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DOUBLE LINE OF STAGES
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Leave Dawson, Office A. C. Co.'s Build-
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Returning, Leave Forks, Office, Op. Gold
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HEALTHFUL,
TOOTHsome
...MEATS
Game of All Kinds
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CHRISTMAS GREETING
We shall be glad to greet all our friends at the re-
opening of the Monte Carlo Saloon and Club Rooms on
Christmas Eve, Monday, December 24th, 1900.
TOM O'BRIEN
CHARLIE POWELL
A. H. MOGRIDGE

OUT O' SIGHT!
While you are taking in the town just glance in our window
and see the line of
...Ladies' Companions and Carving Sets...
we are selling for Xmas.
McLennan, McFeely & Co., Ltd.

TIME NOT RIPE

For the Incorporation of Dawson
Is the Opinion Ex-
pressed

BY MANY OF THE LEADING CITIZENS

Whose General Idea Is That the
Time Is Not Yet.

WHO WOULD FILL OFFICES?

Is a Question Which Every One Be-
lieves to be of Vital Importance in
Case of Incorporation.

In view of the action taken by the Yukon council last evening at its meeting, concerning the collection of taxes after a month unless some action is taken by the rate payers in the meantime looking to the incorporation of the city, the Nugget today publishes as many expressions of opinion from business men on the subject as limited time and space will permit. Capt. Olson of the Yukon telephone syndicate was the only one seen who gave it as his opinion that incorporation at the present time would be judicious, and as will be seen by what he says, that opinion is qualified.

"I am not in favor of incorporation unless we have entire control of our own affairs."

W. B. Bruce voiced the sentiments of many who did not care to be quoted, when he spoke as follows:

"Nothing would please me more than to see this city's affairs in the hands of a municipal council. But until I can learn to what extent we are to participate in its different local revenues, I could scarcely say whether or not it would be desirable. As you are aware the greater portion of our business men are Americans, many of them representing British capital, and who as I understand it, would not be allowed to vote, and in order to extend the franchise to them it would require an act of parliament. Without such men having the privilege of voting, would it be fair to them or their companies? No! The individual who owns real estate in this town up to a certain prescribed value—say \$2000—whether he be Jew or Gentile, should vote. Otherwise I ain of the opinion we would make a mistake in incorporating. Of course this is a casual opinion and until all conditions are set forth, I could, as I have already stated, scarcely

definitely say what to my mind would be best."

Mr. Fulda, of the A. E. Co. said: "At the present time I am not in favor of incorporation because I do not consider the time ripe. At present the city is in what might be termed a period of transition from the transient to the permanent, and none but the staunchest believers in a permanent future for the country care to invest heavily here. It is a large question and one to which I have given much thought in arriving at my present conclusion. At present you can say that I am not in favor of incorporation."

Mr. W. H. Parsons, of the Ames Mercantile Co., said:

"Of the two evils choose the least. I am not in favor of the incorporation of the city if the only alternative is to pay taxes."

Dr. Cook, of the Ladue Co., said that he had not thought of the matter sufficiently to warrant him in expressing an opinion, although he was in favor of calling a mass meeting to consider the matter.

Emil Stauf thought the present form of government was good enough and did not favor a change. He has full confidence in the council.

Mr. Mizner and Mr. Gandolfo could not be found, and Thos. O'Brien declined to be interviewed in view of other matters pending looking to a general expression of opinion.

Mr. Wills of the Bank of Commerce said that he could not express his views just now for the same reason.

The views of Mr. H. TeRoller, of the S. Y. T. Co., were expressed as follows:

"There comes a time in the history of most communities, and especially so when they have grown to the size of a town like this, that they should be incorporated."

Malcolm In From Scarth Whitehorse

Malcolm B. Scarth, brother to Capt. W. H. Scarth, of the police, recorder for the Clear Creek country, left this morning for that place after a three days business visit to the city. He will make a hurried run to Barlow and back, expecting to return in time to spend Christmas with his brother and friends in Dawson.

Recorder Scarth was seen at the officers' mess at the barracks this morning just as he was ready to start out, but in time to acquire from him considerable information regarding the Clear Creek country. He states that about 30 men are working on that creek this winter; that bedrock on the creek bottom has not yet been reached at any point, but that the men are satisfied with the pay they are taking out even by the primitive process of thawing the ground. Mr. Scarth says fire will be kept in a shaft for four or five days continuously and at the end of that time from four to six inches of thawed dirt will be put out on the dump. Even by this slow process, good wages are being made and this speaks volumes for the wealth and future of the creek. Business required that Mr. Scarth return today by way of the Yukon and Stewart rivers, but he says the route by way of Dominion is much more preferable. He came by way of Dominion coming out, traveling alone and without dogs, making the trip from Barlow to Cariboo, a distance of 54 miles between 9 o'clock in the morning and 11 the same night. He says the T. & E. Co. is taking its freight, provisions and whisky in by the Stewart and that they are having a very hard time; that one of their horses fell through the ice into a hole and that the driver skipped off to Stewart, but that later others came along, cut the harness from the horse and extricated him from the icy water.

Mr. Scarth advises all persons going from Dawson to that country to go by way of Dominion to avoid the hardships incident to a hard and difficult trail. Mufflers and silk handkerchiefs at Sargent & Pinska's. Meeker delivers fresh vegetables up creeks. For special designs in jewelry see Soggs & Vesco, Third st., opp. A. C.

"Whether the time is ripe for Dawson to assume self government is a question in the minds of many."

"To those who are confident of the future and have no doubt of this becoming a quartz, as well as placer, center, it seems quite clear that the time is favorable and that there can be no advantage in delay. On the other hand, the conservative element which is quite apt to be the more prominent and interested portion of the community, are probably fearful that it might be difficult to secure reliable and qualified officials who could afford to, and would be willing to give their time and attention and might consider it advisable to wait another year or few months and watch the developments, and thus be in a position to determine the probable resources of the country and likewise the possible life of the camp."

"While local conditions are not exactly what we might desire, and there being much room for improvement, yet we must not lose sight of the fact that after we have self government we are likely to meet with disappointments, and many will be no better satisfied and probably not as well as they are now."

"If this were an unorganized community and without any authority of any kind, I should unhesitatingly declare in favor of immediate incorporation but now I feel that we can afford to defer the matter for at least six months."

The cause of the hesitancy of so many to express an opinion is that last Sunday evening there was an informal meeting of business men at the residence of Mr. Wills at which it was decided that a committee chosen from among them should confer with the council in the matter, and until the result of the conference is known, few of those present care to speak.

Mr. John D. Taylor arrived from Whitehorse this morning with a load of oysters and fish. He left Whitehorse on the 1st, but stopped seven days at his camp, the Model roadhouse at Carmack's, making the trip in 15 days actual traveling time. He reports the trail in excellent condition, with the exception of about 20 miles between Capt. Whalen of the steamer Victoria's place and Patterson cut off, where the ice is as rough as could possibly be. He met Myers' stage just at the entrance to the rough road at Capt. Whalen's post and says while they will experience considerable difficulty he thinks they will be able to get through all right. The C. D. cut off at Five Fingers extends over such hilly ground and makes traveling so difficult that a new trail on the river is being projected and will meet the cut off again at a point about 12 miles farther up. Roadhouses are numerous and have good accommodation. Meals are \$1.50 and bunks \$1. Feed is plentiful all along the route and is selling between Dawson and Selwyn at 20 cents per pound, and from Selwyn to Whitehorse at 15 cents per pound. Mr. Taylor expects to start shortly after Christmas on a return trip.

Sargent & Pinska have the finest assortment of American neckwear for the holidays in Dawson.
Private dining rooms at The Holborn.
Cyrus Noble whisky, Rochester.
Christmas and New Year presents at Sargent & Pinska's.
Fresh carrots and turnips at Meekers'.
There will be a masked ball and supper at the Boulder house 33 below Bonanza on Christmas eve. Everybody is cordially invited.

STAMP OF POLITICS

Borne by Preamble Introduced
by Mr. Wilson Through
Justice Dugas

WHO SAID IT CONTAINED A SLUR.

The Mail Service Is to be Investigated by Council

IF REPORTS PROVE TRUE

The Contractors Will be Complained of to the Postmaster General by the Commissioners.

The meeting held by the Yukon council last evening was one of the most interesting and animated in the history of that body, although it was late before business commenced owing to the late arrival of Councilman Prudhomme. As usual the undertone was fully as interesting, more so from a political standpoint, than what appeared upon the surface of things, although matters of the most vital public concern were discussed freely.

The fact which started the council in the face the most brazenly of any, and will not be downed by any intimation of displeasure, and is fearless so far as the woodpile is concerned, is that of financial distress. The council is up against the real thing, to use a slang expression, and in consequence of this state of affairs the people who live in Dawson and have taxable property, were last evening served with a notice that they have one month in which to search the inwardness of their minds as to whether they will incorporate and pay taxes to themselves as a city, or whether they will pay taxes to the territorial government and have their expenses paid.

Justice Dugas and Gold Commissioner Senkler were in favor of allowing even a shorter time than this for the crystallization of public thought, but in view of the near approach of the holidays, the time was, as stated, placed at a month.

Demands for money are coming upon the council from all sides, and it is apparent that the finance committee is being pressed to meet these demands, and unless money comes from some source very soon the exchequer will be depleted.

An instance of this may be cited in the demands of the recently established public hospital at Whitehorse, which was promised by the council some time since, that upon the fact of its being a public hospital being demonstrated to the council, the latter would give \$600 towards its support. Last night the documentary evidence of the fact was laid before the council in a letter from the secretary of the hospital trustees, Mary E. Burde, and of course the money had to be sent, but when it came to the request of the same institution that \$1000 per month be voted by the council towards the support of the hospital, it was thought that the ordinance providing for government aid to such institutions covered only the two

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WHOLESALE A. M. CO. RETAIL

Smoking Jackets
Fancy Silk Vests, Dress Overcoats
Make very desirable Xmas Presents.
This store has the variety, style, quality; the prices here are always most pleasing.

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The Klondike Nugget

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LETTERS

And Small Packages can be sent to the Creeks by our carriers on the following days: Every Wednesday and Saturday to Eldorado, Bonanza, Hunker, Dominion, Gold Run, Sulphur, Quartz and Canyon.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 21, 1900.

PAYS TO BE HONEST.

A newspaper gains nothing by resort to such illegitimate methods as are pursued by the News. The story published by that paper respecting an alleged strike in the Tanana country which story was shown in last night's issue of the Nugget to have been made practically out of whole cloth, was on a par with the matter which appeared in the News' "mining edition" published last spring.

In that issue, an attempt was made to review the work of the preceding winter on the various creeks, the material for which was drawn as was the Tanana story from the imagination of the writer. In both instances a few additional papers were probably sold but the ultimate effect more than counter-balanced the temporary financial gain.

Even if the News is not possessed of any particular scruples respecting such matters, it would appear that our obtuse contemporary would sooner or later discover the fact that it ought to be honest for reasons of policy, if for no other.

OUR SPECIAL NUMBER.

On Monday the Nugget's special holiday number will be issued. It will contain 20 pages of the size of the regular paper and will be filled from cover to cover with interesting and valuable information respecting Dawson and the mining district of which it is the center. Notwithstanding the size and cost of production of the special number there will be no increase in the price. Twenty-five cents, the regular cost of the daily will be the price charged for the special issue whether purchased singly or by the hundred.

A feature of the special will be the story written by Chester Whitman Tennant in competition for the prize of \$50 offered by the Nugget. Other interesting features will be detailed descriptive articles relating to Dawson, and the Klondike mining district. In connection with the latter a fund of accurate statistical information will appear which has never before been published. The special number will also contain a digest of the important laws affecting the miner and prospector, particular attention having been given to the more recently enacted amendments to the mining regulations.

It will be handsomely illustrated with engravings designed and made by our own staff artists.

Altogether the Nugget holiday number will be the most accurate and complete presentation of actual prevailing conditions in the territory that has yet been given publication.

Dawson is face to face with the problem of incorporation. Last evening the council decided to allow one month for the people to make known definitely their desire for incorporation, failing which, collection of taxes by the council for local purposes will be enforced. The point which will decide the great majority of people in the town is the matter of expense. Will the tax rolls be heavier with Dawson governed by a regularly elected municipal council than under the present Yukon council.

A definite determination of that question will enable an intelligent opinion to be expressed in the matter. We do not know of any serious complaints against the present system of local government and unless it is demonstrated that a change will bring an improvement we favor the existing order of things. What we want is information.

We want to know the probable cost of conducting the municipality as compared with the present cost. We want to know over what local revenues the municipality would have control. We also desire to know what will be the qualifications of voters. With those questions answered it will be an easy matter to determine whether Dawson will be the gainer by becoming an incorporated town.

If it is a fact that the mail contractors are neglecting to forward mail consignments for the sake of accepting express matter for delivery in Dawson, the sooner that fact is ascertained the better. The reasons advanced by the agents of the contractors for failure of mail to come are not entirely satisfactory. It is doubtless a fact that the trail is not as yet in as good condition as it will be later on in the season, but we believe from all reports that it is in every respect equally as good right now as it was at the same time last winter. Everyone will remember the splendid service which was given then and it is quite pertinent to inquire why the same or better is not afforded at the present time. We are pleased to note the fact that the Yukon council has gone into the matter and trust that they will give it thorough investigation.

We never heard of any answer being received from that lengthy telegram which was sent in French and English to Mr. Sifton. We wonder if the minister overlooked it, or was the whole thing another creation of the News' lairy tale writer?

The opium fiend has been discovered in our midst. And yet there are people who still say that Dawson hasn't all modern improvements.

The News appeared last night in the role of champion of the demi-monde. At last the News has found its proper sphere.

STAMP OF POLITICS.

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local hospitals, and there would have to be delay before this could be done.

The feature of the evening came when Councilman Wilson got up and said he had a notice of motion which he wanted to present. He did so in a long preamble of which a synopsis is given because of its somewhat peculiar wording, that is, peculiar in view of recent developments, and the remarks it caused at the time:

The preamble dealt largely with a recent speech or speeches of Sir Wilfrid Laurier in which he was quoted many times on the subject of lack of adequate information from the Yukon territory, and in which frequent reference was made to the fact that an election was about to be held for the purpose of selecting two more members to represent the public on the Yukon council, and that after their entrance upon the business of that body more definite information could be expected concerning the needs as well as the desires of the people with regard to parliamentary representation, etc., etc., etc.

Both the party platforms were given at length, and altogether the notice of motion with all its whereases and explanations was a very long document, the following of which, owing to its statecraft and diplomatic clothing, required close attention.

When Mr. Wilson closed the reading of the matter, and the long type-written document had gone to the secretary, Justice Dugas said:

"I will not accept that preamble. It contains some slurs, and shows the work of a politician."

Mr. Wilson: "I am not here to try to run the council, and if the council does not like my words—all they have to do is to throw them out. So far as the views expressed are concerned they are my own."

Justice Dugas: "We are not here to discuss political platforms. That preamble was drawn by a politician and contains a slur. It is not that I object to the bringing up of the matter in

question, but I object to the wording of the preamble."

Mr. Senkler also objected, and Mr. Wilson wanted to know if he was to understand that his motion had been defeated.

Mr. Ogilvie voted against it, which left it defeated. The commissioner then poured oil upon the troubled waters by suggesting that the objectionable motion be withdrawn and replaced by one in which a committee would attend to the matter in question, and to this Mr. Wilson agreed, whereupon peace, the beautiful white winged dove which had so shortly before been threatened with annihilation by the hawk-beaked bird of war, once more presided over an harmonious meeting.

Considerable discussion was heard concerning the manner in which the mails are being handled.

Justice Dugas had been informed by gentlemen whose names he was not at liberty to disclose that the C. D. Co. was neglecting its mail contract for the purpose of carrying freight at the rate of \$2 per pound. It had been stated that there was some 47 sacks of mail at Whitehorse which had lain there during the past six weeks because of this abuse. He did not for a moment desire to be understood as condemning the company on these grounds, but, inasmuch as the mails were delayed more this year than last, and that such reports were common, he thought the matter one for investigation.

Councilmen Wilson and Prudhomme together with the Commissioner were made a committee to confer with the transportation companies with a view to securing better freight rates, and in the matter of the mails, it was decided that Commissioner Ogilvie as mail inspector should confer with Postmaster Hartman and others and communicate with the postmaster general; if investigation showed the matter well founded.

The question of street obstructions and street lotterers was discussed and referred to the proper committee.

The Salvation Army sent in a communication asking for aid for the shelter, and Justice Dugas and Mr. Senkler were chosen a committee to visit the shelter and look into the merits of the request.

Mr. Wilson wanted to know something about a report which he said had been published to the effect that Mr. Matheson had received \$100,000 from the council for work for which there had been no call for bids on.

No one else had seen the publication and on its being stated that the council had not had that much money to spend, the question drifted away into the realm of things forgotten.

In the matter of the privileges asked for by the A. E. Co. in operating a street car system, it was decided to ask Mr. Fulda to a conference for the purpose of discussing the matter. Mr. Prudhomme declared himself opposed to permitting the company to use the new bridge.

The council adjourned at 11 o'clock, and will not meet again till after the holidays.

Jesse Moore AA, Old Crow, Hermitage and Cyrus Noble by the bottle at the Pioneer.

Large Africana cigars at Rochester.

Seagram, '83, at Rochester Bar.

Short orders served right. The Holborn.

Rafael Cafe.

Frank Rafael has quit the ring and is now engaged in the peaceful occupation of caterer to the wants of the hungry public. He, together with H. Freeman, opens the Rafael Cafe tomorrow on the corner of Second avenue and Third street. Rafael is an old hand at the business and intends to make a reputation in Dawson as a boniface.

Silk mitts and gloves at Sargent & Pinska's.

Granulated fresh laid eggs at Meeker's.

FOR Christmas Presents

SEE

...HERSHBERG

Swell Haberdashery, Silk Underwear, Fancy Mufflers, Globes all kinds, Silk Socks, every high class article pertaining to Gents' Furnishings and Tailor Made Clothing

OPPOSITE C. D. CO.'S DOCK.

Funeral Notice.

The funeral of the late Alexander Godfrey will take place Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock from Masonic hall on Mission street and will be under the auspices of the Masonic Association. All Masons and friends are requested to attend.

DR. C. H. WELLS,
Chairman Association.
J. A. DONALD, Sec.

Candies for the Millions.

I have enough candies, nuts, and toys to supply the whole population of the Yukon country. My stock is complete. Plenty of Lowney's chocolate and Gunther's bon bons in any quantity; cigars by the box. Bring your friends and as I am a Missourian, I will show you the finest store in the Yukon territory.

GANDOLFO,
Third st., opp. A. C. C.

Six varieties fresh vegetables at Meeker's.

Notice.

Notice is hereby given that a list of all placer mining claims in the Yukon territory which were sold at public auction and which have not been taken up, is being prepared for publication at once, and after the first publication

thereof no grant will be issued, under such sale as aforesaid, for any claim so advertised. All purchasers are, therefore, notified to apply for their grants immediately.

(Signed) J. LANGLOIS BELL,
Assistant Gold Commissioner.
Dated at Dawson this 14 day of December, 1900.

Diamond mounting by Soggs & Vesco.
Films of all kinds at Goetzman's.

FULL LINE CHOICE BRANDS

Wines, Liquors & Cigars

CHISHOLM'S SALOON.

TOM CHISHOLM, Prop.

Fresh Stall Fed BEEF

All Kinds of Meats
Game in Season

Bay City Market

Chas. Bossuyt & Co.

THIRD STREET Near Second Ave.

The Last Stampede of 1900...

Is Now on

It started at daylight this morning headed by an old

SOUR DOUGH

who got a tip from the Nugget.

Where is the stampede to?

Why to the

N.A.T. & T. Co.'s

TOY

DEPARTMENT

Corner 1st Avenue and 7th Street

Opposite Fire Hall No. 1

Any little boy can show you the trail.

No Relocations

All New Claims

Get a move on you and secure your choice.

N. A. T. & T. CO.

WHERE DIVORCE COMES EASY

In New York There is a Regular Divorce Mill.

of the Greatest Swindling Schemes of Modern Times—Witness to Order.

It is a very, very cold day when some novel swindling scheme is not brought to light in New York city. The latest is a bogus divorce mill through which absolute divorces have been granted on the testimony of hired co-respondents, who knew nothing of the principals in the proceedings. The chief schemer of the gang of divorce swindlers is a lawyer named W. Waldo Maison. The grand jury has ordered commitments against him, his partner, Henry Zeimer, and Frank Wilson, a professional witness. Maison has not been found, but Zeimer and Wilson are in custody. The women who acted as professional co-respondents have not been indicted and it is probable will not be arrested, although they are guilty of the foulest kind of perjury. Their testimony has been willingly given and will be used to convict the chief conspirators.

The methods of the gang, while novel, were simple. Through advertisements and solicitations people who wished to become loosened from the bonds of wedlock went to their office and stated their cases. The conspirators were shrewd enough, usually, to judge whether or not the suits of their clients would be contested. If they thought not they were anxious to take the cases and guarantee divorces providing the requisite fees were in sight. If contests seemed probable they would not guarantee divorces, but would take the cases on the same conditions as any legitimate lawyers would. In the former cases they would present their petitions to a judge and request that referees be appointed to hear the testimony so as to avoid publicity and embarrassment to the parties interested. Then before the referees the bogus, or professional, witnesses would appear and swear to whatever their employers wished them. The reports of the referees would go before judges, who, finding everything regular, would sign the decrees of absolute divorce. It is not known how long this business has been carried on, or how long it would have continued had not a stenographer recognized a co-respondent in a recent case as the same woman who appeared in a case a short time before. His suspicions were aroused and he communicated them to the district attorney's office. An investigation revealed the whole scheme. An examination of the offices of the conspirators revealed documents which show that thousands of cases have been handled during the past three years and that money had poured into them in a steady stream. As high as \$250 has been paid for a decree in some cases.

The interesting question now arises if there are not a number of innocent victims of the bogus divorce mill who may have married again and are therefore guilty of bigamy. It is also believed that the schemers are guilty of forgery as well as of conspiracy and injury. This belief grows out of the fact that in a number of instances referees have refused to make reports, either because their fees were not paid or because they were not satisfied with the evidence. The parties in these cases seem, it is stated, to have received decrees. Further investigation will no doubt bring out many interesting features and it is believed that many more indictments will be ordered. It is also intimated that other lawyers in the city have been guilty of similar practices.—Ex.

Returned His Money.
Leigh Hunt, formerly of Seattle, is an American millionaire who owns more gold mines and hydraulic concessions from the government of Corea than all of the other foreigners in that country put together. He is not yet 45 and is reputed to be worth \$20,000,000, acquired chiefly through lucky investments in the Orient. Five years in Corea, most of the time living in simple style among the natives, have made an eccentric out of him. He recently arrived in this country from the Orient and evidently left there with the idea of making up for his past lack of holidays.

On the second day out he was unwillingly drawn into a poker game on the steamer. The limit soon touched the ceiling and Hunt and Baron de St. Laurent, the Belgian vice consul at Shanghai, who was on his way home

on official business, were soon the only ones who could stand the pressure.

The men gambled with huge jackpots until early in the morning, by which time the Belgian diplomat had parted with all of his loose cash and 10 U. S. aggregating \$3500. International complications were matters of a misty past when the baron tremblingly listened to Hunt's next suggestion.

"I don't want to keep your money," said the American cheerfully. "Let's shake dice and you can win it all back by doubling every time you shake."

By this time the two formed the center of excitement for all the passengers on board the ship. Fifteen minutes later the \$3500 had increased something over \$12,000, and then the baron broke down and wept.

"I wouldn't take your money," said Hunt. "You can't play poker nor shake dice, anyhow, and I'll let you off on one condition."

Five minutes later Capt. Pybus before the 200 passengers took the solemn oath of Baron de St. Laurent over a Bible that he would never play cards again.

This was the most wildly eccentric act of the American on his sensational trip.

COMING AND GOING.

A special member of the fire department is to be appointed to inspect flues.

The council has received a communication from Fred Blundell, an indigent who wants to be assisted financially in reaching the outside, because he has been looking for work here for the past three years without having found it. Whether it is his success or the lack of it, which is the most surprising is a question in the minds of many.

Residents of South Dawson want a street lamp placed near the Eldorado bottling works.

The scheme of Grand Forks citizens for fire protection by means of a 50,000 gallon water tank on the hill back of town, has been rejected by the council.

Sam Bonfield is making preparations to do the grand with a number of his intimates on Christmas day.

The Yukon council committees have been re-organized so as to place the two new members on them.

The Salvation Army bases its plea to the Yukon council for financial aid for the "sheiter" on the ground that if it did not feed those destitute who daily apply for meals, that the government would have to.

The law library here is to be increased by the "Reports of Ontario." The books are to be purchased in part from Justice Craig and from Attorney Ridley, at catalogue prices. The books will cost upwards of \$1000.

Mr. Cameron who applied for the privilege of erecting a slaughter-house on the ridge above town some time since has had his petition denied, unless he puts it in different form and locates the building farther away.

Must Be Something Wrong.

There are a number of homely old sayings around which cling a strong aroma of truth. For instance: "Where there is much smoke, there is usually some fire," and "Where de rooster scratch, dar is de w'm found," etc. Just at the present time there appears to be a unanimous kick about the mail service between Dawson and Whitehorse. First, every individual patron of the postoffice got in and howled; then organizations took it up. The Liberal Club discussed it and appointed a committee of investigation; the Board of Trade held a meeting and passed some pointed resolutions along the same line, and last night the Yukon council got in and basted the mail carriers up one side and down the other. Thus is the mail company getting it from every direction with two or three dancing clubs and the Salvation Army yet to hear from.

From all of which it appears that if the mail carriers desire to square themselves, and give evidence of, in a measure, earning the \$4,000 annually pulled down for the work or alleged work, the service will be improved from now on. Otherwise, it is hard to predict just what will happen by the time all the unreported organizations register their expostulations against the present service.

Xmas at the Pioneer drug store. You know what that means.

Outfitting at Meeker's.

Lindemann the jeweler has removed to Monte Carlo building.

The Criterion Hotel.
The Criterion hotel has been remodelled and is now to be run on the family hotel plan, where, with finely appointed rooms and an excellent dining room service the patrons of the house can be entertained. Manager J. H. Weiter has reduced the price of rooms and will make every effort to have a first-class family hotel in every respect.

A Christmas present stamped J. L. Sale & Co., will assure the recipient of its value.

Any kind of wine \$5 per bottle at the Regina Club hotel.

Flashlight powder at Goetzman's.

Xmas cigars by the box. Finest domestic and imported. The Pioneer.

POLICE COURT NEWS.

In Magistrate McDonnell's court yesterday afternoon further evidence was heard in the case in which B. F. Germain was charged with having misappropriated \$50 entrusted to him by Chas. A. Wickerdahl, with the result that Germain was held over to the territorial court, his bondsmen being himself in the sum of \$1000, and Messrs. Te Roller and McDougal in the sum of \$500 each.

This morning Night Watchman W. J. Graham swore out warrants for the arrest of Albert Booth and Freeman Anderson on the charge of assault. As Graham says the two men have threatened to "fix" him they will likely be required to give peace bonds.

Amie St. Germain who formerly conducted a cigar store near the Klondike bridge, but who lately moved to Third street south, will be up this afternoon on a charge of conducting a house of prostitution, the charge being preferred by her new neighbors.

A Methodist Calculation.

A man in Dawson who is possessed of a lead pencil and a mathematical turn of mind, announces that the mild weather which has continuously prevailed for the past 12 days, has been the means of saving to the people of Dawson fully 200 cords of wood which would have been required for fuel had the weather continued as it was previous to the present mild spell. Should it so happen that there will be no more cold weather this year, the calculator asserts that fully one-third of the wood provided for winter will be still on hand when summer comes.

Fine Holiday Display of Meats.

Tomorrow and throughout the holiday season, we will have on exhibition one of the finest displays of meats ever shown in the Yukon, consisting of all kinds of domestic meats, poultry and fish, also moose, caribou, Rocky mountain sheep, grouse, ptarmigan, rabbits, etc. The beef is our special pride, being all 3 year-old steers, Missouri corn fed and shipped direct from Kansas City by Miller and Zeo, late this fall and slaughtered here, and is without question the finest beef ever shipped to Dawson.

Among our specialties will be fancy roasts from this beef put up in every style known to the art of meat cutting; also fancy saddles of mutton, English and American styles; saddles of caribou and other features too numerous to mention. The whole will be handsomely decorated in an artistic manner and will compare favorably with the Xmas meat displays seen in the large cities of the States and Canada. A visit will convince the most skeptical that Dawson is not behind the times in the meat line, especially in the south. Call and see. Complimentary tickets at the door for all. Yours for a Merry Xmas, HALEY BROS., Peoples' Market, Third st. south, next door to Avery's corner.

Any person who went to Seattle on steamer City of Seattle that arrived about July 4th will confer a favor by seeing. A. D. WILLIAMS.

We fit glasses, Pioneer drug store.

Case goods all descriptions for the holidays at the Pioneer.

Goetzman makes the crack photos of dog teams.

Elegantly furnished rooms with electric lights at the Regina Club hotel.

Hay and oats at Meeker's.

LOST AND FOUND

FOUND—A Bitch, part St. Bernard, reddish brown, seat on nose, badly used up. French & Carroll. c21

LOST—A Black Pocket Book, Tuesday, 18th, between Fairview Hotel and Old Post Office, containing papers and money. A reward will be given if returned to Mrs. Blake, Fairview Hotel. c21

LOST—Brown Pup, two months old, white feet and tail. Return to Bay City Market.

PROFESSIONAL CARDS

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CLARK, WILSON & STACPOOLE—Barristers, Attorneys, Notaries, Conveyancers, etc. Office Monte Carlo Building, First Avenue, Dawson, Y. T.

BURRITT & McKAY—Advocates, Solicitors, Notaries, etc.; Commissioners for Ontario and British Columbia. Aurora No. 2 Building, Front street, Dawson.

MACKINNON & NOEL, Advocates, Second st., near Bank of B. N. A.

HENRY BLECKER FERNAND DE JOURNAL BLECKER & DE JOURNAL Attorneys at Law. Offices—Second street, in the Joslyn Building. Residence—Third avenue, opp. Metropole hotel Dawson.

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MERRY XMAS EXERCISES

Observed by St. Mary's and Mission Street Schools.

Interesting Literary and Musical Programs Rendered—There Will Be No School Next Week.

This has been a great day to the school children in Dawson, as owing to its being Friday preceding Christmas week, the usual Christmas exercises were held today, and they are exercises that many children in more favored quarters of the world would be indeed fortunate were they able to attend, see, hear and participate in. Christmas this year has as many pleasures for the child in the Klondike as for the back east cousin and, on the whole, the Klondike child, from the standpoint of plenty and good cheer, has probably the best of it.

As the exercises of the public schools on Mission street are in progress as this paper goes to press it is not possible to give the program as it will be presented. It is known, however, that extensive preparations have been made by both the teachers and pupils and that a program which it would be a treat to hear, comprising music and recitations, has been arranged and that the first Christmas in the public school history of Dawson will be observed in a way that will reflect credit and honor on teachers and pupils alike.

At St. Mary's school the exercises were held this forenoon, beginning at 11 o'clock. In addition to a number of the patrons of the school others were present including Commissioner Ogilvie, Mr. Justice Dugas, Fathers Gendreau and Liebert and the Sister Superior.

The following program was rendered, each participant performing her or his respective part without a moment's delay or a single hitch:

Welcome song by the school.
Address of welcome, Lena White.
Minie's Christmas sermon, Secundo Russo.
Song—"Christmas Greeting," school.

Recitation—"Golden Keys," primary class.

Song—"Christmas Bells," school.
Address by Miss Rachel Dunham.
Recitations of reading, arithmetic and other classes.

Duet—"Yo's Money Ain't No Good," Irene and Clara Wilson.

After this came the distribution of presents from two heavily laden and beautifully decorated Christmas trees, the packages being taken off by the teacher, Sister Mary Edith, who, passing it to Gov Ogilvie would call the name for whom it was intended, the recipient going forward and taking the gifts from the governor's hands. Each child was presented with a large bag of sweets and toys, books, etc., suitable to their years. The presents were supplied by Mr. Ogilvie and apportioned by the teacher.

When each desk was covered with presents, Commissioner Ogilvie made a short but eminently appropriate address in which he spoke of the difficulties that have been so successfully overcome in the way of establishing schools in the Klondike, and complimented the school on its pleasant quarters, and never-tiring and painstaking little teacher.

As by this time the noon hour had arrived, those present were deprived of hearing remarks from Judge Dugas and others who could not take the time to remain. Father Gendreau spoke briefly to the children and with much haste on the part of the little ones, goodbys were said and the vacation of Sister Mary's little school duly began and

will continue until Wednesday, January 2.

To say that Father Gendreau and the Sisters are proud of their school is but mild. With his own money the former erected and furnished the building and school was conducted by the Sisters right along regardless of the fact that no public support was accorded to it. This year, however, the school receives the benefit of a neat appropriation of public money, and no institution in the Yukon is more deserving.

The teacher, Sister Mary Edith, is most happily suited to her work, being of the stamp that are born to it. Loving, patient and painstaking, her management of the school is perfect and the advancement made by her pupils wonderful. Fifty-five children are enrolled at this school.

All the schools will have holidays next week.

A Handsome Gift.

Sargent & Pinsky today presented to the staff of the Nugget with some very prettily designed pens made from mother of pearl and rolled gold. These pens are given away by the concern during the holidays to all ladies purchasing any article at that store, at least that is the intention, but the probabilities are that any patron can get one of these pretty souvenirs by asking for it.

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