relieves the situation of the unsatisfactory aspect it has borne for some time. The war as at present conducted is merely resulting in an entirely useless and unnecessary loss of life and the whole world will breathe more easily when peace terms are finally arranged.

The time is at hand when the drain eading to the river should be open-A few days of warm weather will flood the streets with stagnant water which will shortly become a nuisance unless properly carried off.

Declares His Innocence.

Butte, Mont., March 19 .- A special to the Miner from Deer Lodge says that convict Clinton Dotson, who is awaiting sentence of death, has made a remarkable statement to Governor Toole, in which he declares his innocence of the two murders with which he is charged. The first murder, that of Eugene Culinane, on August 8, 1899, he asserts was committed by Oliver Benson and Ellis Persinger alone, he being in Helena at the time. Benson's confession of in hiding while Dotson and Persinger murdered the old man.

Dotson, father of the condemned man, was the victim, for plotting which Dotson is to be hanged, it is charged was done by James McArthur, who was hanged for the crime

last September. Dotson-was in for life for the first crime, and it was charged that Dotson and McArthur hatched a plot within the prison walls, whereby Mcexpire, was to murder Dotsen's father and pin a purported confession on This confession, it was supposed, would clear Dotson of the first crime and give him his liberty. was to kill Warden Conley and attempt a general release of the convicts. Dotson says through him this design was frustrated.

Dotson declares McArthur confess We shall not at this time direct ed to him the murder of a man Allen, and his folks reside in Walla Walla, Wash. Berry, a Bitter Root rancher, is also implicated in this

NO HOPE FOR DOTSON. Helena, Mont., March 19 .- A few days ago Gov. Toole refused Dotson's appeal for clemency. When his last appeal came today the governor took immediate action. He refused

"You need all the time possible for this melancholy event. It is fitaccordingly advise you that I find nothing in your application to out that tried your case, or the unanialthough there is no reason for belief mous opinion of the supreme court others are said to have been frozen that you advised and encouraged the murder of your father."

Just received over the ice, fresh

## **PROPOSED**

## Of Saleries of Firemen is Defected

Mayor Casts Deciding Ballot in the First Tie Vote Taken in the Council.

When Alderman Adair at the council meeting last night filed his report as chairman of the finance committee and it was seen it contained a new schedule of wages for the firemen, a still further reduction in their salaries, it at once became apparent there would be considerable objection to it. The wages of the chief ground is awaiting development, and had already been reduced from \$300 to \$250 a month and some of the other heads of divisions had suffered By the new similar pruning. schedule it was proposed to pay only the chief \$250; the first engineer was to receive \$225; captain and foremen but \$180; stokers \$160 and all other members of the department \$150.

Alderman Macdonald was on feet at once, stating that he desired to take issue with the finance committee upon the proposed reduction, and moved that that portion of the report referring to such be stricken out and the salaries of the fire department remain as they now are with the exception of that of the chief, which should be reduced to \$250 as previously agreed upon. The salaries at present in force are \$250 each for the chief and first engineer; all other engineers and captains \$200; others \$175.

Then came Alderman Murphy's motion to table the report for a week, he considering that there was too much meat in it to be rushed through without due consideration. Alderman Norquay offered an amendment as a compromise that all the engistokers \$200 and the others \$175. The knows perfectly well what's the matdonald, Murphy and Vachon supporting it and Aldermen Adair, Wilson and Norquay opposing. It being left to the mayor to cast the deciding ballot he announced he would support the motion, and the salaries of the firemen thus escape any further

Is Now Subsiding. St. Paul, Minn., March 17.-The ballet wounds, and he had, a long great blizzard which had raged over scar across his left shoulder. the Dakotas and Manitoba since last Friday subsided last night, and today the weather was generally fair, but intensely cold, the thermometer ranging from 10 to 16 below zero. With the subsidence of the storm the railroads are bending their energy to cobbler all your life? Deserter, again opening their lines for traffic, aren't you?" and immense rotary snowplows and gangs of men with picks and shovels are attacking the mountainous drifts Dr. Bell was always correct in his that block the tracks. The Great Northern has succeeded in opening its, line as far west as Church's Ferry, N. D., and the road is expected to be clear as far as Minot by This will open an avenue morning. of escape for the trans-continental trains on that road, which have been snowbound at Minot since Friday night. If all goes well the Coast train that should have arrived in St. Paul last Saturday morning will get here some time on Wednesday.

Northern Pacific expects to have its road open again by tomorand the through trains that have been held at Mandan in the west and Fargo in the east will be restarted upon their journeys. Efforts are also being made to reopen the Manitoba and Northern divisions of both the Great Northern and Northern Pacific, but it will be several days before traffic resumes its normal movement

FEW LIVES ARE LOST. In view of the fury and suddenness of the storm, it is remarkable that so few lives are reported lost. While the reports so far have been meager, and many remote points have not been heard froml it is the general beting that I should act promptly. I lief that not more than eight or ten persons perished throughout the storm-swept region. A family of weigh the solemn verdict of the jury four is reported to have perished near Minot, N. D., and two or three

to death at different localities. The loss of stock is difficult to estimate. A report from Dickinson, N. D., places the loss at from 25 to 30 per cent., while another places it in other localities at a much higher figure. It will be several days

fore definite information in this regard can be obtained.

There has been a good deal of sufging among the new settlers, many whom arrived but recently, and were ill prepared to withstand the severe weather, but relief committees from the older inhabitants have taken charge of this matter and are doing their best to alleviate the distress of the newcomers.

In this city, Lewis Orluwski, aged 70 years, was found dead early today on the street, apparently as result of exposure to the cold.

Prince Albert, with 3 degrees low zero, was the center of the cold in the Northwest last night, but by this morning the mercury had dropped to 4 below at that point. Dispatches from other points indicated that the big storm is over. Grand Forks, N. D., reports general suspension of all work except the shovelling of snow. No services in any churches were held there yester-

At Bismarck, N. B., the thermome ter registered 10 below this morning. If the cold lasts long it will be se vere on stock, as all farmers are very short of feed and hay.

Sherlock Holmes.

Now that Sherlock Holmes about to appear again, this time in a long story, "The Hound of the (McClure, Phillips & Baskervilles" it is interesting to recall his original. This is Dr. Joseph Bell, who was one of Dr. Conan Doyle's medical instructors at Edinburgh. Many anecdotes are told of his former pupils illustrating his powers of deduction. The latest is concerning man who, evidently in great diswalked into the hospital for treatment

"Well, what's the matter with you?" asked Dr. Bell. "I don't quite know, sir," replied

the man "What's your business?"

"Cobbler, sir.'

"Ever been anything else?" "No, sir; I've been a cobbler all my life.

Well. him. That," said Dr. Bell to his class, when the patient had been taken into the examination room, neers be paid \$225; captains and deserter from the Indian army. He amendment was put to a vote and ter with him, but he's afraid to tell lost, after which Alderman Murphy us for fear we'd know he contracted withdrew his motion to lay the it in India. Yet he's in so much pain report on the table. Then was put that he risks coming to us, trusting the original motion providing that that we won't find out what's the the salaries remain as they are. The matter with him, but will be able to vote showed a tie, Aldermen Mac- relieve him without finding out. Strange case.

Just then the patient was brought back from the examination room. "Well," said Dr. Bell, "did you find any bullet wounds or sabre cuts

"Why, yes, sir," the doctor who had made the examination replied, in great surprise. "There were two

"This disease you have," he contracted in India while you were in the army. You left the army Why didn't you go back?'

The man hung his head. "Why did you say you'd been a

"Yes, sir," faltered the patient. But that didn't surprise the class;

To Choir Members.

All the gentlemen belonging to St. Mary's choir (tenors and basses) are kindly requested to assist at a practice tonight at 8 o'clock sharp. The new members are invited to be present as a new Mass will be practiced Rev. Father Lebert

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