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CAPE DUTCH WILL RISE

So Say the Big London Newspapers.

COMMENT ON GATACRE'S DEFEAT

It Resulted From Operations in a Disaffected Country.

The Result Will Be Most Deplorable, as the Wavering Element May Turn in Favor of the Boers.

London, Dec. 21.—Discussing the defeat of Gen. Gatacre at Stormberg, the Daily Mail says:

"Quite apart from the loss of six hundred fighting men, the unexpected Boer success will probably cause a more general and serious movement among the Cape Dutch. The government must promptly face this by the immediate dispatch of further troops."

The Daily News says: "The reverse Gen. Gatacre has suffered is a sadly emphatic commentary on the peculiar difficulty of military operations in a semi-disaffected country. The enemy's spies are everywhere, and nowhere can we rely confidently on any counter information. Gen. Gatacre seems to have been completely trapped. Of course he will be immediately reinforced."

The Daily Chronicle says "There is too much reason to fear that this is the worst illustration we have had of inadequate equipment and insufficient scouting. How far this disaster was due to a lack of judgment on the spot and how far to a lack of artillery, is not quite clear, but the patient public cannot help recalling that Gen. Methuen's victory at Modder river was won by an artillery reinforcement at the critical moment and all they would like to know is how many times this particular lesson is to be learned."

The Standard says "The event is in the highest degree deplorable. It will tell against us unfavorably in the Free State among the Dutch and even amongst the natives. A great deal of evidence has been accumulating during the past week to show how deeply the colony, or at least the northern and western portions are honeycombed by disaffection. Our generals have to cope with a rebel colony, as with hostile republics, and must take measures to lay their plans in accordance with details."

The Times, commenting editorially, on the repulse says: "The results of the Gatacre disaster are more likely to be serious politically than from a military point of view."

BOER TACTICS.

New York, Dec. 24.—The British soldiery in South Africa are experiencing new sensations in fighting the Boers, says the London correspondent of the New York Tribune in today's issue, as the tactics of the enemy are new to them.

For a generation back the armies of England have been meeting in battle great masses of savages or semi-civilized foes, and it has unfitted them for

batting with the Boers, who do not mass their forces and cannot be rushed.

The situation in lower Natal offers a striking contrast to all the conditions of warfare to which the English people are accustomed. The Dutch allies after investing Ladysmith, have turned about to deal with the British relief column piecemeal. By dividing their forces into mobile bands, they are isolating one British detachment after another without making a decisive attack at any point, or concentrating their forces for supreme effort.

This is varied by such diversions as horse stealing, cattle raiding and looting on a large scale.

"John Bull" is naturally irritated by these irregular tactics, but he ought not to be amazed by them, for Gen. Joubert, during the war of independence, dealt in precisely the same way with one British detachment after another, and prevented a junction of the various commands. He then had the immense advantage of superiority of numbers, but conditions are now reversed, for the British force in lower Natal will number ten thousand certainly, and possibly twenty thousand, when the last transport reaches Durban, with Gen. White's garrison of 13,000 troops, still unharmed, in reserve. Moreover, Joubert, while blocking the advance of the relief column by separating the various links in the chain, is scattering his own forces without obtaining any marked advantage.

LIBERALS LICKED.

Ottawa, Jan. 1.—Hon. Geo. E. Foster, ex minister of finance, says: "In the Manitoba campaign which resulted in an overwhelming defeat for the Liberal party, federal issues have played a most important part. The Dominion immigration and Yukon policy were especially brought into notice as strong points against the Liberal party. I have no doubt that when the federal elections occur there will be no change in the result so far as Manitoba is concerned. I have no doubt," continued Mr. Foster, "that Sifton's conduct as minister of the interior resulted unfavorably to the party in Manitoba."

VESSEL WRECKED

Toronto, Jan. 1.—During a severe storm on Lake Erie, for several days, the steamer Niagara of Toronto, was lost. The steamer carried a crew of 16 men, all of whom went to the bottom with the ill-fated craft. The storm is one of the worst that has taken place on Lake Erie in many years.

NATIVES RISING.

London, Jan. 1.—A report has been received here that the natives in Bechuanaland have risen against the Boers. The Basutos will probably follow their example.

Police Court.

There were no cases up for hearing in Major Perry's court this morning, which fact would indicate that nobody was too drunk last night to care for himself, or herself, as the case might be.

The case of Madame Kluge vs. Wymen for \$7.50 for sewing, as mentioned in yesterday's paper, was settled out of court Wymen having paid the bill.

Theodore Beckard was before the court with a grievance against Lester McNeal, in which a ton or more of cariboo meat which is up the Klondike river over 100 miles figures. But as Beckard did not appear to know just what he wanted, the court advised him to go out and make up his mind.

W. H. McDonald instituted suit against Packer W. E. Terrill for \$165 alleged to be due as wages.

A man by the name of McCaskell was on hand with the request that he be allowed enough money from the crown

treasury to bear the expense of his trip to the outside where, he said, he could secure employment. Major Perry referred the request, which was in writing, to Governor Ogilvie. McCaskell came from Skagway to Dawson early in November and has not since been able to secure employment. He has recently been sick and is quite anxious to start on the long trip over the ice.

Superior Court.

In Judge Dugas' court yesterday the case of Kleinschmidt vs. the N. A. T. & T. Co. for money, was dismissed.

The attention of the court this forenoon was occupied in the hearing of motions regarding cases pending.

New Automobile Engine.

The fire commissioners held an important meeting Tuesday evening. Only routine work was to be taken up, but the late fire brought the commissioners to a discussion on what is needed to prevent and fight fires, and as a result Dawson will see no more of the large conflagrations which have brought disaster to its inhabitants so often. Mr. Ogilvie, chairman of the fire commissioners, was called upon by a representative of this paper and he gives a most encouraging report for the future protection of Dawson.

"The fire commissioners at their last meeting," said M. Ogilvie, "decided to secure more apparatus and equipment. We have entered into correspondence with several fire engine manufacturers for the purpose of receiving an automobile fire engine with the combined capacity of both of the engines which we have now. The new engine will be able to propel itself, doing away with horses, which will in one season more than pay the extra cost of an automobile. In winter time it can easily and with dispatch be run to the immediate front of a fire, which will be in itself of great importance in the saving of hose and high pressure. I am a firm believer in larger hose, about three and a half inches in diameter, being I consider more valuable in this cold climate. During the late fire the ice formed on the inside of the hose to a half inch thickness, and a little more than that at the coupling, cutting the stream down a great deal. In a larger hose, as I have suggested, it will not freeze more than a half inch, so you see it will still be throwing a large stream."

"We will enact any laws which we think necessary to prevent, and use every means obtainable to fight fires. The fire company at the Forks has asked for one of the small chemical engines, which we will loan them, and when our new truck arrives we will loan them the one we are using at present. The new apparatus will be ordered as soon as possible that it may arrive at the opening of navigation. I think from now on we can solve the vexed problem of fire protection."

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LARGE LOSS OF REVENUE.

Results to the Government From Pernicious Legislation.

The Law Withdrawing Abandoned Claims From Relocation Is a Boomerang.

The effect of the recent law withdrawing from relocation claims which have been abandoned by the original locators is becoming patent to the resident government officials. They are aware of the pernicious result of this latest blunder in the management of Yukon affairs. None of the territorial officers are disposed to commit themselves as actively opposed to the measure; but nevertheless they are cognizant of the detrimental effect which the country is now experiencing.

The provisions of the law became operative on the 8th day of last December. It has resulted in compelling energetic men to live a life of idleness; it is the cause of urging countless numbers to try their fortunes on the Alaskan shore at Nome.

Perhaps the powers at Ottawa will be induced to repeal this piece of legislation the effect of which is as baneful to the government as it is to the miners.

Loss of revenue will attract the attention of Minister Sifton and his associates more quickly than petitions and memorials. The government has lost heavily on account of the passage of this law. The loss is greater than most people imagine or than Ottawa authorities yet realize. The regulation has been in force only a month and a half yet the treasury, during the past 45 days, has been deprived of an amount exceeding \$13,000. Let Mr. Sifton and his advisers peruse the reports of the recorder for the month of December and January to date, and compare them with those for the same period of a year ago.

From the 8th of December, 1898, to January 18th, 1899, the local office issued 469 mining licenses, which aggregated in revenue the amount of \$4090. During the same time, 760 placer claims were recorded, the fee for each of which was \$15; this source of revenue amounted to \$11,400. The total sum derived from licenses and recording fees during that period was \$16,990. Now compare these figures with those for the time since the 8th of last December. From December 8th, 1899, to January 18th, 1900, there were issued 269 mining licenses, which amount to \$2900; and during the same space of time only 65 placer mines were recorded from which the government derived \$975. The total sum obtained from licenses and recording fees is \$3935. The difference in the revenues accruing to government equals \$12,155.

The loss of this vast sum of money is directly attributable to the law withdrawing from relocation those claims

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NOTICE.

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SIFTON DOOMED.

There is a distinct gleam of hope for the Yukon territory in the result of the Manitoba elections. An effort has been made to give the public the impression that the political battle in Manitoba turned almost entirely on local issues and will have no bearing on the approaching general elections.

Arrival of more particular details indicate exactly the reverse. Sifton's policy not only toward the Yukon, but with reference to other equally important matters was on trial in Manitoba and met with a most stinging rebuke. The fine Italian hand of the minister of the interior has been recognized in every important legislative enactment affecting the western part of Canada that has been proposed in parliament since the Liberal party was returned to power.

Railway deals, notoriously the McKenzie-Mann fiasco, and other corporation schemes have been backed by Sifton until his peculiar methods have been heralded abroad over the length and breadth of the Dominion. The defeat of his party in his own town and province indicate a distinct shortening of his lease of life as a member of the federal government.

BAD ADVICE.

A Skagway paper in a moment of indignation recommends to the citizens of Alaska the formation of an Alaskan republic. Recognition at the hands of congress of the claims of Alaska for broader legislation has been so long denied that it is scarcely to be wondered at that a feeling of resentment has been engendered which will require many years to completely assuage. Congress never has awakened to a realization of the value of Alaska or its possibilities from a commercial standpoint.

Nevertheless such revolutionary language as our Skagway contemporary indulges in is altogether wrong and entirely opposed to the opinions of Alaskan Americans generally.

Alaska is a tremendously big country. Its population, exceedingly small to begin with, is scattered over such an extent of territory that the assembly of any kind of legislative body representing the country as a whole is simply impossible.

Our fiery contemporary would accomplish better results for Alaska and Alaskans if it confined itself to recommendations to the Washington government for better laws for the big territory.

SECOND CLASS MATTER.

The Board of Trade has determined to take up the matter of securing the transmission of second class mail matter from the United States, upon which first-class postage has been paid. Whether or not the Board will be able to secure

this concession during the present winter remains yet to be seen. At any rate the end desired is well worth the effort involved, and even if results do not ensue until next winter the labor will not have been in vain.

It has been suggested to the Daily Nugget and we regard the suggestion as being a wise one that the Board should endeavor to secure the co-operation of similar bodies in Seattle and San Francisco.

The Chamber of Commerce of both cities are most enterprising and progressive bodies of men and if their influence is secured it would doubtless carry weight with the postal authorities at Washington.

The Canadian newspapers upon which first-class postage has been paid come through to Dawson without question and there should be no reason why the same is not true of American newspapers.

The suggestion with reference to co-operating with the coast organizations is commended to the committee of our local board having the matter in charge as being well worthy their most earnest consideration.

Before the placer mines adjacent to Dawson have been one half exhausted development of our quartz resources will be in full blast beyond any question or doubt. The interview recently published in the Daily Nugget with the recorder indicates an activity in quartz mining wholly unexpected by most people in Dawson. A record of more than 1100 quartz claims already recorded would certainly indicate that the country is not wholly devoid of gold and other mineral bearing rock. As a matter of fact there is quartz and quartz in abundance waiting the time when freight rates and prices of commodities get down to where a vein of moderate richness can be worked at a margin of profit. When that time comes, the era of quartz mining in the Yukon country may be said, to have arrived. The approach of the railroad which is now advertised to be completed to Whitehorse by June of next year brings that era closer every day. When goods can be brought into Dawson with only one handling after leaving Skagway, a substantial drop in freight rates is bound to ensue with a resultant lowering in the prices of commodities to the consumer in Dawson. Within two years at the farthest it may be expected that immense quartz plants will be in full operation at various points on the river.

Despite the efforts of Liberal politicians to belittle its importance the Yukon question will figure prominently in this approaching election. Like Bancho's ghost the Yukon question refuses to down. It has occupied a very considerable amount of parliament's attention and will be heard very strongly discussed from the political platform. There will be a Yukon question as long as there are Yukon wrongs to be righted.

Every night sees an increase in the number of copies of the Daily Nugget sold on the streets and delivered to the business houses and residences of Dawson. These are straws that indicate the direction in which the wind is blowing. The Daily Nugget has taken with the people of Dawson in no unmistakable manner.

Are you planning any improvements in the building line? Place orders for lumber with the Nugget Express. Office, Boyle's wharf.

WHYS AND OBSERVATIONS.

Why do people going to the outside start (?) every day for two weeks before they actually get away?

Will some gentleman with a long head—a gentleman that can explain mysteries—please stand up and state the object the Canadian government had in locating its telegraph office out in the "rhubarbs" and so far away from all the business of the city?

Will the ice pyramids of slops and other trash which now stand around in the city like silent sentinels, all be removed before the flowers bloom in the spring, or will they be allowed to ooze away and sink into the bowels of terra?

A Dawson man found a bedbug in his watch and said it got in between the ticks. Age, 104 years.

Will any additional streets be planked next summer?

If Dawson ever gets a good and efficient water system, that will be one thing that won't be taken to Nome.

The first man to reach Dawson in the spring with eggs recently harvested will have things his own way.

What excuse will the town of Bennett have for remaining on the map after the W. P. & Y. Ry. is extended to Whitehorse?

Aside from Dawson and Skagway, would any other city on the surface of the mundane sphere allow a man to keep a corral in one of its most thickly settled resident portions and fill it with hungry, howling, shrieking dogs which all night and seven nights each week, keep up a din that keeps awake and swearing all the people within a radius of four blocks? How much longer than six weeks will corralled dogs live without being fed?

Yankees who think the Dawson "street nuisance" law too stringent will do well to steer clear of Seattle on going to the outside. There they have a law which makes it cost \$5 to squirt tobacco juice on the sidewalk. In Seattle, if you expect to rate as a gentleman you will not expectorate on the street.

For Father Gendreau's advanced pupils: If it is 1600 miles from here to Nome, and if there are 125 scows stranded on the river between here and Lebarge, how many hoteakes are eaten in Dawson every morning?

Will the echoes of the commotion stirred up on the outside by D. W. Semple ever reverberate in the valley of the Yukon?

How long will it be before the last charred ember is removed and the burned district in entirely rebuilt?

How many employes out on the creeks are being fed on dog bacon?

How much, if any, will next summer's output of gold in this district fall short of equaling the aggregate amount taken out in all previous years?

Who held up Clerk Switzer?

All things considered Dawson is comparatively free from sickness, yet what would we do without our hospitals?

A man who arrived from the outside recently with letters of credit to the amount of \$50,000 says he is in doubt whether to buy a developed mine, a steamboat or start a laundry.

Two men made a bet concerning a third, one day this week. One bet the object of their dispute had not taken over two baths during his six months stay in Dawson. The other bet he had taken more than two. They agreed to question the fellow which they did. Both lost, for, pulling up his sleeves and baring his arm, the fellow displayed three layers of stratified real estate. The bottom layer he said was acquired on the Stickene early in '98, the second was recognized as being from Atlin, while an assay of the third would have revealed traces from Bennett down the line to Dawson, the most recent formation being local. When

offered the price of a bath by one of the gentlemen he said: "No you don't. I'm too off to be caught. D'yl reckon I'm goin to wash up and give the bugs a chance? Not much."

LARGE LOSS OF REVENUE.

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which have been abandoned. These figures only cover the space of 45 days, taken immediately after the law became operative and comparing them with the same period of time a year ago.

At the present the occupation of prospecting for placer gold is suspended. Everybody knows that the entire country has been staked, and that thousands of unprospected claims have been abandoned. It is to these abandoned properties that prospectors would turn their attention, if the law permitted. Undoubtedly, some of the claims would show enough to warrant development, and ultimately new producers would be added to the list of paying properties. Men who are willing to prospect are constrained to remain idle.

When Mr. Sifton realizes his grievous mistake, not only to the miners of this district but likewise to his own government, he will be stupid, if he does not immediately rectify it.

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When the lovers of athletics can see such a clean exhibition of fistic and wrestling as was to be seen at Ford's Club gymnasium last night, it is not to be wondered at that the place was crowded. It was pleasant indeed to see the various combatants work as it was for a purse instead of a friendly bout they were engaged in. The boxing was fast, clean and clever and the same may be said of the wrestling. A noticeable feature was the conspicuous absence of the man who claims to be a sport but will always yell, "Knock him out, Jim! Put it on to him, Dick! Kill him, Billy!" etc.

The town is to be congratulated that at last a club has been formed for the purpose of having good clean sport, a place where the men are pitted in friendly contest. Last night's program was well arranged and the management announced that it would be much better next Thursday.

The exercise in bag punching by Phil Smith was a clever bit of work and received its full share of attention.

Jack Devine and Merritt Barnes, in a four round contest for the championship of Comedy Hollow, put up a most laughable set to.

Phil Smith and Pat Malloy then went on to the mat for four fast rounds, during which some of the pretty points in boxing were illustrated. Let no one imagine that Malloy is not a first rater capable of putting up a winning fight with any man his weight and the pace he set last night though, not effecting him considerably distressed Smith.

The Hungarian (Hungry) Kid and Stull went on the mat for a 15 minute wrestling bout. The Kid has been training for some time but did not have strength or activity enough for his nifty scientific opponent.

Sam Moore and Merritt Barnes were scheduled for four rounds. In the first minute of the first round Sam received a blow below the waist which put him out of business for five minutes. These men put up a pretty exhibition of cleverness and the last round ended all too soon.

C. Morrison and Jack Devine were next introduced and indeed they gave a very neat exhibition of wrestling still it was a poor match in regard to weight, Morrison being in the mosquito class while Devine was built to move houses. Their work was very clever nevertheless.

Bert Ford and Pat Malloy went on the mat for 15 minutes wrestling. It was wrestling from the call of time and barring a few sailor holds, was a lively and very interesting bout.

Manager Ford would do well for the comfort of his patrons to have a ventilator of sufficient size placed in the hall as the opening of doors chills everyone.

It is this kind of sport which is to be encouraged and from the number of prominent men belonging to the club and its increase of members the next evening of sport will surely be a good one.

Fulda's Inventive Genius.

Ever since the late fire the subject of plans for future protection has been discussed every time two or more men have been congregated. At a late meeting of the trustees of the Board of Trade the matter was discussed at length and the many dissertations so effected President Fulda that he grew reminiscent with the result that the following story was perpetrated on those present: "One time in San Francisco in the days when everybody was either selling or buying hand grenades, I conceived an idea of a fire extinguisher which was this: I took demijohns

(after they were empty, of course) and filled them with a fluid of great fire extinguishing properties into which I dropped a cartridge to which was attached a fuse. In case of fire all I had to do was to take a firebrand, run around and light the various fuses, the demijohns being hung upon the walls, then run for my life and let 'er go."

Each member of the board seemed awe struck at the gigantic genius of the president and as there was a demijohn sitting on the table around which the meeting assembled, every man began to shy off as though he expected every moment to be blown into a four bit order of hash. Seeing the consternation he had wrought, the worthy president said: "Does any gentleman remember the remark made by the governor of North Carolina to the governor of South Carolina?" And the way the meeting again got around that table caused the Daily Nugget man to imagine for a moment that he was back in Florida at a Democratic convention.

P. S.—There was no cartridge with fuse attachments in that demijohn.

LOCAL BREVITIES.

The case of McGovern against Snyder is occupying the attention of the gold commissioner today.

A. D. Edgar, who brought in cattle this year, taking some of them to Eagle City, will leave tomorrow for the outside.

An exodus took place yesterday to the creeks and up and down river. This was the result of the break in the cold weather.

J. P. Carathers was brought in from 22 above on Bonanza to the Good Samaritan hospital suffering from an abscess of the knee.

The recent threat of the weather to grow warmer seems to have been a bluff, as this morning mercury was again down in the vicinity of 45 below.

Ben Levy is reported to have closed a contract respecting the erection of a saloon and variety theater building on the site of his old Board of Trade structure.

The Criterion hotel is to be remodelled to a considerable extent. Suites are taking the place of single rooms and elegant furnishings are being placed in them.

Although snow in small quantities has fallen occasionally since the middle of last October there is not now an average of more than eight inches on the ground in this part of the country.

Work commenced on a new opera house today which is to be built on the lot where the Hoffman house formerly stood. The new company will have at its head that popular manager, Paul Bordman, which insures success.

As one indication that Dawson is improving morally and intellectually, an observing and well-posted oldtimer says that there are 1100 less dogs sleeping under beds in the city this winter than during the cold season of former years.

The hook and ladder truck which has been a long time coming, arrived here at noon today, and the firemen commenced at once to set it up. It is so heavy that a large horse and probably two will be required. Chief Stewart will send the old one to the Forks.

Murray & Powell, who occupied the Bodega before the fire, have leased the lot and will build immediately. As yet they have not let any contract for the building, but from the energetic capabilities of both these gentlemen, it will surely be a credit to Front street.

Tom Wilson, at St. Mary's hospital, who has been expected to die at any time for several days, is rapidly regaining his lost strength. During the recent fire the Sisters put up a heavy blanket on the window in his private room so the reflection of the fire could not be seen, and Mr. Wilson does not know at present nor will he until well, that the Opera house, in which he was a partner, was destroyed.

Jack Stanley is at work on a novel stove which is to be used by Jim McKinnon and his partner on the trail to Nome. The stove is of the ordinary Yukon pattern only converted into a sleigh by placing runners underneath. McKinnon thinks he will find it the only practical way of using a stove to advantage on the route as it can be sidetracked at any point in an instant, and is ready for immediate action at a moment's notice.

On next Sunday night the Pihlharmonic Society will give another of its splendid concerts at the Palace Grand theater. Manager C. N. Pring is sparing no pains to get together the very best talent to be obtained in town, and on next Sunday night the program, if anything, will excel in point of excellence the one rendered two weeks ago.

In addition to the string instruments there will be selections by the best vocalists in Dawson, and altogether a most enjoyable evening is anticipated.

A man for whom this is the third winter in Dawson is authority for the statement that a fewer number of men sleep in bar rooms this winter than during the two preceding ones. But he added that the number of men in the city this winter who are "flat broke" is greater than has before been known, but nearly all of them have cabins in which to sleep. Many men who sit around and sleep in chairs have money in their pockets, but they prefer to save it for meals instead of extending it for beds or for wood with which to warm a cabin.

If the telegraph wire is not already working (it was still down at 2 o'clock this afternoon) it will certainly be repaired by tonight. The break is between Tagish and Bennett and when such breaks occur a lineman is started from each end and the man first reaching the defect repairs it. As the distance between Bennett and Tagish is only 50 miles, and as the wire ceased to work early Wednesday night and the lineman probably started out yesterday morning, it will indicate that traveling in that country is bad if the line is not in working order very soon.

Record of Transfers.

H. T. Hannon to F. Kloke, quarter interest in No. 3 Eldorado.

F. B. Inlow to Mrs. L. E. Moulton, half interest in hillside on right limit off No. 19a Hunker.

Sheriff of Yukon territory to J. E. Gerrouard, hillside opposite lower half of No. 5 above mouth of Gold Bottom, left limit.

5 E. C. Little to J. Smith, half of No. 6 below on Sulphur.

O. C. Carlson to J. Smith third interest of No. 5 above on Bear.

D. Kennedy et al to C. S. Rogers, quarter interest of bench claim on 10th tier, left limit, hydraulic reserve, Hunker.

R. M. Crosby, et al., to J. G. Poupore, No. 8 on left fork of Eureka.

P. E. Deville to A. J. Mangold, No. 1 Magnet Gulch.

H. E. Wells to F. Swanson, half interest of No. 33 below on Sulphur.

F. Swanson to T. McMullen, half interest of No. 33 below on Sulphur.

O. Merton to S. T. Prather, hillside claim opposite upper half, left limit, No. 8 Boulder.

A. J. Williams to J. R. Reed et al, half interest bench, left limit, opposite 52 below, Bonanza.

French Exploration Company to C. A. Chapman, an six-eighth of the 75 foot fraction at the upper end of No. 17 Eldorado.

PERSONAL MENTION.

Frank J. Murphy is among the guests at the Hotel McDonald.

Jim Nichols, from II below, Hunker, is in town on business.

Wilfried George is visiting the city, and is registered at the McDonald.

"Yorkie," a well known sour dough, will start for Nome early next week.

Blossom Bordman, who has been ill with heart trouble, is able to be out again.

Dr. Thompson, physician in charge at the Good Samaritan hospital, is steadily improving from the effects of a late attack of fever.

Geo. Woodruff, "Hootch," who is at the Sister's hospital the victim of a serious case of blood poisoning, is improving quite rapidly.

Tom Edgar of 18 below upper, Dominion, is in town under a physician's care, having had a slight touch of paralysis of the face.

Local Manager A. B. Clegg of the Dominion telegraph, is improving slowly from the effects of his recent illness, but as yet is able to be about but little.

Mrs. Eugene Stahl is an inmate of the Good Samaritan hospital suffering from a disease which may necessitate the performing of a delicate surgical operation before her health is fully restored.

A recent report credited Joe Jourdan with the intentions of starting for Nome on Saturday. The gentleman wishes to have it known that he and his estimable wife will not leave here until some time in February.

The Down Town Bank.

The business of the down town branch of the Canadian Bank of Commerce, will until further notice, be transacted at the main office near the barracks. The books and records of the branch were removed to the main office before the fire.

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LENGTHY MEETING OF YUKON COUNCIL

It Was Hospital and Indigent Day With the Sanhedrim.

Ordinance Respecting Investigation of Fires Read Third Time and Passed—Matter of Taxation to Be Considered.

The council met at 8 o'clock p. m. Saturday, Commissioner Ogilvie presiding.

Present—Messrs. Ogilvie, Girouard, Dugas, Senkler, Clement.

A communication was received from Adjutant Morris of the Salvation Army, stating that the army were prepared to take care of indigent patients at the rate of \$2 per day.

Moved by Mr. Clement, seconded by Mr. Senkler:

That this communication be referred to the finance committee to be taken into consideration when discussing generally the question of the treatment of indigents and sick.

Moved in amendment by Mr. Justice Dugas, seconded by Mr. Girouard,

That the communication be not referred to the finance committee, and that the request be not entertained, inasmuch as the sum of \$2000 had been already spent in fitting up a portion of the Good Samaritan hospital with the understanding that they should receive indigents at \$1.25 per day, or at \$1.50 per day at the outside. The amendment was lost on the casting vote by Mr. Ogilvie, and the motion carried on the same division reversed.

The clerk presented the minutes of the last meeting of the board of fire commissioners.

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

That the finance committee be instructed to consider the question of raising a certain sum of money by local taxation in Dawson, to estimate the amount necessary, and the method by which taxes should be levied.

In reply to the question asked by Mr. Justice Dugas at the last meeting as to whether or not the resolution of the council of the 24th March last that patients should be sent to the St. Mary's and the Good Samaritan hospitals from that date in proportion to the number of beds in each hospital had been carried out, and, if not, why? A communication was received from the comptroller which stated that the majority of the patients admitted to the hospitals had been brought in from the creeks by the police, and were placed in the Good Samaritan hospital without any order having been issued by him, but wherever an application had been made to him for admittance he had endeavored to carry out the resolution of the council, and had sent the majority of the patients to St. Mary's hospital; that a number of paupers who had sought shelter, and who did not require hospital treatment, some of whom had been kept at the barracks, others at the Salvation Army, and others he had authorized admitted to the Good Samaritan hospital at a rate of \$3 per day each.

Moved by Mr. Clement, seconded by Mr. Senkler.

Resolved, That a copy of the question put by Mr. Justice Dugas, and the answer thereto by the comptroller in reference to the action taken from the council's resolution of the 24th March last be referred to them.

On motion of Mr. Clement, seconded by Mr. Girouard.

Resolved, That the bill entitled "An ordinance respecting investigation of

accidents by fire" be now read the third time.

The said bill was accordingly read the third time.

The commissioner having put the question, "That this bill do now pass," it was resolved in the affirmative.

At the meeting of the council on Tuesday last when the question on the adoption of the finance committee's report, Judge Dugas strongly opposed that portion favoring the giving of \$375 per month for six months to the free library. While he was willing the council should contribute liberally, he did not feel that the library should be practically sustained by the council.

Boers Are Hunters.

The Boers are credited with being great hunters and chief of them in his younger days was President Kruger, whose daring in attacking a lion single-handed with a hunting knife has many times been told. When the Boers migrated from Cape Colony to Transvaal they were forced to clear the way by killing 6000 lions, many of which were killed by Kruger. For years the South African Boers have been hunters, and their skill with the knife is due to this daily practice in the fields and woods. But with them the killing of game has been a matter of dollars and cents or self-protection.

Their creditable work of freeing South Africa of the dreaded lions, which roamed in such numbers that life was rendered unsafe anywhere in that country, is offset by their ruthless destruction of the giraffe from Cape Colony to the Botieul river. If they killed 6000 lions in the Transvaal before existence was made safe, they may have killed 60,000 of the innocent, graceful giraffes. In the early days of South African history the giraffe was the most abundant game in the Transvaal, Matabeleland and Orange Free States. But the creature has been killed off like our American buffalo, and a few remaining representatives of a noble race gradually driven north. For years past the giraffe has been a profitable quarry for the Boer hunters, and the animals were valued by them only because the hides were articles of commercial value. They were poached, shot down in droves, and destroyed in the greatest number possible in every direction.

A good giraffe skin is worth from \$10 to \$20 in South Africa today, and much more in Europe. On their hunting trips 10 and 15 years ago, it was a common matter for one hunter to kill 40 or 50 of these graceful animals in one day. The reason for this is that the giraffe is one of the most innocent of animals, and is easily hunted. It is absolutely defenceless, and there is hardly a case on record where a wounded giraffe turned upon the hunter. It is true, giraffes have great powers of speed, and they can dodge rapidly from tree to tree in the woods, but they offer such a fair mark that these tactics hardly ever save them.

Weather Report.

Last night, the weather became colder and the minimum temperature registered by the barracks thermometer was 46.5 degrees below zero.

At noon today the instrument evidenced 40 degrees below.

Major Perry's Troubles.

In his capacity of police magistrate Major Perry is called upon to listen to innumerable tales of woe in which are included everything in the category of trouble, from domestic infelicity down to dog theft. Everyone with a fancied grievance goes to the police magistrate for redress, and in many cases it is hard for that officer to determine just what his visitor is really after. In many instances they do not desire the assistance of the law, but they merely want to tell some one of their troubles, real or fancied, and the major is invariably selected as that person. It would take a heart as big as a Chicago ham to hold sympathy for everybody with a grievance, but in his dignified manner Major Perry is always ready with a few words of advice of a pacific nature, and the chronic growler with his chronic grievance usually goes away feeling better for having poured out his story, even if he cannot find such a gushing wellspring of sympathy as he expected.

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