

ROUTINE WORK OF COUNCIL

Rush of Business Necessitates Continued Meeting

Which Will Be Held Tonight When Delayed Ordinances Will Be Read and Considered.

The Yukon council has more business now than it can accomplish. At every meeting petitions and communications present themselves in such numbers and require so much time for disposal that the councilmen find that they have no time to attend to the regular order of the day, which includes the reading and passing of ordinances. When the council adjourned last night it was decided to hold a special meeting tonight for the purpose of disposing of the ordinances now before it for consideration.

A large amount of routine business was disposed of last night.

A communication from L. L. James requesting permission to kill one moose per week during the summer to feed the men in his logging camp up the Klondike was read and referred to committee.

The manager of the Bank of British North America whose assessment for the year 1900 was placed at \$300,000 sent in a communication stating that the assessment on the entire business on all the branches of the bank by the federal government was only \$292,000, and he requested a rebate of \$150,000 on an affidavit of the cashier to the effect that their business last year did not amount to more than that figure. The communication was referred to the finance committee. The Canadian Bank of Commerce, it was stated, would also put in a similar request, which would be considered at the same time.

Business in the tax collector's office is so rushing now that Mr. Ward Smith finds it impossible to take in the money offered in payment of taxes, so he asked the council to grant him an assistant. His request was granted and the appointment left to Commissioner Ogilvie.

Staff Sergeant Raven of Grand Forks, sent in a communication relative to the garbage pile at that place which he stated would be a nuisance when warm weather came unless burned. The matter was left in his hands with instructions to purchase coal oil and burn the same.

A communication from the citizens' committee relative to the drafting of a municipal ordinance and outlining a plan for incorporation was received.

On motion of Mr. Dugas, a committee of the whole council was appointed to meet and inquire into and report on the communication. The meeting will be held so that the report may be given at the next meeting.

An account for \$144.61 was submitted by the comptroller for the draping of the courthouse at the time of the queen's death. Ordered paid.

The matter of procuring instruments for testing liquors brought into the territory was discussed, but as the council is in a state of uncertainty as to what will become of the liquor licenses, action was deferred.

The report of the committee on civil justice and miscellaneous matters was read and adopted.

The board of public works reported the appointment of Alex Anderson to the position of boiler inspector, his certificate and recommendations being the best. They also asked further time to look into the claim of Sutton for \$3000 for extras said to be due him on his road contract. The report was adopted.

Mr. Wilson raised the question of the payment of 80 cents per hour for government laborers and was informed that that goes into effect the 1st of April. He then presented a motion that a memorial be prepared and sent to Ottawa requesting that a scale of wages be established for laborers in the Yukon of 80 cents per hour or \$5 per day and board. The motion was laid over for one week.

The committee appointed by the Board of Trade at its meeting Wednesday night presented a communication asking that the matter of the licenses for transient traders be looked into. On motion of Mr. Dugas, a letter was ordered to be sent to Comptroller Lithgow asking for a report of the number of licenses issued to scows and peddlers last year with the names and amounts.

An ordinance was introduced regulating the practice of dentistry in the Yukon. The meeting adjourned to meet to night.

Fresh cabbage at Meeker's.

We fit glasses. Pioneer drug store.

MUCH MOOTED MEAT MATTER

Is Soup Bone of Contention Before Council.

The first of April is rapidly approaching and the days in which moose and caribou may be sold are numbered unless the committee appointed by the Yukon council last night to investigate the situation should make a favorable report extending the time.

A petition from the hunters and others interested in the traffic of game was presented to the council last evening requesting an extension of time in which to dispose of the meat on hand.

There is now on hand in the town a large amount of game which, if the ordinance be strictly enforced, would naturally have to be sacrificed.

At the same time the butchers, having large amounts invested in their stocks on hand, are petitioning for the immediate and strict enforcement of the ordinance.

Mr. Dugas in speaking on the question said: "If we could only be assured that the people would act perfectly honest in the matter and not take an undue advantage of our leniency, I would be perfectly willing to extend the time to allow for the disposal of the stock on hand. But we cannot be assured of that for there are no doubt a lot of people who would take an advantage of us and sell game killed after the time specified in the ordinance. We were asked to extend the time to April 1st, with the assurance that that would give plenty of time in which to dispose of the meat, which we did and now comes the request for a further extension of time. The difficulty of the question now is whether or not it is to the public interest to extend the time. If we are to change our ordinances every week or two we might just as well not make any. In this case we must proceed cautiously."

Commissioner Ogilvie's opinion on the subject was that what is now in cold storage or in town should be allowed to be sold, but that all other be barred.

Mr. Prudhomme thought that a committee should be appointed to investigate the matter to see in whose hands the meat is. He had heard there were a number of people who had speculated in the meat with full knowledge of the ordinance and of its going into effect on the 1st of April, but they had relied upon getting an extension of time to dispose of it.

Major Wood and Mr. Prudhomme were appointed a committee to report at the next meeting of the council. In the meantime the sale will be allowed to go on.

The question was also raised as to whether the restaurants would be allowed to serve game during the closed period. The question had not been raised at the time of the passing of the ordinance and Commissioner Ogilvie said that he had no idea of restricting such sale. No one opposed the question so restaurants and hotels will be allowed to serve game on their tables.

Police Court News.

In the police court yesterday afternoon the charge against J. H. Tomlinson of stealing lumber from the Canadian-Yukon Lumber Co., of which he was formerly manager, was dismissed. Another charge against Tomlinson of stealing a blanket from a woman by the name of Hunt was also dismissed. There were no cases before the court this forenoon.

John Flynn would be tried this afternoon on the charge of unlawfully selling whiskey.

Health of Philippine Troops.

Washington, March 12.—Surgeon Gen. Sternberg has received a report from Col. Greenleaf, chief surgeon of the division of the Philippines, giving some interesting statistics in regard to the health of the army in that quarter. The report is dated Manila, January 15 last. At that time the strength of the command was 67,415, and the percentage of sick was 7.49. The consolidated weekly report of hospitals in Manila and the military hospitals in the division shows 2400 sick, of which 390 were cases of malarial fever, 326 dysentery, 253 wounds and injuries, etc. There were 83 deaths among the troops during the month ended January 15.

Col. Greenleaf says that he regards the health of the command as good.

Ira M. Rank wishes to announce that the goods from the MacDougall, Southwick Co., of Seattle, are open for inspection at Mrs. Anderson's, Second street.

Kodaks bought and sold. Goetzman.

When in want of laundry work call up 'phone 52. Cascade Laundry.

KID WEST IS HERE.

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being that the latter was in jail at Tagish. West at once conceived a bold scheme for releasing O'Brien by assaulting the guards on their way with the prisoner from Tagish to Dawson but his knowledge of the stuff of which members of the N. W. M. P. are made caused him to reconsider and pass up the proposition. It was while in Skagway, although not fully proven, that West sandbagged a woman named Gertie who was on her way out from Dawson and robbed her of money and jewelry to the value of \$800. Later he went to Seattle and was soon in the toils for theft and a five years' engagement in the Walla Walla jute mills followed, from which place he was borrowed for the purpose of being brought here to testify in the case of his erstwhile fellow convict.

It is said that West was very averse to coming to Dawson and stated his determination to escape on the way down, but his safe delivery here last night and his present incarceration in the Dawson strong house shows that he reckoned without considering the vigilance of his body guard.

No trouble was experienced with him on the trip down the river during which there always rested upon him the watchful eye either of one of the party in whose custody he was or of some member of the police station where the night were passed. In reality West was in no more danger of escaping on the trip down the river than he is of walking out through the solid wall of the cell he now occupies in the jail.

The date for O'Brien's trial has not yet been fixed but it will probably be held soon. Detective McGuire who worked with the police in the case, and who is said to have made some interesting discoveries while O'Brien was confined in the Tagish jail, is here and ready to tell what he knows of the case.

TO EXPLORE THE ARCTICS

Geological Surveyor Schrader Here En Route North.

Mr. F. C. Schrader, a United States geologist who is leading a geological survey party for the head of the Koyukuk arrived in Dawson last evening by the stage.

Mr. Schrader, in speaking of his trip and its object to a Nugget representative today said: "Our destination is the unknown region between the head of the Koyukuk and the Arctic ocean. We will make a geological survey of the formation of the country with a view of ascertaining its mineral resources and also to gain all the information possible as to its topographic and geographic formations."

"Our route will extend down the Yukon to Fort Yukon, up the Chandlerier river, across the divide into the Koyukuk basin, then northward up some of the principal tributaries of the Koyukuk and across the Rocky mountain divide separating the drainage of the Yukon and Koyukuk rivers on the south and the Arctic ocean on the north. We hope to reach the divide by dog team and from there we will descend some unknown river to the Arctic coast. There is a large portion of the country we are to traverse that white man has never set his foot on and the drainage system on the other side of the divide is not even known."

"After we reach the coast we will extend our work westward from one to two hundred miles and if time presents we will return by way of the Koyukuk. If this, however, cannot be done we will take our way along the Arctic coast to Point Barrow where we will be able to catch a whaler."

There are eight men all told in Mr. Schrader's party, five of whom are ahead establishing a base of supplies. The balance of the party will meet them at Bergman on the Koyukuk and from thence the party will proceed together.

Beef, chechako, 33c by the side, at P. O. Market, Third street.

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Third street, opp. the Nugget office

At the present rate of consumption, the white fish the Pacific Cold Storage Co. brought in for the Lenten season will all be gone long before Easter.

Shoff, the Dawson Dog Doctor Pioneer Drug Store.

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The Ladies of Dawson and vicinity are respectfully invited to inspect our stock recently received over the ice. We shall be pleased to show them the latest Parisian styles in trimmed millinery, blouses, silk skirts and a fine line of really elegant tailor made suits, spring coats and jackets, new handkerchiefs, neckwear and numerous other articles necessary to the toilet of a well dressed lady.

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