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LET DOWN EASILY

Proposition to Ask for Government Assay Office Gingerly Handled

BY BOARD OF TRADE LAST NIGHT

Was Not Upheld by Previous Staunch Advocates.

NO ENTHUSIASTIC SUPPORTERS

An Inoffensive and Unmeaning Resolution Passed — Gold Dust Question Tackled Next.

The amount of talking done at the Board of Trade meeting last night as compared with the actual business transacted was in the ratio of plus 100 to minus 1.

The wind has shifted and now blows from another quarter.

Resolved, That the Board of Trade favors an assay office in Dawson, providing all persons shall have the right to dispose of their gold to the assay office or any other persons if they shall so desire.

The above compromise resolution was passed, being substituted for a preced-

ing one introduced by Falcon Joslin which was as follows:

Resolved, That it is the sense of the Board of Trade that it would be desirable to have an assay office established at Dawson as a substitute for the present system of royalty collection.

Resolved further, That the establishment of an assay office at Dawson solely for the purpose of assay and purchase of gold by the government would be of little if any, benefit to the community.

Two hours devoted to the hearing of "general expression" preliminary to the introduction of the two resolutions and the passing of the former which was presented by Thos. McGowan.

Besides a full meeting of the board, many others interested in the welfare of the country were present. Commissioner Ogilvie and Judge Dugas occupied seats on the platform with President Mizner. It being understood that the question of the desirability or undesirability of the establishing of an assay office in Dawson by the Dominion government was the main topic for discussion at the meeting, the officials as well as those having large business interests in the community were invited to be present and participate in it. Mr. Ogilvie, being first called upon, said that last June the council, being convinced that the royalty was too high, had memorialized Ottawa to reduce it or, in lieu of making the desired reduction, to establish an assay office here and compel all gold mined in the district to be deposited there in exchange for government certificates negotiable in any part of Canada at their face value. He did not believe, however, as there is no mint in Canada, that it would be the proper thing now, in view of the reduction in royalty and other concessions made to the miner, for the government to go into the gold buying business as he did not think it would be a self-sustaining proposition.

Judge Dugas said that in conversation with Ottawa officials last summer they expressed themselves as favorable to the establishing of an assay office here, but legislation was first needed in order that parliament might act in the matter. The judge said it was but natural that the banks would oppose such a move, but it rested with the government to act in the matter.

In reply to a question propounded by Mr. Joslin as to whether there is now any authority for the establishing of a Dominion assay office, Mr. Dugas said he thought there was not.

Mr. Te Roller asked if the Dominion operates any assay offices and Mr. Ogilvie replied in the negative. However, he province of British Columbia maintains an assay office of its own.

R. P. McLennan was of the opinion that the establishing of an assay office in Dawson would greatly assist the government in collecting royalty which he declared is not now paid on more than one-third of the gold mined. But of itself, unless authorized to buy gold, he said an assay office would be of no benefit. If the government handled gold it would put dust out of circulation as a medium of exchange and that is what is most needed today.

Mr. Fulda sounded the keynote to the situation in the following:

"What we want is the retirement of the gold dust," he said. "It is in the province of the council to accomplish this, because it is illegal to pass gold dust. Of course custom makes the law, and under it we have considered gold as a medium of exchange, but to be compelled to accept \$14 gold at a valuation of \$16, or to pass out \$17 gold at \$16, works a very great wrong to many people. I think the retirement of the gold dust the key to the situa-

tion. Let it be supplanted with currency."

It being evident that the matter of retiring gold dust as a medium of exchange was of much more moment than the real question of an assay office, there was considerable unanimity of expression on that subject, and until President Mizner called attention to the subject before the meeting.

Mr. H. T. Wills made a lengthy and concise talk on the proposition from a banker's standpoint in which he showed by figures that the total cost of conducting an assay office without a mint, of which there are none in the Dominion, would cost more than the miners are now paying to have their gold assayed or turned into money. Among many points made by Mr. Wills the following statement was submitted:

"No corporation anywhere will ever pay any more than the gold is worth, no matter how much black sand it may have or how pure it may be. As we have no mint an assay office for the purchase of gold is not necessary—it is simply going into trade, for the government will have to sell it in Seattle or San Francisco—and I want to tell you that gold in San Francisco is worth 1-8 of 1 per cent more than at Seattle. At neither place, however, is gold as valuable to Canada as it is in New York, because all large financial transactions are based on New York rates. While in the east I never heard a demand for a mint. Our Canadian banking and financial system has stood the test like a solid rock when banks all over the continent were failing. I say that if we start gold coinage in Canada it will interfere with our present financial system. Our gold will go to New York and be remitted there the same as sovereigns are now."

Further remarks were made by Messrs. Joslin, McGowan, Te Roller, McLennan, Macaulay, Timmins, Fulda, Condon and others.

The resolution above printed was introduced by Mr. Joslin to be substituted by that of Mr. McGowan which passed in an apathetic way which plainly said: "We, the Board of Trade, don't care a continental about a local assay office."

On motion of Mr. Macaulay, a special meeting of the full board will be held Saturday night at 8 o'clock for the purpose of discussing ways and means for retiring gold dust as a medium of local exchange.

New members were last night elected as follows: Geo. M. Allen, J. H. Rogers, T. W. O'Brien, Daniel Rose, S. H. Weisberg and C. M. Woodworth.

D. W. McREA RETURNS.

Inspected Timber Tract on Way Down River.

Mr. D. W. McRae, crown timber inspector, returned Saturday from a several months' trip to the outside.

He made the trip from Whitehorse to Dawson with a dog team inspecting the timber along the river.

"Dry wood," he says, "is getting very scarce and this winter there is cut and piled along the river between Dawson and Whitehorse 15,000 cords of green wood.

"There is a large number of men employed cutting wood but there is as yet no indication of there being an oversupply cut and the prices will in all probability be about the same as last year.

"Sawlog timber is getting very scarce along the Yukon, and they now have to go back into the smaller streams to get it. There are a number of the smaller streams where good timber is being found which was thought by everybody to be very unlikely places for finding it."

Mr. McRae brings the report of a new coal discovery at Montague, where Porter & Co., and L. W. Hall have several locations. They have found a four-foot vein and claim a better grade of coal than any yet located.

A fire was discovered in the roof of the Comet barber shop about 2:30 this afternoon. An alarm was turned in which was quickly responded to by the department, but before they arrived the fire had been extinguished by means of a few buckets of water.

For choice meats go to the Denver Market.

"A Texas Steer."

SHE HOLDS THE FORT

Mrs. McConnell Declines to Go to Barracks Today

NOTWITHSTANDING PRESSURE OF POLICE SQUAD

Which Retires for Council of War After Short but Interesting Skirmish.

Three Doctors and Police Matron on the Scene — Stage Was in Readiness but Not Needed—Large Crowd of Curious Spectators—Mrs. McConnell Under Arrest at Her Room in Charge of Matron — Further Developments Expected.

"The king of France with forty thousand men marched up the hill and then marched down again."

A squad of police marched down Second avenue this morning and then marched up again.

Mrs. Luella Day McConnell holds the fort and in the language of old John Falstaff can say without successful contradiction, "I will take mine ease in mine inn."

As was stated in the Daily Nugget yesterday a warrant was issued from police court for the arrest of Mrs. McConnell to compel her appearance in person or by counsel at that court to answer the charge of criminal libel preferred against her by four members of the Yukon council, Messrs. Senkler, Dugas, Ogilvie and Wood.

An attempt was made by Corporal F. F. McPhail who is in charge of the town police station, to serve the warrant at about 9:30 o'clock this morning and, owing to defendant's reported indisposition, a covered stage in which were numerous robes, was provided and on hand in front of defendant's home, the Melbourne hotel, to convey her to the barracks. The police matron, a kindly appearing woman, and police surgeon Dr. Hurdman, were passengers in the stage coach to render any attention that might be required in the short but eventful journey back to the barracks.

On first applying for admission to Mrs. McConnell's presence it was denied the corporal on the grounds, as stated, that she was sick, confined to her bed and unable to receive him. The corporal retired and telephoned an account of the situation to the commanding officer, Superintendent Primrose, at the barracks, who at once dispatched a squad of police under Capt. Scarth to the front. In the meantime Corporal McPhail had returned to the Melbourne, been admitted to Mrs. McConnell's presence and had executed the warrant which placed her under arrest. Shortly thereafter the detachment from the barracks arrived, and, being informed of the progress made, the police matron who had been sitting out in the stage, was called and requested to assist the defendant to dress. But the defendant not only declined the proffered assistance but also declined to make a movement towards dressing herself. On the contrary, she became hysterical, cried, laughed and shrieked alternately, and, like Rachel of old, refused to be comforted. Her physician, Dr. Catto, was present and strongly protested against the treatment being accorded his patient. Dr. Richardson was also present by request.

While the above scene was being enacted upstairs the street on two sides of the Melbourne was packed with people. From blocks away people could see the crowd and, thinking a fire was in progress, rushed to join the throng. Mary

crowded into the building and upstairs from whence they were summarily ordered down and out by Edward McConnell.

In the meantime the police were insisting that their charge get in readiness to proceed to the barracks, and she as persistently refused to do so. At length the three physicians, Drs. Hurdman, Richardson and Catto, having conferred together, talked quietly with Capt. Scarth who ordered his men to withdraw which order was at once obeyed although Mrs. McConnell is now in their charge, the police matron remaining with her.

When the police came down stairs and slowly retired as if for a council of war, and the driver of the stage coach, without sounding his horn, mounted his seat and drove away, the hundreds of curious people who lined the street dispersed with the knowledge that Mrs. McConnell, instead of recapitulating, still held the fort and that the end of the beginning of the libel suits had not yet come.

This afternoon at 2 o'clock Dr. Richardson appeared before Magistrate Starnes in the police court and made a statement as to the physical condition of Mrs. McConnell, and on his sworn statement the case was continued until such time as he (the physician) thinks the defendant able to appear. The police matron will remain with Mrs. McConnell until the case comes on for hearing.

Cold April Weather.
Sergeant Major Tucker's official thermometer showed the minimum temperature for the 24 hours previous to 9 o'clock this morning to have been 10 degrees below zero, the coldest weather since the 17th of last month.

Last year after March 13th the mercury never passed the zero mark on the downward direction except on the morning of April 7th when it showed half a degree below. Ten degrees below zero in April is said to be unprecedented in the history of the country.

Territorial Court.

The argument in the case of Belcher vs. McDonald, which was to have occurred this morning was postponed until Tuesday morning.

The morning sessions of the territorial courts will begin hereafter at 10 o'clock instead of 10:30.

Tomorrow being Good Friday and Monday being Easter Monday both of which are legal holidays, there will be no sittings of the courts.

A Texas Steer.

In response to a request made by a number of theater goers the Standard Stock Co. will next week present Hoyt's "A Texas Steer."

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THURSDAY, APRIL 4, 1901.

WHAT DOES DAWSON WANT?

A review of the proceedings of last night's meeting of the Board of Trade leads up naturally to the question, "What does Dawson want?" In the course of last evening's discussion it became evident that sentiment is very largely divided. There was apparently a demand for an assay office at which gold should be taken and currency given in exchange. Another opinion called for an assay office to act merely as a check upon the banks. An assay office for royalty collection found favor with some, while the question just missed going entirely by the board on a motion that Dawson wants no assay office at all.

The compromise finally effected, which is detailed elsewhere in this paper, is entirely harmless, for there is not one chance in ten thousand that an assay office will be placed in Dawson on the lines as therein proposed.

We are brought, therefore, to the query as indicated above, "What does Dawson want?"

It is evident from the discussion as brought forward last evening that an assay office if it is secured at all will be a thing of the distant future. It is further evident that a very strong divergence of opinion exists as to the advantages of such an institution, should the same be established.

As a matter of fact, what, in the opinion of this paper, is wanted, is some equitable means whereby gold dust may be withdrawn from circulation, and currency substituted therefor.

It was the hope of obtaining this result which led to the efforts made some time ago to secure an assay office for Dawson. It was the general belief then that an assay office, if established, would enable all holders of dust to convert the same into currency at actual value, less cost of reduction, etc., which it was presumed would be nominal.

If, as was claimed last evening, this object cannot be advantageously accomplished through an assay office, it appears to us that the Board of Trade, should seek some other means of reaching the desired end.

That there is anything satisfactory about the present method of effecting exchanges, we do not believe will be contended. As long as gold dust continues to be the recognized medium of exchange, all manner of opportunities present themselves to unscrupulous parties, to make use of that fact to their own advantage. The various means by which this is done are too well known to require discussion.

It is sufficient to say that under existing circumstances the legitimate tradesman, receives the worst of the bargain, and the miner not infrequently disposes of the product of his claim at less than he is entitled to receive.

If the Board of Trade can bring forward a solution to this problem, which will protect the merchant and miner alike, that organization will have accomplished something which will be of value to the community.

In the meanwhile with respect to the assay office, what is required is information.

That particular element was largely wanting in the discussion of last evening especially from the pro-assay standpoint. Facts and figures are strong arguments when placed against theories and generalities and in this respect it must be said that the gentlemen who are opposed to an assay office for Dawson had practically a clean field last night.

SHOULD BE RECOGNIZED.

The fact that Commissioner Ogilvie is about to retire from active participation in the administration of the affairs of the territory should be given due recognition. Mr. Ogilvie during two and one-half years in which he has acted as chief executive of the territory, has had a position of the utmost difficulty to fill.

He came into a community practically disorganized and in which an almost unanimous lack of confidence was felt so far as concerned the government or any thing pertaining to it. Mr. Ogilvie steps down from his position with a record of unimpeachable honesty and integrity and the knowledge that, owing in no small degree to his efforts, the Yukon territory is governed today by wise and just laws. The Nugget heartily endorses any project looking toward a proper recognition of Mr. Ogilvie's services.

Steel Combine is Growing.

New York, March 18.—J. P. Morgan & Co. today confirmed the report which was circulated here that all the interests of John D. Rockefeller in the iron business, including mines, railways and lake transportation lines, are to go into the United States Steel Corporation. These interests include the Lake Superior Consolidated Iron mines, which concern has a capital stock of \$50,000,000, of which \$29,887,448 is outstanding. It was incorporated under the laws of New Jersey in 1893 to acquire and operate iron mines in the Mesaba range, Minnesota. The company owns extensive properties in this region and leases some of its mines to the Carnegie Steel Company and other large steel manufacturers. It owns the Duluth, Mesaba & Northern Railway, extending from Duluth to Iron Mountain, Minn., and embracing about 130 miles of road.

The Lake Superior Consolidated Iron mine has no direct mortgage indebtedness of its own but the Duluth, Mesaba & Northern Railway has a bonded debt consisting of \$1,000,000 first mortgage 6 per cent bonds due in 1922; \$2,251,000 consolidated mortgage 6 per cent bonds due in 1922, and \$2,644,000 second mortgage 5 per cent bonds due in 1918.

It was reported in Wall street today that the capital stock of the new United States Steel Corporation will be increased by \$100,000,000; that this increase was made necessary by reason of the acquisition of the Rockefeller iron mines and properties in the Lake Superior district.

At the Telephone.

Miss Binks is at one end. Mr. Giddy-hoy at the other.

Miss Binks: How did you enjoy the party?—I don't get you.—O, yes, you didn't go.—You stayed home and went to bed early?—Yes, we're talking. What's that?—Wait till I shut the door; there's so much noise in the next room. Now, what did you say?—You had a dream about me?—How nice. Tell it, won't you? Yes, exchange, we're talking.—You dreamed you died and went to heaven. How funny! Go on.—Yes. You looked around awhile and then an angel came up.—Yes, I get that. An angel came up.—What did the angel do?—Led you to a staircase.—I thought they didn't need staircases up there. Haven't they all got wings?—Yes, exchange, we're talking.—The angel gave you a piece of chalk?—How funny!—The angel said: "Go up there to that blackboard and write thereon all your sins."—A little louder, please.—And as you were going up you met me coming down?—What's that?—I looked as natural as life? Go on.—Yes, exchange, we're talking.—What's that? You asked me where I was going? What did I say?—O, I said I was going back for more chalk?—Do I catch on?—What are you giggling about?—Is it a joke?—O, you horrid thing!—Yes, exchange, we're talking.—Goodby.
Rings off and tries to cipher out the point of the story. Gives it up.—Ex.

The Pacific Cold Storage Co. offers every facility for keeping frozen products.

Miss Clotilde Rogers, the old time favorite, has returned to the Savoy.

"A Texas Steer."

When will the ICE Go Out?

The Contest Closes April 28th, 10 p. m.

JUST FOR FUN
As you know we are having a little guessing contest. If you can tell nearest the time the ice will go out in front of Dawson we will give you
A Tailor Made Suit
A New Hat
A Pair of Shoes
A Fine Shirt
Two Collars
A Pair of Cuffs
A Necktie
It Costs Nothing to Guess.

The Alaska Traffic.

Increased Alaska traffic for the coming season is evidenced by the fact that several new vessels will be placed on the run in addition to those at present in operation. Among these will be the Pacific Coast's new liner, the Spokane, and what effect the fast service from the British Columbia city will have on the business through this city is a question of great interest.

It is claimed that the operation of four fast steamers from Victoria will overdo the business from the British Columbia side. At present the C. P. N. Co. is said to be making money on the Alaska trade, but it is said that to double the present service will be a losing proposition, financially, as the business does not warrant such a move. The marine men taking the above view of the situation feel convinced that the vessels are not to be placed on the Alaska run permanently; that the steamers, in fact, are destined for some other route, most likely the Hawaiian islands and the Philippines, from which points an immense business is expected to accrue with American rule.

In connection with the advent of the new steamers a great deal of interest has been aroused over the rumor that the headquarters of the C. P. N. Co., are to be removed from Victoria to Vancouver, where immediate connection can be made with the Canadian Pacific overland trains. This fact is said to be further evidence that the steamers will be put on the Hawaiian-Philippine-Vancouver run ultimately.—P. I.

Indians Dying Off.

Seattle, March 20.—That the Alaskan Indians as a race of reds are destined to early extinction is the belief of Lieutenant D. H. Jarvis, and there is perhaps no better authority on the native tribes of the North. Davis is in Seattle on his way to Alaska.

"It is no exaggeration to say that 25 per cent of the natives in the Nome and other sections of Alaska invaded by the whites last year died of disease and starvation," Lieutenant Jarvis remarked. "Of course, with such a death rate, and I see no hopes for a much better condition of affairs to obtain in the future, the Alaskan Indians will soon become practically extinct. The history of all inferior races is that they die out on the advent of the white man.

"One cannot but be interested in Esquimaux disposition. In the face of the disastrous results to them of the encroachments of the whites they have borne all with scarcely a murmur. There is a marked difference in this respect between the natives of Alaska and the Indians of the plains, who fought to hold every inch of ground taken from them.

"The Esquimaux were in a pitiable condition from hunger and disease as I saw them about Nome last summer. Whole families died. I remember of a case where seven out of a family of nine died, all within a few weeks. Some of our people at Nome did not stop to consider the condition of the natives. Esquimaux were often seen dying of hunger and within sight of the provisions of the whites. Still they did not beg or steal and made no attempt to take food. Esquimaux are proud. They tell of their trouble and sufferings only to such of the whites as they know to be sincerely their friends.

"Instances of the recklessness and disregard of the whites for the Aleuts can be cited. Last summer as the steamers lay at anchor in Dutch Harbor some of the passengers strolled over the hills back of the town. They built camp fires which proved most disastrous to the natives. The fires spread and burned the grass, and with it destroyed the berries, the birds' nests and the young foxes, all needful to the natives. These things, aside from fish, were their chief reliance for food."

The Winchell twins are making a big hit at the Savoy in "Belfry Chimes." Fresh eggs. Selman & Myers.

HOW ABOUT A HAT?

We have a particularly Fine Stock of Hats, all nobby shapes, and the latest outside styles. All the popular makers are represented in our stock. We will fit your head to one with the same care as we fit your form when you order from us a suit of clothes.

OPPOSITE WHITE PASS DOCK **HERSHBERG**

Interesting Incident.

The most interesting recent incident in the records of the American Society of Psychological Research is that of the face of a murdered man visibly seen by a friend 20 miles away. The story is related by Dr. Richard Hodgson of Boston, secretary of the society:

"Richard Pickering of Cleveland, O., on last November 12 was sitting before his fireplace in his home. He was thinking about an invention, when the face of his life-long friend, David Huren, appeared before him. He did not recognize it because of a difference in his friend's beard since he had last seen him, but he knew that it was a familiar face.

"All night he thought over the strange apparition, trying to fix the face and recall the name of the friend to whom it belonged. It had appeared to him several times, the first as the face of a living man and the last three or four times as the face of a dead man with the head drooping over to one side in death.

"It was not until the next morning that he learned of the murder of his old friend, and then he knew that his was the face he had seen at the exact time the murder took place.

"Mr. Pickering and the murdered man were friends for many years. They came to this country together from England when they were young men and worked together for a long time. After Mr. Huren moved from Cleveland to Willoughby he often went to Cleveland to visit his friend, and the attachment between them was very close. Mr. Pickering has lived in Cleveland for a number of years and is well known there. He is the inventor of a line of patent pressure regulators and reducing valves."

Mr. Pickering's letter in answer to one from Dr. Hodgson asking for a statement of the phenomenon is as follows:

"Yours of the 21st received with circular, etc. The newspaper account of

the appearance of the face of my murdered friend, David Huren, is correct, with the exception that the face was not seen in the fire.

"It was more realistic than that. The reporter might have been impressed with the idea that I had seen him that way, and it was also an easy way to illustrate the face with me in front of the fire.

"It faded away, and it came again. I had no light but the fire, and the dark space showed up the face as if it had been thrown on a screen by a magic lantern and was caused to appear and fade as by dissolving views, the face being lighted up with a glow. I was not startled at all, because in that mood or invention trance, as it might be called, I am alert for catching anything or form that presents itself or is given by the agency that helps invention. And as the face became more distinct my mind became more engrossed in the face, and the invention was obliterated."—Ex.

Forced to Leave.

Mobile, Ala, March 19.—The story of the burning of 60 negroes at a turpentine camp in Baldwin county, east out from Mobile on March 15, being wholly an invention and of possible damage to this part of the country, the Mobile Chamber of Commerce demanded the name of the inventor of the sensation from a newspaper in the North which had published the item. The paper gave the name of a Mobile newspaper man, adding that he was not a regular correspondent, and that he had been ordered never to send another line to the Northern paper.

The information obtained by the Chamber of Commerce was today laid before the Mobile newspaper employing the man in question, together with the chamber's condemnation of reports of such a character, and the writer of the turpentine camp fire story thereupon resigned from the paper with which he was connected.

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WHO ARE THIEVES AT NOME?

Factions Made Counter Charges at Late Election.

Saloon Men and Gamblers Carried the Day by Very Small Majority—Incorporation Scheme Lost.

San Francisco, March 18.—Nome City is still wide open and the gambling element is running things to suit itself. An election was held there in November, and according to a letter received here a few days ago the reform element was beaten by 32 votes. There was a miners' ticket and a citizens' ticket in the field. The former wanted to incorporate the town and the latter was bitterly opposed to it. The reform element thought it would easily carry the day and rested on its oars until almost the last day. Not so with the gamblers and saloonkeepers, however. They worked morning, noon and night, and in consequence many of the reform candidates were defeated on election day.

The miners' ticket was as follows: For councilmen—Capt. E. H. Hanson, Hank Summers, Capt. W. E. Geiger, George S. Newman, J. B. Miller, R. S. Ryan and J. H. Wright.

For school board—Miner Bruce, D. H. C. Wilkinson and Capt. Kidston.

The citizens' ticket was as follows: For councilmen—Hank Summers, David F. Lane, R. S. Ryan, Sam Heron, Charlie Hoxsie, Ed Dozier and Capt. W. B. Geiger.

For school board—Capt. Kidston, Miner Bruce and Dr. H. C. Wilkinson.

According to the letter which brought the news there are only about 4000 people, all told, wintering at Nome, and of these only 708 cast votes. Of these 36 votes were thrown out on account of irregularity. When everything had been straightened out the vote stood: For incorporation, 320; against incorporation, 352. Had the reform element won, Capt. E. H. Hanson, president of the Nome Chamber of Commerce, was to have been mayor, but now Hank Summers, in the employ of one of the big mining companies, will fill the coveted office.

There was a hot time on the beach for a week before election. Both sides flooded the various camps with dodgers, and the gamblers and saloon men gathered their followers from far and near. Here are a couple of samples of the dodgers got out by the opposing factions. This one was issued by the reform element:

Thieves.—Look out for the thieves and firebugs if incorporation does not carry. Remember this camp contains an element which cannot be held in check under present conditions. The military do not want to arrest men, because they have no available funds for the keep of prisoners. Vote for incorporation.

This one was issued by the citizens' committee:

Grafters.—Worse than thieves, because they work under the protection of the law. Property owners of Nome, do you know what they will do to you? There is money being spent to incorporate; they expect the money back a thousand-fold. Get to the polls early and vote against incorporation, or get ready to leave Nome while you have money enough to get out, for the grafters will tax you to the poorhouse before spring.

Still another reads:

Vote for incorporation. Why? We need fire protection; we need a hospital; we need good streets; we need recognition by congress. The companies are against incorporation. Why? They look out for themselves.

The letter containing the above information concludes as follows:

"The push, saloon men, gamblers, big mit boys and others gave the candidates the double cross and beat incorporation. So much the better for the town at next election. The soldiers are now shipping the push out of here.

London Papers Sued.

London, March 20.—The libel actions brought against the Star and Morning Leader by Arthur Chamberlain, brother of Joseph Chamberlain, in connection with war office contracts was begun today in the king's bench court before the lord chief justice, Lord Alverstone. The plaintiffs claim damages for serious attacks on their commercial integrity, including the statement that they have stooped to improper means in order to obtain contracts against the interests of the public service. The defendants pleaded that their articles did not libel the plaintiffs and were fair comment on matters of public interest.

The case of Arthur Chamberlain was first taken up. Sir Edward Clarke, former solicitor general in presenting Arthur Chamberlain's case, laid stress

upon the fact that a newspaper campaign was conducted against the government during the elections and asserted that the fundamental intention of the attack was to strike and bring discredit on Joseph Chamberlain, the suggestion being that the latter had exercised his influence to secure contracts for his brother.

CONTRACT AWARDED

For New Bank Building to Robert McCreeff.

The contract for the new Canadian Bank of Commerce building was yesterday awarded to Mr. Robert McCreeff at a price of \$21,356 exclusive of the vault.

The foundation of the building has already been started and the work will be rushed as rapidly as possible and there will be an effort made to have it ready for occupancy by the 1st of May, although it is not considered that it can be finished in that time.

As the corner where the building is to be erected is very much exposed to being damaged should the river reach a very high water mark a dike is being built around it for protection.

Stone for building the dike is being hauled from across the river and is now being placed in position. This will afford protection to the whole of that block upon which are situated several wharves and warehouses and which would be liable to suffer considerable damage in the event of high water this spring.

Moran Not Murdered.

Vancouver, B. C., March 18.—News from the north this evening includes the result of an investigation into the death of Harry Moran and Edward Foley at Cape Mudge. It was at first supposed that the two men might have been murdered by Indians, but there is now believed to be no doubt but that the men were drowned through the capsizing of their boat during a squall. The swift currents along the coast have probably disposed of the bodies so that it is unlikely they will ever be recovered. Moran, who was well connected in Chicago, had been at Nome, where it was supposed he had been very successful. It is now stated, however, that his Nome venture was unsuccessful.

Fresh cabbage at Meeker's.

Young veal at Denver Market.

COMING AND GOING.

The regular meeting of the Yukon council will be held tonight in the courthouse.

Mail for Dawson passed Stewart river at 6 o'clock this morning and is due to arrive at 7 o'clock tonight.

Dr. Brown the dentist returned this morning from a trip to the outside bringing his family with him.

Engineer Sproat who was chief on the Victorian last year, has been appointed to the position of chief of the railroad company's fleet, formerly the steamers of the C. D. Co.

The many friends and admirers of Actor Ed Lang will be pleased to learn that he will next week return to the Standard theater for the remainder of the season and will preside over the theatrical features of that popular emporium of amusement and entertainment.

The telephone company is now putting a wire up Hunker creek its entire length, which, by the way, will be a great convenience to the people there who heretofore have had no means of communicating with the city other than by letter, messenger or by making the trip in person.

Tomorrow Good Friday.

Tomorrow being Good Friday the postoffice will be open only from 11 until 1 o'clock. The same hours will be observed on Easter Monday. Tomorrow the telegraph office will be open only on the same hours as on Sundays. There will be no courts held tomorrow.

In a Village Sunday School.

A parson was one Sunday examining a Sunday school class in catechism, before the congregation. The usual question was put to the first girl, a strapper, who usually assisted her father, a publican, in waiting upon customers.

"What is your name?"

No reply.

"What is your name?" he repeated.

"None of your fun, Mr. Smith," said the girl. "You know my name well enough. Don't you say when you come to our house on a night, 'Bet, bring me some more ale!'"

The congregation, forgetting the sacredness of the place, were in a broad grin, and the parson looked daggers.

Oranges, Lemons. Selman & Myers.

We fit glasses. Pioneer drug store.

Choice loins at Denver Market.

Films of all kinds at Goetzman's.

"A Texas Steer."

CANADIAN FORESTRY

Branch to be Organized in Dawson.

An effort is being made to establish in Dawson a branch of the Canadian Forestry Association. This organization has a widespread membership throughout Canada and its objects is as its name indicates, the protection and preservation of the forests of the Dominion.

The following extracts from the constitution of the order will give all necessary information to those who may be interested in the subject:

The name of the association shall be the Canadian Forestry Association.

Its primary objects shall be:

To advocate and encourage judicious methods in dealing with our forests and woodlands.

To awaken public interest to the sad results attending the wholesale destruction of forests (as shown by the experience of older countries) in the deterioration of the climate, diminution of fertility, drying up of rivers and streams, etc., etc.

To consider and recommend the exploration, as far as practicable, of our public domain and its division into agricultural, timber and mineral lands with a view of directing immigration and the pursuits of our pioneers into channels best suited to advance their interests and the public welfare. With this accomplished a portion of the unappropriated lands of the country be permanently reserved for the growth of timber.

To encourage afforestation wherever advisable, and to promote forest tree planting, especially in the treeless areas of our Northwestern prairies, upon farm lands where the proportion of woodland is too low, upon highways, and in the parks of our villages, towns and cities.

To collect and disseminate for the benefit of the public, report and information bearing on the forestry problem in general and especially with respect both to the wooded and prairie districts of Canada, and to teach the rising generation the value of the forest with a view of enlisting their efforts in its preservation.

An Unfortunate Blunder.

Topeka, Kan., March 16.—A letter was received here last night from Mr. Choate, United States ambassador to England, in which the regrets of King Edward VII are expressed for the unfortunate wording of the message to the Kansas legislature alter the death of Queen Victoria. The legislature sent a letter of condolence to King Edward after the death of Queen Victoria and in his letter of acknowledgment the king expressed thanks for the loyalty of the Kansans. One of the legislators objected to the word "loyalty" and his motion to have the letter stricken from the records prevailed.

Mr. Choate's letter explains that the common noun was used in all letters of acknowledgment to persons in the British Dominions and by an oversight the wording was not changed in writing to the Kansas legislature. Mr. Choate writing to the executive committee says:

"I have learned that the king was much pained when made aware of the blunder."

Mr. Redmond's Protest.

London, March 18.—In the house of commons today, William Redmond, Irish Nationalist, gave notice that he would take an early opportunity of informing King Edward that he had no earthly right to use the title of defender of the faith. The argument came up on Mr. Redmond's question as to whether the title would appear on the new coins and, if so, what particular faith was meant. The chancellor of the exchequer, Sir Michael Hicks-Beach, replied that so long as the king's titles remained unaltered they would appear on the coins. Then Mr. Redmond protested and was called to order.

Frozen eggs 25c. Selman & Myers.

Fresh turkeys at the Denver Market.

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SHOES FOR THE HOUSE, STREET OR TRAIL.

J. P. McLENNAN

Wants to be Chaplain.

New York, March 20.—More than 500 applications for chaplaincies in the army have already been filed with the president according to a World special from Washington, which says:

The army reorganization bill provides for 23 additional chaplains. The pay and rank are fixed at that given a captain of infantry, together with the usual extras and allowances, of about \$2000 a year. While the position of post chaplain was abolished, each regiment of cavalry and infantry is to have a spiritual adviser and the artillery corps is to have 12.

Nearly every denomination is represented in the lists of applicants. Two dozen negro clergymen are among the number. The Roman Catholics are making especial efforts to secure additional recognition, as but four of the army chaplains are now of that faith. The Methodists hold the record, having 11 chaplains now. Mr. McKinley is a Methodist. It is expected the president will make a sort of pro-rata distribution of the new places among the various denominations.

Cecil Marion, the operatic prima donna, is still enjoying a big hit at the Savoy.

Best assortment of Klondike views at Goetzman's the photographer.

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