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KLONDIKE NUGGET.



AMUSEMENTS THIS WEEK.

Auditorium—"The Henrietta." New Savoy—Burlesque and Vaudeville.

THE SALARY GRAB.

The introduction of the salary ordinance 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.

Notwithstanding the fact that the Nugget supported the majority of the elected councilmen, we have no hesitation in saying that the salary by-law as introduced is a straight graft, and we look to see it defeated.

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

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 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 provided that the aldermen should serve without compensation.

We shall not at this time direct particular censure at any individual member of the council. We merely wish to say that the Nugget is opposed to any such raid upon the public treasury as is contemplated, and we sincerely hope that we shall not be required to refer to the matter any more forcibly.

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.

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.

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

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.

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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 to act, and in concluding his letter to Dotson said:

"You need all the time possible for this melancholy event. It is fitting that I should act promptly. I accordingly advise you that I find nothing in your application to outweigh the solemn verdict of the jury that tried your case, or the unanimous opinion of the supreme court that you advised and encouraged the murder of your father."

Just received over the ice, fresh turkeys, geese, ducks and oysters. Bonanza Market, next to post office. P. B. butter, cheapest and best.

PROPOSED REDUCTION

Of Salaries 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.

Alderman Macdonald was on his 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.

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 engineers be paid \$225; captains and stokers \$200 and the others \$175.

Is Now Subsiding.

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The Northern Pacific expects to have its road open again by tomorrow, and the through trains that have been held at Mandan in the west and Fargo in the east will be restarted upon their journeys.

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 from it is the general belief that not more than eight or ten persons perished throughout the storm-swept region.

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 before definite information in this regard can be obtained.

There has been a good deal of suffering among the new settlers, many of 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.

Prince Albert, with 3 degrees below 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.

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

Now that Sherlock Holmes is about to appear again, this time in a long story, "The Hound of the Baskervilles" (McClure, Phillips & Co.), it is interesting to recall his original. This is Dr. Joseph Bell, who was one of Dr. Conan Doyle's medical instructors at Edinburgh.

"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."

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

"Why, yes, sir," the doctor who had made the examination replied, in great surprise. "There were two bullet wounds, and he had a long scar across his left shoulder."

"Why did you say you'd been a cobbler all your life? Deserter, aren't you?" "Yes, sir," faltered the patient. "But that didn't surprise the class; Dr. Bell was always correct in his deductions."

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.

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