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When Considerable Business is Transacted.

VIOLATOR OF LAW REFUSED LICENSE.

Forks Hotel Keepers Ask License Reduction from \$2000 to \$1000.

Will Convene Tonight to Consider Petition of Citizens' Committee—Road Matter Is Referred—Wiley's Telephone Franchise Progressing.

A special meeting of the Yukon council was held on Saturday, March 3d, the commissioner presiding.

Present: Messrs. Ogilvie, Senkler, Girouard, Clement, Dugas, Perry.

A petition was received through the acting license inspector, from H. H. Pitts, and other residents of Fort Selkirk, praying for the renewal of a liquor license to Mr. Wade Blaker. The communication accompanying the petition stated that Mr. Blaker had been refused a license on account of having been convicted on three occasions for breaches of the liquor ordinance during the past year. The council approved of the license inspector's action in refusing the license.

A petition was received from the hotel keepers of Grand Forks praying for the reduction of the license fee of \$2000 to \$1000. The clerk was instructed to refer the petition to the license inspector, asking what licenses are in force at Grand Forks, when they expire, and further information respecting roadhouses and hotels and his recommendation in regard to the petition.

A communication was received from A. W. Robinson tendering for the construction of the proposed winter road to connect Upper Dominion with the government highway, near the Dome, and a communication was received from H. B. Mitchell, tendering for the work of building the above road, and also one on Last Chance creek. Referred to the committee on Public works for action.

A communication was received from S. Running asking for compensation for a cabin which was removed by the sheriff last summer from the Klondike. No action.

A communication was received from the comptroller, accompanied by an account of \$25 from H. H. Hurdman for medical attendance on R. B. Switzer. No action.

A communication was received from Messrs. Patrick & Ridley on behalf of Maria Ferguson tendering for the numbering of the buildings and residences in Dawson pursuant to the ordinance granted in her favor respecting a business directory for Dawson. Referred to the municipal committee.

A communication was received from the secretary of the citizen's committee of the Yukon territory, accompanied by two petitions addressed to his excellency the governor general in council, praying for the enforcement of that portion of the act amending the Yukon territory's act which provides for the election of two members to the Yukon council and stating that the committee desires that the petition which the council endorsed should be telegraphed to Ottawa.

Moved that consideration be given to the question at the next meeting of council.

A communication was received from the legal adviser giving it as his opinion that the council has power to enact legislation respecting the work of the placer mines, looking to the insuring of protection to the workmen.

A communication was received from the legal adviser in respect to taxation

ordinance. Referred to the finance committee.

Moved by Major Perry, seconded by Mr. Senkler.

Resolved, That the legal adviser be instructed to draft an ordinance upon the lines provided in the municipal ordinance, part 3, of the Northwest territories, entitled "The assessment and collection of taxes."

A communication was received from the legal adviser in reply to a reference to him by council of the inapplicability of the billiard ordinance.

Moved by Mr. Justice Dugas, seconded by Mr. Senkler.

Resolved, That the legal adviser be instructed to prepare an ordinance respecting the licenses for billiard tables.

A communication was received from Samuel Word in respect to his application for a water franchise. Referred to the committee on private bills.

A communication was received from J. Wiley in respect to his application for a telephone charter. Referred to the private bills committee.

The council then adjourned until Monday, the 5th inst., at 8 p. m., at which time the petition of the citizens committee will be considered.

THE JACK WADE LITIGATION FORREST IS NOW ON TRIAL

Has Been Favorably Concluded For Dealing Marked Cards at At Sitka, Alaska.

And the Claims Lately in Dispute Constables Booth and Cunningham Are the Principal Witnesses for the Crown—Case Begun Today

During the present winter many unfavorable reports have been received here from Jack Wade creek. Readers of the Nugget will remember of the litigation which involved the titles to claims Nos 1, 3a, fraction on 3a, 4, fraction on 4, 5, and the fraction on 5, all above lower discovery. An injunction was issued at Sitka by Judge Johnson restraining any development work on these properties. In December of last year, while the claim owners and laymen were busily engaged in winter operations, the writs of injunction were served, and all work on the claims in dispute was immediately discontinued. The miners against whom the restraining orders had been issued, delegated Messrs. Steelsmith and Kemp to go to Sitka for the purpose of contesting the legal proceedings. On the 14th of last month, a telegram was received at Dawson, and immediately dispatched by private carrier to Jack Wade creek, which contained the information that the injunctions had been dissolved. Mining operations have been resumed on the properties, recently in litigation, and the output from these claims will augment considerably this season's product of Jack Wade.

Pay dirt has been found recently on lower discovery and on Nos. 1, 6 and 11 above lower discovery. Messrs. Falcon Joslyn and J. H. McCourt have struck it rich on No. 1 above upper discovery, No. 7 above lower discovery, owned by Messrs. Scherer, Hefley and Austin, is being worked with machinery. The owners of this claim have crossed the pay streak, the width of which is 80 feet. The largest and probably the richest dump on the creek will be washed by the owners of No. 7.

At present there are about 150 men on Jack Wade, most of whom are laymen and owners. About 15 men are employed as miners on No. 7 above lower discovery; and the ruling wages on the creek are \$1 per hour. The Cape Nome district has attracted a few who were wintering on Wade.

Messrs. A. S. Shannon and J. H. McCourt arrived in Dawson Sunday. Both gentlemen are heavily interested in Jack Wade properties. In speaking of the district, Mr. McCourt said:

"Affairs on Jack Wade are looking better now than at any time since the creek was discovered. The injunctions which restrained work on some of the richer properties have been dissolved, and work on these claims have now been resumed. The creek is being developed slowly; but the results are satisfactory to claim owners. I should say that there are 33 properties which have prospected well; and some of these have developed into paying propositions. Just before I left, Dudley McKinney secured a \$43 50 pan from his fraction on No. 4 above lower, and No. 6 above lower is proving to be as rich as No. 7.

"We are somewhat inconvenienced by the recent enforcement of the United States tariff regulations. All importations from Canadian territory are assessed, and it makes no difference whether or not such importations are of American or Canadian manufacture. The trail from Wade to Eagle is impassable now, and our depot for supplies is Fortymile post."

Messrs. McCourt and Shannon are on their way to the outside. They expect to return to Jack Wade early next summer.

The case of the Queen vs. Thomas Forrest is now on trial before Justice Dugas and a jury in the territorial court. The prisoner is accused of cheating with marked cards. The crime is alleged to have been committed on November 10th, 1899, at the Aurora gambling room, at which place the defendant was dealing black jack. This morning was occupied in hearing the testimony of Constables Booth and Cunningham of the N. W. M. P. force, who are the principal witnesses for the Crown. Constable Cunningham is the police officer who played at the prisoner's game and secured the cards, which are said to be marked. Under the cross-examination of Attorney McCaul neither of the witnesses appeared to advantage.

The defense of the prisoner is that the cards were not marked to his knowledge; and that Booth and Cunningham instigated the present criminal action after endeavoring to blackmail the accused and several of his friends. The trial will not be concluded till sometime tomorrow.

McNabb Getting There.

Walter McNabb, who left here several weeks ago for Nome, has been heard from by a message to Tom Chisholm to this effect: "McNabb was met below Fort Yukon; he was in his shirt sleeves, going like —, and his dogs were all barking." From this it is evident that McNabb will probably reach Nome.

PAUL BORDMAN'S COW

Will Dance the Next Set In Territorial Court.

NOT IN JURISDICTION OF POLICE COURT.

George Cantwell Wants Pay for Orpheum's Trouble-Killer.

Whiskey in a Witness Impedes Justice—Ate Up His Bill—Partners on Sulphur Wield an Ax and Talk of Hearts, Livers and Such Things.

Major Perry, having returned from a five days' trip to Dominion, occupied the judicial chair in police court this morning.

The first case on trial was that of F. W. Stacy vs. Johnson for \$12.50 labor, performed on the latter's claim. After two days and a half's work Stacy was discharged, but during the following six days he boarded with his former employer who in court this morning presented a counter claim for board amounting, at \$2 25 per day, to \$13 50. As Stacy did not deny the correctness of the board bill, the case was dismissed at his costs and he emerged from the court room wondering who he was and where he got off.

Wm. Crabb charged by Jas. E. Wilson with stealing one set of doubletrees to the value of \$10, was in court and ready for trial, but Wilson asked a postponement of the case on the ground that his principal witness was drunk and not in condition to appear in court. He thought he would be sufficiently sober by 4 o'clock this afternoon, to which hour the case was continued. Crabb, who is out on bond, did not appear to feel that he will have any trouble in establishing his innocence.

For some time past Paul Bordman's dancing cow at the Orpheum has been a source of unmingled delight and unalloyed pleasure to the boys. Unlike the cows that, after serving humanity as milk producers for from 9 to 17 years, are shipped to Dawson and a Jd, all except the horns, hoofs and hides, as "choice cuts" at six bits per pound, Bordman's cow did not come high. Only \$50 was the price of this mirth producer, and when it is considered that she has the power to tell dull care to "fly away mit yourself," and to cause many a man to forget for fully five minutes at a stretch that he has

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MONDAY, MARCH 5, 1900

LOYALTY TO THE EMPIRE.

The Canadian troops are acquitting themselves with the utmost gallantry in South Africa. Honorable mention has been made of their services on several occasions and the grim death roll demonstrates conclusively that they have been placed in the thickest of the fray. Canada has every reason to be proud of her contribution to the forces now engaged in the Boer war. They are for the most part men inured to hardships and capable of entering immediately into active service and accomplishing effective work. The Strathcona contingent will be one of the most effective bodies of men ever brought together in a single command. The pick of Canada's best men will be in its ranks, and the conclusion of the war will doubtless see the "Strathcona horse" held in the same spirit of veneration with the historic "Light Brigade."

The general rally to the support of the empire which has been made by the colonies is one of the striking features of this war. From Canada, Australia and other British colonies volunteers have been offered until the number includes more men than the situation requires.

This war with Kruger will serve to awaken the spirit of federation as it never before has been awakened throughout the British empire. The spirit of loyalty to the central authority is awakened and the British empire will come out of this war more closely and harmoniously welded than ever before.

That Britain was unprepared for the struggle is now a matter beyond doubt. The strength of the Boers and the vast preparations which they are now known to have long been making for the war which they saw was inevitable, were practically unknown to the war office in London, and in consequence the estimates made as to what would be required to put down the war, were entirely disproportioned to the necessities of the situation. When, however, a realization of the actual conditions came and the word went abroad throughout the colonies that the empire was in need, the response came readily and quickly. The wily Boer had caught the Lion napping, but once awakened, he has demonstrated that he is alive to the emergency.

The war bill will amount to a pretty penny, but the knowledge Britain will have of the loyalty of her colonies will fully recompense her for any and all expenditures.

OUR OPPORTUNITY.

The expressed determination upon the part of the leaders of the present Liberal government to go before the country for a general election at the close of the present session of parliament should be made the opportunity for securing a hearing from Canada upon the matters

which vitally effect the interests of every person who desires to remain in the Yukon territory.

Insofar as influencing the general results of an election is concerned, we could not hope to do that by strength of votes even though the entire population was granted the rights of suffrage. All we can expect to accomplish is to gain recognition of the points which we wish covered through proper and forceful presentation of the same. If we can succeed in showing, as we believe can be done, that a more liberal policy toward this country on the part of the home government would be a business policy and result to the increase of the government's revenues, we can hope that recognition of our claims will be taken.

Governments, like individuals, are essentially selfish and when the Canadian government is made to realize that its own interests are being sacrificed as a result of its present policy, we may expect a radical change in its attitude.

REPRESENTATION.

The council will this evening get down to the consideration of the question of local representation in its membership. The people of the territory have evidenced their desire for such representation with sufficient emphasis as to leave the council in no doubt as to what their wishes are. We believe that the best interests of the people at large will be subserved by carrying into effect the provisions of the laws authorizing representation on the council. Men who are directly interested in the development of this country and who are responsible to the people of the community for their positions will have every object in doing their utmost to further the welfare of the territory. We have no desire in saying this to impugn the motives of the gentlemen who at present constitute the Yukon council, but any sort of government which is not responsible directly to the people it is called upon to govern, is repugnant to the spirit of our fundamental institutions.

Uncle Sam is rapidly awakening to a realization of the importance of his Alaska possessions. Among other improvements which will be made in the method of dispensing justice throughout the big territory, three district judges will be appointed, two of whom will be located on the Yukon river, and the third on the coast, with headquarters at Juneau, the capital of Alaska to be. Alaska is not to be allowed any representation in congress, not even to the extent of a territorial delegate. Should the development of the territory continue and the number of its population increase as now appears will be the case congress will devote more attention to the details of its government. Alaska will justify all the attention it receives at the hands of the American government so long as that attention does not take the form of unjust and restrictive legislation.

Inquiries of U. S. Consul.

Acting U. S. Consul John Q. Adams is in receipt of a few inquiries respecting missing persons:

Louise Johnson, of Los Angeles, California, asks concerning the whereabouts of her husband, Alexander Johnson. He came to Dawson in 1898, and has not written to his wife since July, 1899.

William L. Pierce, an attorney of San Francisco, representing Mrs. Guillard, inquires regarding the latter's husband,

Paul Alexander Guillard. He started for the Klondike in 1899, and is supposed to have reached here and associated himself with a quartz mining syndicate. His wife has not heard from him since September, 1899.

PAUL BORDMAN'S COW.

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only three pounds of flour and only enough bacon skin to grease his griddle four times, it must be said that she was dirt cheap at the price, and if by any process of transmogrification (a \$4 word used only by the writer and on state occasions) she could be converted into the real thing, she would be worth several times \$50 as a soup generator, and the first step of the dancing cow towards soup was this morning when she figured in police court as a bone-soup bone, perhaps — of contention. Geo. G. Cantwell, the manufacturer of this famous animal has not been recompensed for his handiwork and it was for that reason that he as plaintiff and Paul Bordman were in court this morning. But the case lasted only so long as it took Cantwell to state his story, when Major Perry informed him that his court has no jurisdiction in cases for money other than wage cases; and that suit had been instituted in the wrong court. The case was accordingly dismissed without costs, and the terpsichorean cow will dance the next set in the territorial court.

Andrew Pucher and H. G. Hoffman are partners on a lay on No. 4 below on Sulphur, but that fact has been conducive to trouble rather than harmony of feeling. According to Pucher his partner is a dangerous man in that he threatened to kill him with an ax, and as an indication that it was not an idle threat Hoffman had struck at him several times and chased him around and over the dump with the ax in his hand. Pucher, who has in him the making of a second Boohn in the line of tragedy, was rather striking in the descriptive role this morning in laying information against his partner. The case will be up for hearing at 4:30 this afternoon. In the meantime the alleged ax wielder is in the royal bastille.

Alaska's Judgeship.

Regarding ex District Judge Johnson's successor in Alaska, the Skagway Alaskan says:

"Alaska may possibly still be going by the nickname of 'Seward's ice chest' in the States, yet, nevertheless, whenever there is a political office vacant in this what is called God-forsaken country, there are any number of applicants for it. That is the trouble just at present which is delaying the appointment of Judge Johnson's successor.

The Oregon senators are pulling hard for Judge Hunt, of Southern Oregon; the Washington delegation is wrangling about three candidates and cannot decide to give either one its united support. The foremost of these candidates is Judge Humes the present mayor of Seattle; and the other two candidates are Judge Wickersham, of Tacoma, and ex Congressman Hyde, of Spokane, and from the latter 'may angels and minister of grace defend us.' Senator Shoup is backing Judge Stewart, who was connected with the miners' trial at Wardner, and there are others, some of them from the middle west and some from the eastern states, but Alaska has no candidate.

"Attorney General Griggs states that the kind of man he desires to see appointed to the Alaska judgeship is such a man as Stephen J. Field was when he mounted the judicial bench in California in the early days. He may be holding the opinion that Southeastern Alaska is in about the same wild, turbulent condition as was San Fran-

cisco in the days of '49. But if the attorney general waits until he finds such a man as Stephen J. Field was to accept the position, the judgeship is likely to be vacant for some time."

Saturday Night's Dance.

Prot. Duffy gave his regular dance on Saturday night. There was a large crowd present. The program consisted of 18 numbers and the guests enjoyed a most pleasant time.

A Boon to Miners.

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NOTICE.

Any person or persons living in any of the cabins or tents or in any way occupying any of the surface ground of Pioneer Mining Claim No. 5 above discovery on Bonanza Creek, are hereby notified to vacate same at once, as the owners intend immediate work preparatory to operating said ground. JNO J. HEALY, Superintendent of Mines.

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There are several distinct classes of people in Dawson, all of whom, in their own way manage to keep the gaunt wolf from the door. There is first those who are in business and who live pretty much the same one day as another. To them the events of life came regularly and plod along pretty much in the same channel week after week and month after month. Many of them have a good roll of "chechako" in their inside vest pockets and if the wheels of trade and commerce should suddenly cease to revolve, this class would get on very nicely until that proverbial "something" turned up.

The mine owners and operators compose another class who pretty well understand just where they stand, for the shrewd business man is not going to work a force of men several months at building up a big dump unless he knows just about how much that dump will yield to the square yard at cleanup time, therefore he gauges his outlay and all business factors accordingly. Many members of this class are today very uncomfortably short of ready cash, but they know they have the certain satisfaction of knowing that when they have finished with the cleanup they will have a place in the world as men far above the pauper list, if not with moneyed magnates.

Another class is composed of horny handed sons of toil who feel that for them it is foreordained that they must work ten hours each day and every working day of the year. This class is the bone and sinew of the country, and without its representatives both classes previously mentioned would be completely handicapped. They are the backbone of the mining industry and at the same time contribute liberally towards the support of the government when in the city by violating the health ordinance for which they are fined.

Another distinct class is composed of men who are really sports, men who try to be sports and others who are simply dreaming that they will be sports some day. The first class, the real sports, usually live on the best that is to be had, and even if by the frowns of the fickle goddess, they are "dead flat" for a period they go on living just the same for the reason that during better days they made themselves good fellows and thereby established a credit which tides them over periods when the dark cloud of adversity hovers temporarily over them. The second class of sports, the white check fellows, usually keep the price of a meal in the "other" pocket, for they know that their credit at the hasheries is limited and will not stand pressing; two meals on a slip is usually the limit. The class that confidently expect to become famed as knights of the green in the near future are the fellows who stand around and make knowing remarks when a plunger is playing, and who rarely ever play themselves unless staked by someone else who has either made a winning or who has been given a "fill" by the knowing tinhorn and staked him, hoping thereby to make several hundred per cent on his investment, but who loses it in nine cases in every ten.

Another peculiar stamp of humanity which is as indigenous to Dawson as to any city in the known world is that class which absolutely refuses to work and who would scorn to sit at a gambling table even if staked to play. But they are not adverse to spending each day around the stove of a saloon or gambling room, but that is for their comforts derived from the stove rather than from any interest they have in

what is going on around them. Those fellows nearly all have cabins out on the edge of town or up the Klondike, or in West Dawson, or any place they find one for which they have no rent to pay. Each one of them carries a stump of a lead pencil with which he occasionally figures out how many meals his present stock of provisions will make. After figuring until the problem has been satisfactorily, or otherwise, solved, the fellow usually walks off to a corner alone where he proceeds to count over his silver; for this class usually have a few dollars remaining of what they brought with them when they came in last fall, and but very few of them but are able to state the exact number of meals they can count on in the future. When asked what they intend doing they invariably remark that they are waiting for something to turn up, and when asked why they do not go out and turn up something they answer: "Horses and dogs were made to work."

As a field for the study of human nature, Dawson presents a broad and interesting one.

Regarding Canada.

One who knows Canada well, says the Toronto Globe, and who makes periodical visits to this country, although he has lived for some years in Great Britain, in the course of a private letter says:

"I am looking at Canada from the outside with my intelligence, but I am feeling her with my heart. I believe that in another fifteen years she will have twelve millions of people within her borders. In population she now outranks Greece, Turkey in Europe, Holland, Belgium, Norway and Sweden, Switzerland, indeed all the third rate powers of Europe. Her strength is that of Greece and Belgium combined. Her resources are those of all the third rate powers of Europe put together—partially developed resources, but still limitless. One has ceased to think of her as a colony—I never did allow myself to think of her as a colony; one does not recognize her as a dependency. She is a nation in what is practically a confederation of nations.

"The French Canadian is before everything else a son of the soil of Canada. He is by tradition, inheritance and identification with that settlement of the country, of it, as truly, maybe more truly, than the United Empire loyalist. I do not claim for him that he is eager to share in ambitious imperial designs, nor that England is to him, save legally and technically, the mother land. But I do claim that to him the English flag is the symbol of order and justice, and law, and progressive civilization. I claim for him that with all his faults, or, rather, weakness, the result of the isolation of language, religion and temperament, he is as true a citizen of Canada as any other man.

"The English speaking Canadian is not always ready to try and understand what might be called the mental idiosyncrasy of his French fellow-citizen. For a hundred years or more we have been compelling the French Canadian to see national matter through English eyes. He has to think, as it were, in an English language and through all temperaments, while English speaking people demand his co-operation and his sympathy for our own national ideas, without any understanding or any concession that is not granted at the point of the political bayonet.

"I believe that as Sir Wilfrid Laurier, a Frenchman, is able to lead the English speaking people of Canada, so an English Canadian might lead, with no great difficulty. I believe the people of French Canada, had he sympathy, temperament, honesty and strong will. I have met few men more broad minded than Sir Wilfrid Laurier, who, it seems to me, has increased in strength and grown larger in will and purpose. He strikes me as a statesman, and that says much in the unstatemanlike condition of the political world generally."

Last Night's Concert.

The concert last evening at the Orpheum theater was a grand success. The cosy theater was crowded from pit to dome with an audience of critical but enthusiastic lovers of music. The soloists were in splendid voice and acquitted themselves to the satisfaction of all present.

The orchestra was up to the usual high standard which Dawson audiences have learned to expect and was awarded with repeated encores.

The climax was reached with the de-

scriptive piece of "American Battle Scenes," over the rendition of which the utmost enthusiasm was manifested.

The program was as follows:

First Part—Torchlight dance, Meyerbeer; the Mill on the Cliff, Reisinger; scene, duet from Trovatore, (4th act), Verdi, Miss Lorne as Azucena, Mr. Zimmerman as Manrico; waltz, Gungel; baby song, Campana, Miss Blossom.

Second Part—Morning, Noon and Evening at Vienna, F. V. Suppe; The Steeple of the Hill, R. Franz, Mrs. Leroy Tozier; Hungarian Dances, Brahms; Il Bacio (Kiss Waltz), Arditti, Miss Lorne; The Mill, Eilenberg; prison scene and miserere, 3d act Trovatore, Verdi, Miss Lorne as Leonora, Mr. Zimmerman as Manrico; descriptive piece, American Battle Scenes, Tobani.

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From Scow Island.

An occasional load of freight still reaches the city from Scow Island, where it has been since the latter part of October, when Boreas overtook a large fleet of scows en route down the river to this place, which early closing of the river and shutting out of scows has added many thousands of dollars to the aggregate cost of living in Dawson within the past three months. The freight stranded up the river which has not already been freighted down will mostly remain where it is until it can be floated down when navigation opens.

Decline in Wood.

With the advent of the spring season, notwithstanding the weather continues fully as cold as in mid-winter, there is a material decline in the price of fuel. Where wood sold at \$22 per cord in December, the same article or better can be purchased now at \$16 and a fair article at from \$13 to \$15. This decline is due to the fact that those who have large supplies of wood on hand are desirous of disposing of it while the roads are still in good condition for hauling. It is probable that wood is fully as cheap now as it will be at any time during the coming summer.

Notice.

Notice is hereby given that an application will be made to the commissioner in council of Yukon territory for an ordinance to ratify and confirm the letters patent issued on the 14th day of October, 1898, by William O. Silvie, Esq., commissioner of Yukon territory, to the Dawson Electric Light and Power Company, Limited, or for the incorporation of the said company for the purposes and objects specified in said letters patent.

And for a grant to the said corporation of the exclusive right and privilege of laying or fixing wires, and supplying and furnishing, by electricity, light, heat and power, within the limits of the City of Dawson, and of Klondike City, and lands adjacent thereto, subject to such restrictions, terms and conditions as may be approved, and to confirm and ratify a certain trust deed of the said company, dated 22d June, 1899. And to increase the capital stock of the said company to \$150,000. And to grant to the said corporation

power to issue debenture bonds, and other securities, and to acquire, hold and sell real and personal property, and to grant all other powers and privileges incidental to such undertakings or any of them, and with all usual powers and privileges.

Dated at Dawson, Yukon territory, this 19th day of February, 1900.

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c3 19 Advocates for the Applicants.

The most glorious liquor that ever kissed the lips of man at the Rochester bar.

First Boat for Nome.

Steamer W. K. Merwin, now lying on the Dawson water front, will be the first boat to leave for Nome. Capt. Talbot has rearranged the stateroom accommodations so that 84 berths are available for first class passengers. The Merwin is a staunch sea boat, 130 feet in length, built with deep draught for the Puget sound business, and those who were accustomed to travel on her on the Sound endorse the Merwin as the best sea boat on the Yukon river, safe and seaworthy for the trip from the mouth of the river to Cape Nome. Through tickets to Nome are now on sale at Yukon Dock.

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DAWSON, Y. T.

TRAVEL IS NOW BY TAGISH

Toll Charges on the Cut-off too Heavy for Freighters.

Many Horses Lost on Trail—Hundreds of People and Much Stock Coming Dawsonwards.

O. P. Helm arrived last evening from McClintock, on the Yukon. He reports a great procession of travelers going out of Bennett daily, and pushing down the lakes by the way of Tagish. They are taking in supplies and live stock that were blockaded in Skagway during the late storm. He said last night at the Golden North:

"Nearly all the freight that has left Bennett for Dawson the last several days is going by the way of Tagish and is avoiding the cutoff from Cariboo. This is because the charges for taking freight over the cutoff are three and a half cents a pound, and many of the men who were delayed here so long sustained such heavy losses they have need of the money left for other purposes, and cannot afford to pay toll. The trail has been broken by the way of Tagish and travelers and freighters are moving right along, provided they do not attempt to go in wide sleds. The trail is broken only for narrow sleds. Wide sleds are useless there.

"Every morning as far as the eye can reach, one can see teams starting down the lakes from Bennett. Miller has gotten away from Bennett with his cattle. He has divided them into two herds and drives one several miles ahead of the other.

"I started from Skagway in January with steam fittings for Dawson, hoping to make a good profit by reaching the market early. But I met with the misfortune of losing two horses in Marsh lake on January 21, while attempting to break trail, and in losing a third in Fifty-mile river shortly after. The loss of the animals so crippled me I had to give up any attempt to deliver the goods myself. I sent them forward by other parties, but the trouble I had experienced had thrown me so far behind in the race, and besides sustaining the loss of \$400 to \$500 on the horses, I lost the prospect of making a neat profit by a successful disposal of my goods in Dawson just when they were in good demand. Now others have got in with a similar line. I shall make a trip to Seattle and then go to Dawson.

"Many men are on the trail bound for Nome, and some of them are pulling their own sleds and camping out and doing their own cooking. Those who are pulling sleds are going as far as Dawson, and there to wait the opening of the river, so they may complete the trip to Nome by boat."—Daily Alaskan.

Insolvent.

The affairs of the Nugget Express are in liquidation. Messrs. Pattulo & Ridley state that a meeting of creditors of the express will be called and an assignment of all assets made to an administrator for the benefit of creditors. In reply to several inquiries made at this office, we will say that the Nugget Express was a separate and independent business enterprise and in no wise connected with the Klondike Nugget. This paper is in no way affected by the insolvency of the Nugget Express.

A City of Orders.

At the present time the Arctic Brotherhood is the only secret order operating in Dawson under charter. Today a charter for an aerie of the Fraternal Order of Eagles arrived and organization will be perfected at once. The Knights of Pythias have already formed a social club and within a few weeks will have a charter for a lodge at this place. There are hundreds of Odd Fellows here and there is talk of their banding together and asking for a

charter for a local lodge from the Canadian grand lodge. Probably there are more Odd Fellows in the Yukon than members of any other secret order.

Gold Commissioner's Curt. o

On February 12th, 1900, Commissioner Senkler decided the case of Augustus B. Thompson vs. Charles L. Johnson and A. Applechrist, in favor of the plaintiff. The action involves the title to the hillside claim, right limit, opposite No. 7 below A. Mack's discovery, on Quartz creek.

Messrs. Belcourt and McDougal, on behalf of the defendants, have appealed to the minister of the interior at Ottawa from the judgment rendered by the gold commissioner.

No cases are being tried by Commissioner Senkler today.

Weather Report.

The minimum temperature last night was 28 degrees below zero.

At 9 o'clock this morning the thermometer registered 13 degrees below.

At noon the official instrument recorded 12 degrees above zero.

A Fire Alarm

At 4 o'clock last Saturday afternoon, the department was called to a fire, which occurred in the store immediately south of the postoffice building, which did no particular damage, as it was extinguished with a few buckets of water.

Dismissed From Office.

Ottawa, Feb. 12.—The Dominion government has dismissed Dan Smith, inspector of public works in Manitoba, and R. S. Parks, formerly inspector of homesteads, and now of the Dominion land office, Manitoba. This has been done in view of the action of Hugh John Macdonald's government in dismissing provincial officials. Others will follow. There is said to be a considerable list ready, which will probably wait future action of Macdonald's administration.

A Brave Boer.

London, Feb. 12.—A dispatch from Buller's camp, dated yesterday, noon, describes a daring feat on the part of the Boer general Viljoen. A Maxim Vickers gun, abandoned by the Boers in a dorga, was about to fall into British hands when the fearless Viljoen himself brought back a team of horses and escaped with the gun, threading his way between the red flashes and black clouds of Lyddite shells which the British artillery concentrated on him.

Boers Incite Natives.

London, Feb. 3.—The Times has the following special today:

Sterkstroom, Feb. 1.—Trustworthy information has reached us that the Boers are distributing pamphlets in the vernacular in Basutoland to the natives, inciting them to rise against the British and promising the restoration of their conquered territory as an inducement.

Prosperous Season.

Orr & Tukey, have enjoyed a prosperous season and have probably handled as much goods as all the other freighters combined. The concern has kept only the best stock obtainable and has had a remarkably small loss, its stock looking even better now than in the fall.

New Show at the Orpheum.

The Orpheum stock company will produce this week "Fanchon the Cricket." The entire company is cast for the piece and a clever rendition of the play can be expected. Blossom will appear as Fanchon and Old Fadet will be portrayed by Julia Walcott. "Fanchon the Cricket" is the play in which Maggie Mitchell made her remarkable success.

Best Canadian rye at the Regina.

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ALEX HOWDEN—Barrister, Solicitor, Advocate, etc. Criminal & Mining Law, Room 21 A. C. Office Block.

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