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ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF RECEIPT OF EXAMINER'S BILL.

Treasury Department,

OFFICE OF THE
COMPTROLLER OF THE CURRENCY.

Washington, D. C. *July 11 1898*

Hon. John G. Brady.
National Bank Examiner,

Sitka - Alaska.

Sir:

Your bill for the examination of *the Sitka National*
Bank, Alaska is received.
from July 25 1898

As soon as collected a draft for the amount (\$ *100*) will
be remitted to you.

Respectfully yours,

Ramsey O. Murray
Deputy Comptroller of Currency.

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NEW BANK ORGANIZED.

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Treasury Department,
OFFICE OF
COMPTROLLER OF THE CURRENCY.

Washington, D. C., June 1, 1896, 189...

Hon. Jno. G. Brady,

National Bank Examiner,

Sitka, Alaska.

Sir:

The First National Bank of Juneau, Juneau, Alaska,
(No. 5117) has just been organized and may be added to your list.

You will please ascertain, by correspondence or otherwise, at what date the bank will open for business, and arrange to examine it within two months thereafter. You should be careful to ascertain and report whether or not the organization has been properly effected, and the capital paid in as certified, or if any part thereof is represented by stock notes or other indebtedness of the subscribers.

If, for any reason, it is not convenient for you to make the examination within the period above specified, please apply to this office for an extension of time.

Respectfully yours,

Charles G. James

Comptroller.

War Department,

ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE,

Washington, Nov. 10, 1898.

Governor
Adjutant General

State of Alaska,

Sitka.

GENERAL:

I am directed by the Secretary of War to invite your attention to the requirements of Section 1636, Revised Statutes of the United States, a copy of which is hereto annexed, and to request you to forward to the Adjutant General of the Army, on or before the first Monday in January next, the annual return of militia of your State.

To secure uniformity in these returns the strength of each arm of the service should be reported separately.

A supply of blanks for this purpose is sent herewith.

Should there be neither organized nor unorganized militia in your State, you are requested to state that fact on the face of the blank inclosed and to forward it to this office. In the absence of an enrollment of the unorganized force available for militia duty, it is specially desired that you furnish an approximate estimate thereof, based upon the most reliable data in your possession.

Very respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

H. C. Corbin

Adjutant General.

Section 1636, Revised Statutes of the United States.

It shall be the duty of the Adjutant General in each State to make return of the militia of the State, with their arms, accouterments, and ammunition, agreeably to the provisions of law, to the President of the United States, annually, on or before the first Monday in January; and it shall be the duty of the Secretary of War, from time to time, to give such directions to the Adjutant Generals of the militia as may, in his opinion, be necessary to produce a uniformity in such returns.

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In correspondence on this subject quote the above initials and file number.

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE,

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WASHINGTON, D. C.

ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE

July 16, 1898.

Hon. John G. Brady,
Governor of Alaska,
Sitka, Alaska.

Sir:-

Your letter of the 3rd ult., to Major Strong of this Department, in regard to certain expenses of Commissioner Tuttle, has been received and considered.

In reply thereto, you are advised that there seems to be no provision of law, under which the Commissioner can be reimbursed his expenses of travel. The law provides only that he shall be entitled to fees as United States Commissioner, fees for services as Justice of the Peace, and certain fees for recording instruments. The law also gives him a salary of \$1,000 per year.

Respectfully,

Geo E Boyd

Acting Attorney General.

SUBJECT: G. O. No. 97.

WAR DEPARTMENT,
WASHINGTON,

FILE NO.

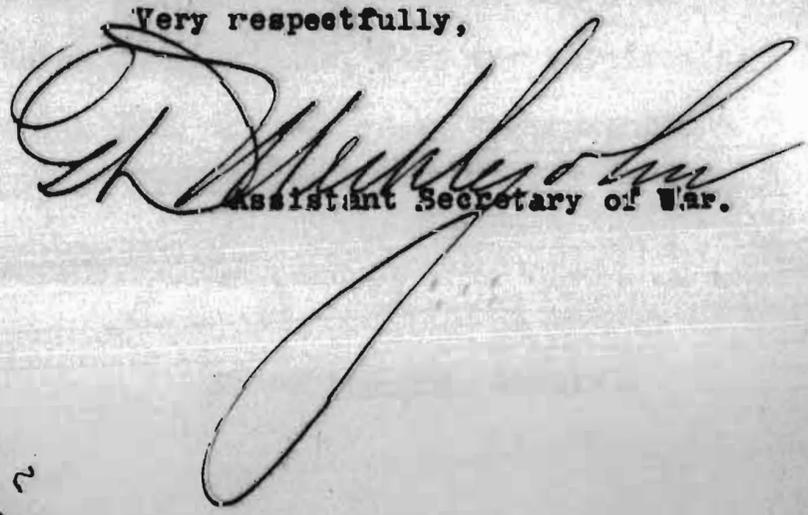
July 19, 1898.

Sir:

I have the honor to transmit herewith, for your information, copy of General Orders No. 97, publishing for the information and guidance of all concerned, the Act approved July 8, 1898:

"To reimburse the governors of States and Territories for expenses incurred by them in aiding the United States to raise and organize and supply and equip the Volunteer Army of the United States in the existing war with Spain".

Very respectfully,



Assistant Secretary of War.

Hon. John G. Brady,
Governor of Alaska,
Sitka, Alaska.

(Inclosure: Copy of G. O. No. 97.)

COPY.

Department of the Interior.

General Land Office.

Washington, D.C.

June 21, 1898.

The U. S. Surveyor General,
Sitka, Alaska.

Sir:

Under the Act approved May 14, 1898, the Homestead Laws were extended over Alaska with certain limitations as to the extent of entries allowed to be made under the same, and you are requested to inform this office, whether in your judgment and from the best information you can command, it would be advisable to extend the rectangular system of surveys over the district of Alaska establishing base and meridian lines, as in other districts.

You will also state whether a connected system of surveys is practicable for your district, or if independent base and meridian lines should be established only in localities where agricultural lands exist. You will also advise this office whether in your judgment the system of isolated surveys under the Act of March 3, 1891, for trades and manufactures should be adopted in carrying out the provisions of the Act of May 14, 1898.

You are requested to give reasons in detail for your views upon the subject, and furnish any suggestions which may occur to you for the wisest method of conducting the surveying operations in consideration of the nature and difficulties to be encountered in Alaska. As you are on the ground and in daily contact with persons who are familiar with the conditions to be found in all

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parts of the district, it is believed that your recommendations, based upon your observations and experience, will assist this office in forming a decision as to the best course to pursue in regard to these surveys.

A copy of the Act of May 14, 1898, is herewith enclosed.

Very respectfully,

(Signed) Binger Hermann.

Commissioner.

Department of the Interior
General Land Office
Washington, D. C.
The U. S. Surveyor General
Alaska, Alaska
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UNITED STATES LAND OFFICE,
Office of U.S. Surveyor General,
District of Alaska.

Sitka, July 16th, 1898.

Hon. John G. Brady,
Governor of Alaska,
Sitka, Alaska.

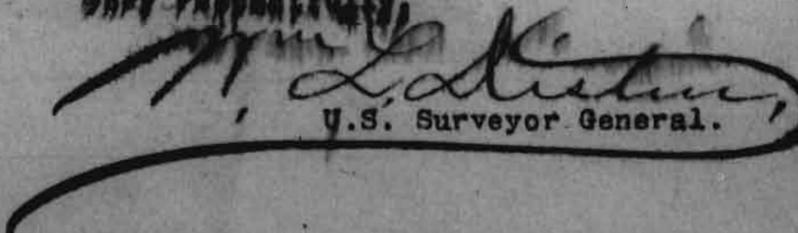
Dear Sir:

I enclose you, herewith, copy of the letter I called your attention to today from the Hon. Commissioner, G.N.S., for your information and guidance. You kindly offered to submit this office your opinion in regard to same.

Your long residence and knowledge of the conditions that exist in Alaska, will doubtless enable you to furnish the Department valuable data of the information desired, -- "Of the advisability of adopting the same system of public survey in Alaska as in other districts, or adopt some other system."

In submitting your views upon this subject, will you please state whether or not the conditions would be the same all over the Territory or different in some sections? By so doing, you will very much oblige,

Very respectfully,


U.S. Surveyor General.

M. J. R.
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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
WASHINGTON.

April 11th., 1899.

The Governor
of Alaska.

Sir:--

Under date of the 28th. of December, 1898, copies of letters from certain persons were sent you in regard to the murder by Alaskan Indians of the survivors of the steamer "Jessie", which was wrecked at the mouth of the Kuskowin River in June of 1898.

Since that time several inquiries have been received by the Department in regard to a Mr. Frierson of Tennessee and the Rev. Ernest L. Weber and wife, who were supposed to have been in the party. Mr. Weber is represented as having been the interpreter and pilot on board the ship "Jessie" and was also a Moravian missionary.

I have to request that you will at the earliest practicable date institute such investigation as the means at your command may warrant, with a view to determine the whereabouts of the ship "Jessie" and the passengers thereon.

Very respectfully,

E. H. Hitchcock.
Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
WASHINGTON.

APRIL 11 1899

Department of State,

Washington, March 31, 1899.

His Excellency

The Governor of

Alaska

Sir:

In view of a request from the British Ambassador at Washington, dated the 27th instant, I have the honor to request, for the information of Her Majesty's Secretary of State for the Home Department, that I may be supplied with copies of any laws at present in force in your State dealing with the subject of the suppression of drunkenness and of any State publications on the subject of inebriety.

I have the honor to be, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

JOHN HAY.

IN YOUR REPLY
PLEASE REFER TO INITIALS AND DATE.
ADDRESS ENVELOPE
SALARY AND ALLOWANCE DIVISION.

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POST OFFICE DEPARTMENT
FIRST ASSISTANT POSTMASTER GENERAL
SALARY AND ALLOWANCE DIVISION
WASHINGTON

April 20, 1899.

Subject: Clerk-hire at Skagway, Alaska.

Sir:

Referring to your letter of the 6th instant, I have the honor to state that the matter of an increased clerical force at Skagway, Alaska, was referred to the Fourth Assistant Postmaster General for investigation some time since, and it is understood that an inspector has just reached that point, and therefore a report is expected within a few weeks, at which time favorable action in the matter of increased allowance for clerk-hire will be had.

Very respectfully,

Geo. M. Allen
Acting First Assistant
Postmaster General.

Gen. John G. Brady,
Sitka, Alaska.

J. M. A.

Department of the Interior,

GENERAL LAND OFFICE,

OFFICE OF U. S. SURVEYOR GENERAL,

FOR THE DISTRICT OF ALASKA,

Sitka, April 12, 1899.

Hon. John G. Brady,
Governor of Alaska,
Sitka.

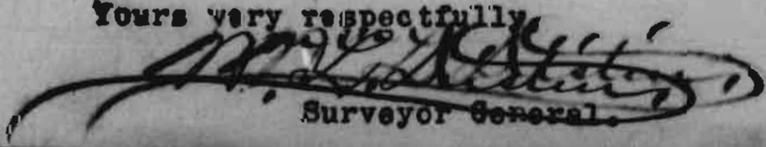
Sir:-

For your information and guidance, I most respectfully enclose herewith copy of my office letter dated January 6, 1899, in response to letter dated December 23, 1898, from the Hon. Commissioner, General Land Office, Washington, D. C., with copy of communication enclosed, by reference from the Hon. Secretary of the Interior, from one, O. Odell, dated Sitka, December 9, 1898, referring to the same subject matter as per our conversation in your office, yesterday afternoon.

As stated in my letter to the Hon. Commissioner, General Land Office the whole matter is only a piece of spite work, false and simply petty jealousy on the part of some unscrupulous rascal, written under an assumed name. With the exception of a few who were disappointed in not getting the building or had selfish motives in the matter, there is no valid objections to its present position by the community. The entire matter has been referred to and now rests with the Hon. Commissioner, General Land Office.

I have a clew and a decoy out and hope to locate the guilty party. Any public reference to the matter from your office would defeat my purpose. I will thank you to keep on the alert for any information regarding same, and greatly oblige,

Yours very respectfully,


Surveyor General.

C O P Y.

Page 2, Gen. Com. B, L. O.

Sitka, January 6, 1899.

Hon. Commissioner, still hoping for relief,

General Land Office, that I had removed the building without permission to

Washington, D. C. now stands, in absurd as my office letter dated Dec-

Sir:- 2, 1898, enclosing copy of letter from the Custodian of the property,

I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of your letter dated Dec-11 show, ember 23, 1898, under initial "A", enclosing copy of letter from one, to my stand- O. Odell, of Sitka, attacking me in a most villianous and unscrupleous of en- manner. I have carefully neted same, and can only say that this is the nation- first time in the history of my life that I have ever been villified in father any such way. I presume now that I am an office holder, any unscr- you can pleous person, either for selfish motives or pure cussedness, will take such liberties. whole matter is nothing more than a piece of spite work, put

This party may be one of the disappointed ones who failed to pur- petty chase the building, for a saloon or other purposes, and all he asserts and to is simply ridiculous and false. I consider myself too discreet and would will beneath my dignity to talk in such manner as charged. I have made diligent inquiry today and have been unable to learn of any one by that name. The Postmistress informs me that she does not know of any such person.

I took up the matter of the building in question with you, first on April 26, 1898, and on the following dates thereafter, August 6, October 10, and December 8, 1898, with but one object in view, as stated, that of a dire desire to secure office quarters and a place to shelter myself and family. As you know, I have been out here for over a year and am unprovided with permanent quarters and am very uncomfertably sit-

Department of the Interior,

Page 2, Hon. Com. G. L. O. LAND OFFICE

OFFICE OF U. S. SURVEYOR GENERAL

wanted, and am still hoping for relief.

The charge that I had removed the building without permission to locate it where it now stands, is absurd as my office letter dated Dec-8, 1898, enclosing copy of letter from the Custodian of the property, also copy of letter from the Commandent of the Marine Corps, will show;

Sir: I am an open book and am proud of my past record. As to my standing and reputation, I most respectfully refer you to my letters of endorsements, on file in the Appointment Clerks Office. As to my nationality, I am an Ohioan by birth, my mother a Pennsylvanian, and my father was born in England, but came to this country when an infant. You can draw your own inference.

The whole matter is nothing more than a piece of spite work, put up, no doubt, with the hopes of causing me some annoyance, simply petty jealousy, and by some one, I am inclined to think, who is ashamed to sign his own name. As to the cost of the building, when completed will be nearer \$2,000 than \$200.

Very respectfully,
(signed) Wm. L. Distin,
Surveyor General.

I have a plan and a decoy out and hope to locate the guilty party. Any public reference to the matter from your office would defeat my purpose. I will thank you to keep on the alert for any information regarding same, and greatly obliged.

Yours very respectfully,

Surveyor General.

BALANCE TO OFFICIAL CREDIT OF A DISBURSING OFFICER WITH AN ASSISTANT TREASURER U. S.

United States Sub-Treasury Service,

OFFICE OF THE
Assistant Treasurer,

San Francisco, Cal June 27, 1898

J. G. Brady Gov + SDA
Sitka,
Alaska

Sir:

On *June 14*, 189*8*, the Assistant Treasurer of
the United States at *San Francisco, Cal*, reported as standing
to your official credit on the books of his office the sum of *\$1600*,
and rendered to you a statement of your account to that date. I will
thank you to inform me whether the balance reported is correct by
indorsing and returning this letter.

This information is desired only for verification of the accounts of
the Assistant Treasurer, which are now being examined.

Respectfully yours,

Ellis H. Roberts,
Treasurer U. S.
In charge of examination

Jan. 16th 9

Mr. Chas. H. Isham
U.S. Comm'r at Unga Alaska

My dear Sir:

Yours of the 7th
 inst. is before me. I do not believe that
 you care a cent about the interests of the
 Community for which you were appointed.
 It may be true that you did not leave
 Alaska until Dec. 10 but you left
 Unga in Oct. and you can scarcely plead
 with a good grace that you expected to be
 a witness. I gave you to understand
 when I met you at Unga that I would not
 approve of your leaving that Community
 helpless all winter. It is not right that
 you should have planned to do so.
 When I went over to Guneau your conduct
 in drinking &c at The Leuvre was complained
 of to me by some of your enemies.

To say the least you have not been even
discreet. I am very plain with you
and would advise you to govern your-
self accordingly.

Respectfully yours

John S. Brady

J. D. B. -2-

San Francisco, Jan. 7, 1899.

Hon. John D. Brady,
c/o Bureau of Education,
Washington, D. C.,

My Dear Governor:-

I arrived here the day before Christmas and am waiting to ascertain when the vessel will leave for Unga during the winter. At the present time I am satisfied that none will leave before the first proximo and as my leave of absence expires in sixty days from the time I left Alaska, (Dec. 10) I would in all probability leave here at that time unless my leave can be extended and it for this reason that I now address you, knowing that you will write me frankly whether I can be of any service to you or the people of Alaska.

If I should come to Washington, should you wish me to come, I think you can arrange it with the Secretary so that I can leave here to return to take the boat leaving here about February the 25th. In other words having my leave of absence extended thirty days.

I have written Senator Wellington and enclosed him a copy of the Bill sent by the Chamber of Commerce and asked him

J. D. B. -2-

to interest himself in behalf of the measure.

From the papers I judge you to be an advocate of this Bill in its entirety and I am glad that you are on the ground to push the matter before the Committee. There is one thing certain in reference to this matter and that is the unanimity with which it is endorsed by the Alaska people. It is the first time in my experience in Alaskan affairs that the people have been a unit and I am glad that it is your good fortune as you have the ability and the courage to represent the people at Washington. Therefore I should feel pleased to be on the ground with you and render you in my feeble way as much assistance as possible.

With kind regards to Dr. Jackson and hoping to hear from you at once, I am,

Sincerely yours,

Chas. H. Isham

Palace Hotel

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,

WASHINGTON,

Jan. 14, 1899,

The Governor of Alaska,

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City,

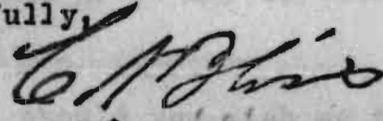
Sir;

In compliance with your verbal request I deliver herewith reports of the Governor of Alaska as follows:

1896, 20 copies;
1897, 200 "
1898, 20 "

I regret that of the last report so few remain that only the number specified can now be furnished you.

Very respectfully,



Secretary.

Washington, D. C., January 24th, 1899.

To the Honorable Secretary
of the Interior.

Sir:-

On Saturday last I received the telegram of which the enclosed is a copy; also addressed a letter to Senator Perkins, copy enclosed.

The people of the West Coast are very much concerned as to the labors of the High Commission now in session. The interests involved are very great and I think that if the Commission could hold sessions at Seattle and in Victoria before coming to a final conclusion it would be better for all concerned. If they should conclude to do so I think it would be wise to have a Western representative to sit on the Commission while they are discussing these Alaska questions.

Matters are in such a state at Skagway and the passes that very serious trouble could be stirred up upon short notice. The action of the parliament in British Columbia will put our people to a great deal of trouble and expense to adjust their business with these new laws. Anyhow it has been nearly all American enterprise and money which has discovered and developed these gold regions in British territory, but our people have never claimed anything more than the British laws allowed them. Now to make such a change suddenly at the beginning of the season for which they have made such vast preparation is a great hardship upon them.

Very respectfully,

John S. Brady
Governor of Alaska.

Albert D. Elliot
~~CHARLES D. ROGERS,~~
CLERK.

Territory of Alaska,

OFFICE OF THE CLERK OF U. S. DISTRICT COURT,

Juneau, Alaska, November 20, 1898, 189....

Hon John G. Brady,

Sitka, Alaska,

My Dear Governor;-

Before coming over to Court, I drew up some blank Permits, so that if you desired to issue any, I would have them in shape. I forgot, however, to have you sign the same. You will find them enclosed. Kindly sign and hand them to Hal McNair, to give to me, when he comes over to Juneau.

In case you should desire to issue any Permit and give me the name, it will then only be necessary for me to fill up the blanks in those I have drawn and sign them, and forward where you desire them sent without delay.

Yours sincerely,

Albert D. Elliot.



Office of the Postmaster General,
Washington, D. C.

April 19, 1899.

Hon. John G. Brady,
Governor of Alaska,
Sitka, Alaska.

Dear Sir:

I am directed by the Postmaster General to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 6th instant, complaining of the bad condition of the post office at Skaguay, and to say that the statements contained therein will be given careful consideration.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, which appears to read "Clavin D. Dawson". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the typed name.

Private Secretary.

All letters must be addressed to "The Chief of Ordnance, U. S. Army, Washington, D. C."

SUBJECT Alaska--Annual return of State Militia.

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Office of the Chief of Ordnance

United States Army

Washington April 18, 1899.

In replying refer to No.

To the

Governor of Alaska,
Sitka, Alaska.

Sir:

I have the honor to inform you that the property return pertaining to the Militia of the Territory of Alaska, for the year ended December 31st, 1898, has not been received. It is requested that this return be transmitted to this office at the earliest date practicable, in conformity with existing law, for final settlement.

Very respectfully,

Brig. Genl., Chief of Ordnance.

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Hydoh Mission
Jackson Alaska
Jan. 9-97-

My Dear Gov. -

I take the opportunity of recommending

Edwin Scott

a Hydoh, as a suitable person to act as native

police man at Shingoon and Hunters Bay Alaska.

He hopes to have full and explicit instructions as to his duties and the assurance of being sustained in them

Respectfully

J. Lewis Gould



ASSEMBLY HALL.

OFFICE OF SECRETARY

8 CULMER BLOCK.

THE TRANS-MISSISSIPPI COMMERCIAL CONGRESS.

—NINTH SESSION.—

Salt Lake City, Utah, May 12, 1897

His Excellency, Governor James Sheekley,

Sitka,

Alaska.

Dear Sir:-

I addressed you several weeks ago asking your executive favor in the appointment of ten influential persons to represent your State at this session of the Congress.

I again enclose an official Call and other matter which pertinently sets forth the purposes of this meeting, and will add that from information already received it will be attended by many distinguished persons and matters of great importance discussed. It is also designed to make it a fraternal and exceedingly pleasant gathering and we would feel honored at your presence here.

The greatest celebration of this State occurs at the time. Half rates will be offered by railroads centering here and every inducement offered for the comfort of delegates.

May I now renew my request for your representation for which I enclose blank and remain, dear sir,

Very respectfully yours,

W. H. Culmer
Secretary

B. M. BEHREND'S

BANKER & DEALER IN GENERAL MERCHANDISE.

Juneau, Alaska July 17 1897

My dear Mr Brady.

I understand the people of Juneau and Sitka are making petitions to the President for the pardon of J. Timmers. Mrs Timmers informed me that all the different officers from the judge to the district attorney were doing what they could in Jacks behalf and asked me to write to you to use your influence as Governor of the Territory for them. You are as well acquainted with the whole proceedings as I am. Timmers was sentenced 7 years and has served about 2 1/2 now his friends all think that this is as long as it should be, considering the real damage he did. Mrs Timmers is in poor circumstance both in health and finance and thinks it time for Jack to come home. It is in her behalf I am writing these lines and know you will do whatever is right.

We are enjoying good health and hope to see you in Juneau soon

Yours truly

B. M. Behrends.

IRISH POLITICAL PRISONERS' FUND ASSOCIATION.

NO. 734 THIRD AVENUE.

NEW YORK, JANUARY 14TH, 1897.

Hon. *James Peckley*

DEAR SIR:

We respectfully request the use of your name as a Vice-President of a meeting of American citizens which will be held at the Grand Central Palace, Lexington Avenue, 43rd to 44th Streets, New York, on Tuesday Evening, February 2nd, for the purpose of advocating the release of Irishmen and Irish-Americans now confined in British prisons for political offences and aiding those recently released in a deplorable condition of mind and body.

John E. Redmond, M. P., who has rendered splendid service to the cause of Amnesty and made a special study of the cases of the imprisoned men, will deliver an address setting forth the circumstances of their trial and conviction and the reasons for demanding their release. He will be followed by Hon. W. Bourke Cockran, who will voice American sentiment in favor of Amnesty and make an eloquent plea for the termination of the horrors of a convict system which has driven about half these prisoners insane and made physical wrecks of all. Two cases in point are Gallagher and Whitehead, now confined in Amityville Asylum for the Insane.

The object of the meeting is one of humanity in which all American citizens may freely join and the utmost care will be taken that nothing shall be said or done that could in any way injure the prisoners or throw an obstacle in the way of Amnesty. We seek to bring a great body of American public opinion to bear in a proper and legitimate manner on the British Government and we want the aid of every American whose voice or influence would be of use in this good work.

The general impression with regard to these prisoners is that they were tried and convicted of various dynamite offences. That is not so, one and all were tried and convicted of treason-felony under the Treason-Felony Act of 1848. This statute was passed to meet the case of John Mitchel and the Young Irelanders. The offences with which it deals are what before that date were known to the law as High Treason.

We therefore ask the honor of your presence if possible, or if not, an expression of sympathy with the objects of the meeting, and the use of your name as a Vice-President, as previously requested.

We remain

Very sincerely yours,

GENERAL JAMES R. O'BEIRNE, President,
357 West 117th Street., N. Y.

JAMES O'SULLIVAN, Vice-President,
116 Varick Street, N. Y.

EDWARD O'FLAHERTY, Treasurer,
323 West 46th Street, N. Y.

JOHN DEVOY,
Vanderbilt Hotel, N. Y. }
JOHN J. JOYCE,
6 St. Lukes Place, N. Y. } Secretaries.

RODERICK J. KENNEDY, Chairman Executive Committee,
354 West 31st Street, N. Y.



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SEATTLE WASH. Apr. 28, 1897.

Mr. James Sheokley,
 Pres. Board School Directors,
 Sitka, Alaska.

Dear Sir,--

I have this day entered upon my books the order of Peter Smeby for material for school house about to be erected at Heeniah.

Mr. Smeby is an entire stranger to me, but I feel justified in making him the shipment on your written assurance that the money for lumber will be paid to me.

I am very thankful for your assistance in this matter, hope I shall have an opportunity at no late date to reciprocate.

Thanking you for the favor, I am,

Yours very truly.

Kerry Lumber Co.
 Per.....

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SHELDON JACKSON,
General Agent of
Education for Alaska.

Department of the Interior,
Bureau of Education,
ALASKA DIVISION,

Washington, D. C., January 19, 1897.

Hon. James Sheakley,
Sitka, Alaska.

My dear Governor:

Yours of December 27th containing recorded deed of school lot at Douglas Island, is safely received, for which receive our thanks.

The Secretary has authorized the advertising for bids for the erection of a school house and teacher's residence at Hoonah, in accordance with the plans which you forwarded to us prepared by the Smeby Brothers; but things move so slowly in the Interior Department that I do not know when the advertisements will reach the Alaska papers, but probably in time to erect the buildings in the spring.

Team glad to hear your report of the new school at the Treadwell Mines.

The Hon. Senator Davis, chairman of the Senate Committee on Territories has introduced the bill which you sent him, to allow the Governor to appoint justices of the peace for Alaska. Also a bill to enable the district court at Sitka to naturalize the Metlakahtla people. There seems to be a good deal of doubt whether any legislation of any kind can be secured this session. I shall be very glad to see the ambitious statesmen of Alaska when they

come east this winter. Please say to Judge Delaney that we are very much gratified at the good record he has made at the two terms of court held by him.

I think you are getting very dissipated in Sitka: First I hear about the Governor making a dinner party of so many courses and inviting all the Ministers and their wives; and then I hear about Judge Brady doing the same; then I read about a 'Progressive euchre party' in which the Governor got the booby prize. Now you will have to be careful or you will get a bad reputation up in that country!

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

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Answered

Nov 4 1897

Daytonport, Ia.

June 20th 1893

Hon. James Shuckley.

Sitka, Alaska.

Dear Sir: I
am looking for a school
in Scott County and
think letters of reference
from the Alaska board
may be of assistance
to me. You were a mem-
ber of the board when
I taught and you visit-
ed my school if you
feel that you can send
me a letter will you

Kindly do so.

I am in need of money
and employment such as
I desire.

Wishing you political
and financial success I
am Respectfully

(Mrs.) Alice Blakett

2229 Tarran St.

M. O. O.

5-025.

Department of the Interior,

OFFICE OF INDIAN AFFAIRS,

Washington, D. C., May 4, 1897

SIR:

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of 15 ult.
inclosing cash accounts for the 3^d
quarter, 1897,

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When they have been administratively examined you will be informed of
the result.

Very respectfully,

W. P. Smith
actg Commissioner.

Hon Jas Sheakley
Sp. Dist Agent
Sitka
Alaska

EXECUTIVE ORDER REMOVING THE RESTRICTIONS PLACED HERETOFORE UPON THE IMPORTATION AND SALE, IN THE TERRITORY OF ALASKA, EXCEPT THE ISLANDS OF ST. GEORGE AND ST. PAUL, OF BREECH-LOADING RIFLES AND SUITABLE AMMUNITION THEREFOR.

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Department Circular No. 164.
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Treasury Department,

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J. G. CARLISLE,
Secretary

APPROVED :
GROVER CLEVELAND.

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Secretary

APPROVED:
GROVER CLEVELAND.

New York, Nov. 12, 1895.

His Excellency, James Sheakley,
Governor, State of Alaska,
Sitka, Alaska.

Dear Sir:-

A movement is on foot and arrangements have recently been greatly advanced among a number of enterprising business men, of a few cities, for the purpose of formulating and adopting some plan, or measure, that will facilitate and encourage a more social and intimate relation with the individual people of foreign nations, to the end that we may be the better enabled to introduce our products in a far more extensive and profitable manner than ever heretofore attempted. This effort for an increase of our foreign commerce is not to be in the interest of any particular line of goods, or section of country, but for all who may care to avail themselves of the opportunity to be offered.

Our exporters have always had an uphill road to travel in introducing their wares in foreign countries, principally for two reasons: First: Owing to the very conservative and perhaps shortsighted policy of our Government they are compelled to stand an enormous expense individually, to become acquainted before they can get the confidence of their prospective customers, and if successful in that direction the expense will have already been so great that it leaves a very small margin for profit on the venture, to say nothing of the capital required to conduct such enterprises. Second: Individual effort can never be as effective as concerted action, and no matter how strong financially the individual may be, he can never hope to achieve that success that is only attainable through a National movement. For these reasons, if for no other, the greater number of our leading manufacturers hesitate to undertake foreign trade relations and consequently only cater to a limited home market which at times being overstocked, the profit is necessarily small, whereas if they possess the facilities to dispose of a portion of their products to foreign nations both prices and output would be satisfactorily increased.

The idea of this movement is to overcome, if possible, these obstacles, and to so organize those interested as to give it the standing and dignity of a National affair without asking Congressional assistance, feeling assured that to wait for such aid the question will be as heretofore, indefinitely postponed.

The financial means have already been arranged for and

The SECOND PLAN calls for the construction of one or more exposition ships where space can be rented for the display of the products of both the soil and mill, upon the same principal as is done in expositions; such as was held at Philadelphia, Chicago and now being held at Atlanta. except that in the proposed floating exposition only American products shall be exhibited.

These ships or floating exposition buildings to be adapted to, and built especially for the purpose intended, i. e. for the exposition and display of American products in all important sea ports of the world.

Each of these plans have such strong points in their favor, that we are encouraged to adopt both, each of course having its respective functions. While the trip or voyage of one will be strictly commercial the other will be more of a semi-social-political commission or delegation representing the leading social, political and intellectual people of this country, which is bound in the future to inure to our great advantage socially, politically and commercially.

A movement is already on foot to carry out both ideas or plans by building the palatial yacht, and also constructing one or more exposition ships, as the public may demand. in the confident expectation that the adoption of either one or both plans will so extend our social and intimate relation with the individual people of foreign states, giving such an impetus to our foreign trade, as will result at once in placing the United States among the leading commercial nations of the World. It is not to be understood that the yacht will accompany the exposition ships, for while the first will be cruising through European waters, the other will be exhibiting American products along the Central and South American shores, Japan, China, Australia, the Islands, the Indies and possibly Africa. For these purposes, an organization will be created to be known as the AMERICAN EXPEDITION ASSOCIATION, under whose direction the yacht and exposition ships will be built.

THE EXPOSITIONS SHIPS. - We herewith submit a brief outline of the proposed plan for sending out the exposition ships and the necessities therefor.

It is believed that if the Foreign Consumers could be brought more into direct contact, and be made better acquainted with American products, they would be convinced of the superiority and cheapness of our goods.

Experience has taught our merchants and manufacturers that the 'Drummer system' has become necessary for the successful sale of their wares and products, and is now considered the only way to start a new business, introduce any new line of goods or extend trade in a new field or territory. All our leading houses send representatives in the field to solicit business for the home trade, but only in a very limited degree is the Foreign markets thus worked. The reason is obvious, all individual efforts in that direction have so far proven very expensive, leaving so small a margin for profit as to make the business prohibitory except with a few large concerns.

The plan presented is intended to remove that obstacle, and not only bring the buyer and seller face to face, but to expose their products before the actual consumer, whereas a permanent and lasting trade is established. All this to be popularized at home by furnishing such improved facilities at a minimum cost, so as to put it within the reach of even those of limited capital.

A series of ships will be built as may be demanded, designed, constructed and equipped for the sole exhibition of American products and manufactures, as well as for safety, comfort and convenience of those in charge of the display and sale of products.

The number of exposition ships to be built will be determined by the demand, and limited strictly to the space required and previously contracted for. Exhibition space will be sold or leased, per square foot, on the same plan usually adopted in exposition buildings. There will be a restaurant on board with moderate charges for the convenience of those in charge of exhibits and their guests. Every ship will indeed be a floating Exposition of American products, giving a complete exhibit in all important ports of the World; a sample and salesroom, as it were, at every port touched; remaining at each sufficiently long to display the products to the general public and to afford an opportunity for the transaction and the establishment of business connections, appointing agencies, etc.

As fast as built and equipped they will be sent on their way, one or more along the Central and South American Shores touching at all ports of importance. The others to be despatched to the Australian Islands, Japan, China, Siam, India, etc., - On arrival at every important point, the ship will be open to visitors. Special rates of transportation may be secured for merchants and visitors from the interior. The exposition will be billed and advertised abroad at every port upon the same principal as our land expositions, and it is safe to predict that the vessels will be taxed to their utmost capacity to accommodate the immense crowds that will be attracted for days by the novel and interesting floating exposition from the United States of America.

The advantages of this plan over that of the usual expositions are manifest; the attendance at Expositions held in this Country is confined mostly to our own people, with the exception of perhaps a few who are here more for the purpose of exhibiting their own wares, than in the character of buyers.

And further, when American products are exhibited in Foreign Expositions they are only a part of a vast collection from all over the World and at best only receive a divided interest, but on the proposed floating exposition, we secure a monopoly of attention which cannot but result in opening up markets for our goods not heretofore possible.

THE YACHT "PALACE OF NEPTUNE". - Contemporaneous with the construction of these Exposition ships, and as herein first mentioned, there will be built the Palatial yacht to be called the "PALACE OF NEPTUNE".

The necessities and uses for such a yacht, the expected results, complete details of construction, conveniences and magnificence, together with those who shall be delegates, what executive, commercial and social bodies shall have a representation, etc., will be given and compiled in the shape of a Prospectus now being prepared, a copy of which will be mailed on application to well known executive and representative people only.

It seems to be the fixed policy of the Government not to lend any financial aid to the introduction of foreign commerce, by means of any special legislation or appropriations.

Boards of Trade, Chambers of Commerce, Political Organizations and influential citizens have petitioned Congress from time to time to adopt a liberal policy in this direction, but all to no purpose. Now what are we to do? Wait and do nothing because the Government will not come to our assistance, or should we not immediately proceed to help ourselves? With such a movement already started to what extent can we depend upon your moral support and co-operation? In order that we may ascertain your feelings in the matter, please permit us to present the following questions and propositions.

FIRST: Since the Government refuses to do anything, do you favor a corporation acting in the premises?

SECOND: If so, will you aid and lend moral support or assist the said corporation as far as in your power, provided it acts perfectly neutral and fair, between the exporters on the one hand and the foreign countries to whom the products are to be introduced and sold, on the other. The said corporation agreeing not to enter into business as a competitor, but simply to serve the general public by furnishing the means and conveyance for the transaction of business; and further that it is not to send a delegate upon the yacht Palace of Neptune, but simply to furnish a magnificent and commodious conveyance for the sole use of the delegation as herein proposed?

THIRD: Will you use your best efforts or influence to induce our people to take advantage of the proposed floating exposition, to display and offer for sale their products, to the end that they may become exporters and that the movement may become a general one?

Trusting that if you be at the head of a body with power to nominate a delegate or if you should be named as a delegate by virtue of your office and cannot personally accompany the commission abroad, you will nominate a representative in your stead that will do credit to you and your people and an honor to the nation.

It matters not which line you take upon yourself within which to render assistance, whether it be social, political, educational or commercial. If you are deeply interested in society, you can organize your own circle of friends, try to have them appointed delegates and select congenial quarters upon the yacht Palace of Neptune. No doubt they will do honor to our country when abroad, to say nothing of the pleasant and delightful entertainment among yourselves. If on the other hand you are interested in a strictly commercial way, you can organize your respective trade or line,

select the exposition ship desired and make application for space, location and quarters, that there may be no friction in competition.

All rooms in the yacht and all space in the Expedition Ships must be engaged and contracted for before construction; books for engagements of same will be opened soon.

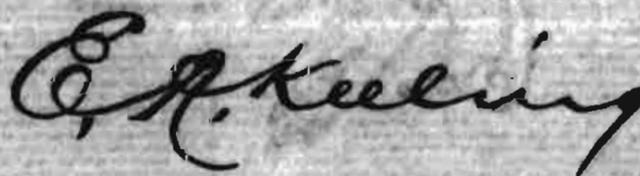
Who is to become a part of this corporation? The answer is that you are solicited to become an incorporator and thus lend your moral assistance if you so desire, it being optional with you whether you subscribe for any stock or not. No personal liability attached to any director or stockholder beyond the amount of stock subscribed for. An executive committee to be composed of the largest stock and bond holders will contract for the construction of the yacht and exposition ships, and assume all risk and management. There is no doubt after starting this movement that our own people will be encouraged to build vessels to meet the increased demand for transportation and that our flag will be seen in all parts of the World.

As it is desirable to have a Director and one Vice-President for each State, we would be pleased to have any one make known their willingness to serve as such, which shall be treated confidentially if so requested.

The life and success of this movement does not depend upon the men who agree to raise the means for the enterprise but rather upon the patriotic public as well as upon the people who are thus afforded the opportunity. The yacht and ships are merely vehicles by which our social-political and commercial leaders may make our country assume the importance and grandeur we deserve among the galaxy of nations. The exposition ships a means of opening up new markets for our products whether of the soil or factory, the yacht auxiliary thereto.

It has not been determined which port or city the headquarters of the proposed corporation will be located. This will depend entirely upon the advantages, conditions and inducements offered.

We beg you to give this your careful consideration, and favor us with a reply at your earliest convenience, addressing all communications to



Temporary Secretary.

(for the proposed)

AMERICAN EXPEDITION ASSOCIATION,

Care Sherman Bank,

New York City.

December 7th, 1895.

His Excellency,
James Sheakley, Governor,
Sitka, Alaska
Gentlemen:

Referring to a recent communication on the subject of Foreign Commerce and the need of some plan or measure to facilitate and encourage a more social and intimate relation with the individual people of foreign nations, to the end that we may be better enabled to introduce our products in a far more extensive and profitable manner than ever heretofore attempted, will say:

We addressed the Governors of the States, Mayors of Cities, Commercial Organizations, and leading social people throughout the country. The answers received are most gratifying and satisfactory, very few failing so far to reply, showing plainly that the commercial bodies, State and municipal executives and leading citizens are alive to this question and realize to a man that for continued prosperity we must extend our influence both socially and commercially beyond the borders of the United States.

The answers demonstrate the need of, emphasize the desire for, and a willingness to co-operate with and support any legitimate movement to the end in view; but indicate a demand for two separate and distinct plans, each having the same ultimate object in view, but to be accomplished through different channels.

The two plans referred to are First: For a plan that will lead to a more social and intimate relation with the leading individual people of foreign countries. To carry into effect this proposition it is proposed to construct a magnificent steam yacht for the sole purpose of furnishing a conveyance with commodious living apartments for a commission to be composed of our official and representative citizens, both social and political, who shall visit foreign countries as semi-official delegates. The power appointing these delegates not to be vested alone in the President of the United States, but also in Governors of States, Mayors of Cities, commercial bodies and social organizations.

Said commission going as a representative body with the cloak of diplomacy and commercial pursuits entirely and actually thrown off, would assume strictly a social and political feature and thus receive a recognition not usually extended any individual or business organization. In this way the yacht expedition becomes a social affair for the purpose of entertaining and becoming more intimate and better acquainted with the representative individual people of foreign countries. This would put us in a stronger light than heretofore before the leading countries of the world as a political, social and intellectual people.

The many valued personal acquaintances made upon this extended trip, will at a later day enable the social and political people of our country to introduce and to otherwise interest their new made acquaintances with our commercial and manufacturing advantages.

the only question now is, whether or not the business people of the country want to take advantage of such an opportunity.

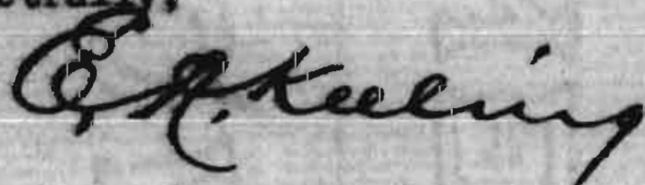
Mr. Frances B. Thurber, Chairman of the Committee on Foreign Commerce in his report of October 1st, 1895, to the NEW YORK CHAMBER OF COMMERCE strikes the key note when he says:-

"Thus far our increase in population and wealth in this country has measurably kept consumption on a parity with production, but evidences are not lacking that this state of things cannot continue. If we would keep step to the music of the times, and keep our labor and capital remuneratively employed, we must bear in mind the wants of the other thirteen hundred and seventy millions of people who constitute the population of the world - both natural and creative or educational wants. x x x If we are true to our traditions and appreciative of our opportunities, the United States will lead the world in the race for commercial supremacy."

We do not now, neither do we intend to ask a dollar from you, we simply write this with a view of interesting you in this movement, to invoke your valuable influence and co-operation and to solicit from you any suggestions you may be pleased to submit as to how we may best reach the end in view.

Hoping this will meet with a favorable consideration and that we will be honored with a prompt response, we are,

Very respectfully,



Temporary Secretary.

Address Care Sherman Bank,
874 Broadway,
New York City.

THE OIL CITY DERRICK.

P. C. BOYLE, PRESIDENT.

LARGEST CIRCULATION IN THE OIL REGIONS

OIL CITY, PA. Feby. 27th, 95.189

Gov. James Sheakley,
Sitka, Alaska.

My dear Governor:-

I enclose two articles from the New York Sun newspaper. One of which is short and neat, being somewhat incisive and reproachful, so to speak, of itself and the acts of one Rev. Dr. Sheldon Jackson. The other, an article on Reindeer and Education, in which a poem in the vernacular of the Eskimo tongue is reproduced with more or less comment. The poem is marked with a blue pencil. The Sun says, speaking of this poem and its own connection of the matter, "that it is not fit to print in any respectable newspaper." This has led your old Pithole friends to infer that it would be acceptable literature for the Archives of the Swordsmen Club. As Librarian of the Club, and the custodian of its literature, I enclose the articles in question with the request, made without the Club's seal, but with the knowledge and consent of its leading members, that the same be literally translated and the translation returned to this office for filing with the other papers of great educational value in our peerless library. An early reply, anxiously awaited.

With renewed expressions of continued regard,
I am,

Very truly yours,

P. C. Boyle

"R. C. S."

HENRY W. MELLEN
ATTORNEY AT LAW

Juneau, Alaska, July, 16, 1897.

Hon. J. G. Brady,
Sitka Alaska.

Dear Sir:--

Mrs. Timmins has asked me to write to you, asking you to write a letter to the president, asking a pardon for her husband, which I consent to do, for the reasons in it expressed. At the same time I hesitate as you are quite well posted on the history of Juneau, yourself. But know you will not object to my writing my opinions. I am clearly of the opinion that the sentence was too heavy, likely for the reason that at the date of the trial it was proven that the bullet entered the head and was still lodged there which time has proven to be an error, and that the wound was not in fact a dangerous one. I am of the opinion that the punishment should have been under two years and not over, and as Mr. Timmins has been punished now over two years he should be pardoned, in justice to himself and his wife and child.

Respectfully,

Henry W. Mellen

International Gold Mining Convention to be held in Denver, JULY 7, 8, and 9, 1897.

ROBT. F. HUNTER,
CHAIRMAN.

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Office: Miners National Bureau
of Information, 1709 to 1713 California St.

Denver, Colo., June 12th, 1897

To His Excellency

The Governor of Alaska.

My dear Sir;-

On behalf of the Committee on "Lode and Placer Mining" of the International Gold Mining Convention, to be held in Denver July 7th 8th and 9th, 1897, I have the honor to respectfully suggest to your Excellency, that the State Geologist of your State, if you have any, be invited and requested to contribute a paper on the Economic Gold and General Mining Resources of your State, to be read to the Convention and published in the report thereafter.

If the State Geologist is absent or unable to comply, would you kindly name some other scientific gentleman to write the paper and represent the State?

Very respectfully,

Irwin Mahon
Secretary.

Dict.

H. A. BRADFORD,
President.

LLOYD POSEY,
Vice-President.

O. H. VIOLET,
Sect'y & Treas.

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REAL ESTATE
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The New Orleans Home Investment Co. Limited

MAIN OFFICE:—ROOM 11, MASONIC TEMPLE,

TELEPHONE 303.

New Orleans, La. March 20th. 189—

Hon. James Sheakley,

Sitka, Alaska.

My Dear Governor.

Accept our sincere thanks for courtesies received, as well as your proffer of welcome should we reach your city this summer. Permit us to assure you we shall do ourselves the honor of calling on you should we be fortunate enough to get there. Your experience with the climate when in New Orleans was as novel to most of our citizens as to yourself.

We are pressing negotiations with both rail and S.S. lines for the transportation of parties in car-load lots to Alaska and return and the moment they are concluded we will settle upon a schedule of dates and advertise.

Anticipating the pleasure of a personal interview we remain.

Yours Very Sincerely,

O. H. Violet
Lloyd Posey

H. A. BRADFORD,
President.

LLOYD POSEY,
Vice-President.

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TELEPHONE 303.

New Orleans, January 27th 1897

Governor of Alaska
Sillier Alaska Inc

Report sent
Jan 19 97

Dear Sir knowing no one to whom we could apply we venture to address you and ask you to cause to be forwarded us some reports on the characteristic features of the State of Alaska its resources climatic features etc etc we have heard of a report of this nature issued by Gov Swainford but presume there are more recent and exhaustive ones in existence which we would be glad to get It is not improbable that a party will be made up in this city next summer to visit Alaska and if so we will be of the number at all events we would deem it a special favor if you would cause us to be furnished with the information we desire

Pardon us for the intrusion and accept our thanks in advance for any thing in line that you may be able to furnish

Yours Very Respectfully
Lloyd Posey
O. H. Violet

THE RUSSIAN ECCLESIASTICAL

Consistory of Alaska,

25 day of November 1896
2 Dec 1896

San Francisco, California

No. 1339

1715 Powell Street

To the Governor
of Alaska,

His Excellency
James Sheakley.

Dear Sir:

The Russian Ecclesiastical Consistory of Alaska has the honor to inform you that His Eminence, the Right Reverend Nicholas, Bishop of Alaska, has issued orders to the Reverend Clergy of Alaska, requesting them to hold special Divine Service on the day set by Your Excellence as a day for public thanksgivings to God.

For the Consistory

Rev. V. Kamnoff.

Umanah, 28 May 1897.

Hon James Scheakly!
Governor of Alaska -

Sir!

We have now been here about one and a half week, and have everything ready for the steamer to come. We have made a raft 30' x 50' for the lumber, and in consultation with Mr. Austin staked out the lot. The ground is not so wide as you said, so we done the best we could and it will look good too. The vestibule will be about 3'6" back from en line drawn from the corners of store and church, the back of woodshed will probably clear highwater, the w.c. will be over the creek with a bridge leading to the two of them (see sketch). Mr Austin is as perfect a Gentleman, as I ever

met, he has just bought a fine sloop
"May Flower" from Funau, and we
are helping him fixing it up, I have
promised him four turnbuckles &
for the rigging, and if you Fred
kindly will see Ole or A. Solberg
to bring them to you, - they are in a
box upstairs in the house, and have
it sent and addressed to Reverend
L. F. Jones - Funau. Letters to here
in the care of Reverend A. C.
Austin Funau, so will you
kindly let me know who, when
an Inspector is appointed. Mr.
Austin send you his best regard.
Hoping you will excuse the faults

in my writing, if I do not express
myself correctly to the Governor
and thanking you for all your
favours I remain

respectfully-

Peter Smey-

P.S.

the steamer now ^{here} and unloading.
Mr James Shields has been appointed
Inspector, please speak to him
about the workshed that was to
be changed, with a slanting roof.
If I get no chance to write to
him, tell him to be here about
middle of July
respectfully
P. Smey

F. H. Green, Pres.
Geo. A. Gott, Sec'y.
A. S. Wadleigh, Supt.

North Pacific

Trading and Packing Co.

San Francisco Office,
322 Pine Street.

Klawack, Alaska, April 28th 1897

Hon. James Sheakley

Dear Sir,

There is a lady friend of my wife staying with us here in Klawack, who wants to make application for a school in Alaska, and we don't just know how to go about it. She is a graduate of the Oregon State Normal School, and has taught there for 3 years, and has first-class certificate, and 101 recommendations.

We have heard informally that there may soon be a vacancy at Kooncan, and she would very much like to obtain it. It would oblige us very much indeed if you would kindly inform us what is necessary to be done and how to go about it. With best regards
Yours Resp't W. F. Swift

F. H. Green, Pres.
Geo. A. Gott, Sec'y.
A. S. Wadleigh, Supt.

North Pacific

Trading and Packing Co.

San Francisco Office,
322 Pine Street.

Barwack, Alaska, April 9th 1897

Gov. James Sheakly.

Dear Sir.

Last December
you sent the vouchers for the pay of our
policeman Lunnai, which I had signed
and returned, but up to date his check
has not arrived, and he is anxious
about it, fearing it may have been
lost. Will you kindly inform me if
it has been sent yet, and if not, when
he may expect it.

All well here. Wadleigh arrived from
San Francisco yesterday.

Best regards &c,

Yours Truly,

H. F. Swift

U. S. Steamer "Pinta",
Sitka, Alaska, Feby 2^d 1897.

Sir:

I respectfully acknowledge the receipt of your communication of the 1st inst., in which you so courteously express acknowledgements for services rendered by this command in response to your request of the 26th of January.

Please accept the assurance of my appreciation, and thanks for your very thoughtful courtesy.

Respectfully yours

B. W. Lyman

Lieut. Comdr U.S.N., Comdg

His Excellency

Governor James Shakhay

at Sitka, Al.

THE TRANS-MISSISSIPPI COMMERCIAL CONGRESS.

WILLIAM JENNINGS BRYAN, PRESIDENT, Lincoln, Nebraska.

HENRY R. WHITMORE, CHAIRMAN EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE, St. Louis, Mo.

W. H. CULMER, SEC'Y & TREAS. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE, Salt Lake City.

Salt Lake City, Utah, April 16, 1897. 7

Gov. Jas. Sheakley,

Sitka, Alaska.

Dear Sir:-

The Executive Committee of the Trans-Mississippi Congress have decided to convene the next session at Salt Lake City, Utah, July 14th Next.

You are a member of this Executive Committee and Vice President for Alaska. You have associated with you as committeemen Messrs. J. O. Green and E. D. Sylvester of Golvine Bay and Sitka.

The Trans-Mississippi Commercial Congress is designed to be a vast influential body, and to make it such, it must be representative of all State and Sections and all commercial organizations west of the Mississippi. The committee desire to accomplish this much more effectively this year than has been done in any previous congress. It can be done, but it will require your prompt and willing assistance. To this end, I am instructed by Chairman H. R. Whitmore to advise you of the date of meeting, and for your information to outline the plan of obtaining a full and influential delegation. Also to ask of you and your State committee your earnest co-operation and assistance in disseminating information in your State that shall lead to a thorough representation in the congress.

It will be necessary, First: To organize your State committee; personally if possible, otherwise by mail. Select one member who will pledge himself to obtain the name and address of the Executive Officer of each county, city and commercial organization in your State at once and forward a copy of this list to secretary.

Second: Forward the name and address of this committeeman to this office.

Third: Your committeeman, on receipt from this office of blank petitions of appointment will fill out and promptly forward same to such appointive officers. This petition should contain a plea from yourselves as citizens of the State asking this executive favor.

Fourth: The secretary, on receipt of committeeman's list will himself communicate with such appointive officers and in the name of the Congress will urge a prompt compliance with your committeemen's request. On receipt of information from such appointive officers, the delegates who shall have been appointed will have forwarded to them from this office blanks notifying them of their appointment and all information concerning programme, transportation, hotels, entertainment, etc., and a blank for them to sign of formal acceptance and promise to attend.

Fifth: Forward to the newspapers of your State such matter as will be sent to you from this office and use your influence to cause the publication of same, together with any other public notice your judgment will suggest. Anticipating favorable support and an early reply from you,

I am,

Very respectfully yours,

W. H. Culmer,

SECRETARY.

P. S. Whatever expense your committeeman incurs for postage will be returned from this office if desired.

Skien, Norway, March 14th 1896.

His Excellency,
James Speakey,
Governor of Alaska.

Sir:

Your favour of Dec. 27th 1895
is thankfully received together
with the newspaper, which speaks
about the shipwreck of the schooner
C. G. White and the death of my
dear son O. W. Backey.

I thank you very much for
your sympathy, and believe me
to be,

very sincerely yours,

J. U. Backe
Baptist Minister.

North American Commercial Co.
Wells Building San Francisco

St Paul Island

July 26th

1895

Dear Governor Sheakley:

When this note comes to you I shall probably have reached San Francisco. From there I shall go almost directly to Mentor, Ohio. By October first I shall be at my winter home, #1318 Mass. Av., Washington, D.C. I write now to say that, as your. whitom staff officer, I shall be happy to render you any service which may lie in my power while at the capital.

With pleasant memories of your stay at the islands I remain

Very Truly yours

Stanley Brown

Gov James Sheakley
Sitka, Alaska

E. L. Colman, Pres.,
Dan T. Cole,
F. J. Chadbourne, } Commissioners.

Howard C. Holmes,
Chief Engineer.

Fred L. Ford,
Attorney.

BOARD OF

J. J. Keegan,
Secretary.

Wm. L. Cole,
Assistant Secretary.

State Harbor Commissioners,

No. 10 California Street.

San Francisco, July 28th 1896

Hon James Sheakley
Governor of Alaska
Dear Sir

This will introduce
to your favorable acquaintance Mr Robert
McMurray of San Francisco.

Mr McMurray is an old time
Nevada County miner and visits
your Territory with a party on a
pleasure excursion

Any courtesie
extended to him and his friends
will be duly appreciated by your
old time friend

Frank G. Beatty

Office of
Special Agent Treasury Department,

St Paul, Alaska

July 23rd, 1895.

Hon. James Shearley

Governor of Alaska

Nitka Alaska.

My dear Governor - Col J. Murray
Made application to me today
for one fur seal skin to send
you. I am indeed sorry I can
not comply with the request
but department orders direct
me where rejected skins must go.
I will take pleasure in procuring
permission from the Department
at Washington this winter to
provide you with a good sample
skin the coming season.
When it will be my pleasure

Office of
Special Agent Treasury Department,

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to do you the kindest. I hope to
come via Sitka, on my way
home this fall, that I may be
able to see something of Eastern
Alaska. The sealing season
is nearing an end we will
take close to 15,000 seals.

I am Respectfully Yours
Jos B. Crowley
Special Treas. Capt.

OFFICE OF ASSISTANT SECRETARY
69 CULMER BLOCK,

THE TRANS-MISSISSIPPI COMMERCIAL CONGRESS.

GEO. Q. CANNON, PRESIDENT, Salt Lake City.
HENRY B. WHITMORE, CHAIRMAN EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE, St. Louis, Mo.
W. H. CULMER, SEC'Y & TREAS. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE, Salt Lake City.

Salt Lake City, Utah, Nov. 9th, 1895.

Gov. J. Sheakley

Sir,

Alaska.

My dear Sir:

I had the honor of addressing you last December, informing you of your election as a member of the Executive Committee of this Congress. In the same communication I advised you of the proceedings of a meeting held by the Committee in St. Louis, wherein an assessment was levied on each member of the Committee, for a fund to defray expense of stationary, postage stamps etc. of this office, and requested a remittance from you of this amount. Only 25 members out of 76 responded to the Call. Consequently I have been obliged to bear personally the cost of carrying out the directions of the Committee.

I am requested by our Chairman to call your attention to this fact, believing you have unintentionally omitted paying the assessment, and that you will now respond.

Trusting you are engaged in working up a large delegation for the next session which meets in Omaha on the 25th inst. I am

Very respectfully yours,

W. H. Culmer,
ASSISTANT SECRETARY.

Nov. 25th, 1895

Gov. J. Sherman

THE TRANS-MISSISSIPPI COMMERCIAL CONGRESS.

Objects. The objects of the Trans-Mississippi Commercial Congress are to secure such National Legislation as shall promote the interests of the States and Territories lying west of the Mississippi River; to increase reciprocal trade among them; to cultivate a fraternal feeling among the various commercial bodies represented; to bring together, each year, the prominent and influential members of these widely scattered communities, in order that their views may be known and discussed, with the purpose of uniting upon such recommendations and plans as shall seem best calculated to promote the general welfare.

Meetings. Its meeting is held once each year at some prominent city west of the Mississippi River, attended by delegates appointed as follows:

Representation The Governor of any State or Territory may appoint ten delegates; the Mayor of each city one delegate, and an additional delegate for each five thousand inhabitants; provided, however, that no city shall have more than ten delegates; each county may appoint one delegate through its Executive officer; every business organization one delegate, and an additional delegate for every fifty members, provided, however, that no such organization shall be entitled to more than ten delegates.

Discussions. At these meetings any question affecting the welfare of the territory represented may be introduced and discussed, and any resolutions adopted are regarded as expressive of the sentiments of the Congress, and are used to influence National Legislation in favor of them.

Character and scope of the Congress. The Congress is steadily gaining in popular favor, and becoming more and more influential as the ability and representative character of its delegates become known, and the integrity of its purpose is recognized. Other great commercial bodies are being merged into it, until now it is beginning to be regarded as second only in importance to the National Congress.

It is entirely non-political, non-sectarian and non-sectional, except that it deals only with those questions of special importance to the Trans-Mississippi States and Territories.

Organization. Its organization consists of a President, a Vice-President from each State and Territory, a Secretary and Assistant Secretary, and an Executive Committee consisting of two members from each State and Territory.

Duties of Executive Committee. The Executive Committee elects its own Chairman, Secretary and Treasurer. Its duty is to carry on the work of the Congress between its sessions; to fix the time of its meetings and make arrangements for the same; to awaken an interest among the people of their respective States or Territories, secure the hearty co-operation of the business organizations, and the attendance of full delegations at each meeting, to co-operate with the Chairman and Secretary in their work, and take such steps as they may deem proper to bring the actions of the Congress to the attention of the United States Congress and urge the adoption of the measures which it may approve.

Expenses. The funds of the Congress may be used to defray the necessary expenses thus incurred, provided, however, that in no case shall such expenses be incurred unless the funds are in hand to meet them.

Annual dues. In order to provide for such expenses, the annual dues for membership are as follows: From every business organization the sum of ten dollars, which entitles it to one delegate, and five dollars for each additional delegate. Any delegate appointed by the Governor of any State or Territory, the Mayor of any city, or the Executive officer or officers of any county shall pay five dollars.

National Transit Company
United Pipe Lines Division

J. R. Campbell,
Treasurer

Oil City, Pa. March 3rd 1896

Hon Jas Sheatly
Governor

My Dear Sir

You may possibly recall my name as connected with the old firm of Vanduynt & Forman and since then as a minion of the Standard.

I, with some friends in this region are inclined to look after our Uncle Sam's possessions in the North West but we are ignorant as to the best way to reach there - Can you advise as to best route from Oil City to Alaska generally and Sitka in particular - also the most desirable time to make the journey - and any other particulars that would be valuable or interesting to the intending travelers.

Truly yours

J. R. Campbell

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1896

Dent letter

New York, Ontario & Western Railway Company.

Office of the President.

56 Beaver Street,

Thomas Powell Fowler,
President.

New York, November 11th 1895.

Hon. James Sheakley:
Sitka,
Alaska:

My dear Governor:

I received this morning, a copy of your Thanksgiving Proclamation, for which I am very much obliged. It is pleasant to be remembered in this way and I assure you that I appreciate your thoughtfulness.

With best wishes for your health and prosperity, I am,

Very truly yours,

T. P. Fowler

Organized 1893.

Capital \$500,000.

The Fidelity Trust & Guaranty Company,

OF BUFFALO, N. Y.

Geo. T. Ferman, President.
T. L. M. Farland, Secretary.

Buffalo, N. Y. April 7th 1894

Hon James Sheakley

My Dear Sir. I have just mailed you a paper giving Mr Satterfued's death, which you will be very sorry to hear. He died in Paris away from all his family.

I am thinking of going up to Alaska this summer with one of my boys and stopping over from one boat till the next there. How are the accommodations at the hotel; could one be comfortable? I never felt exactly satisfied with our short stop there and my son was very fond of the trip altogether. I presume one could find very excellent fishing. I am pleased to hear of your success & wish you and yours well.

Yours very truly
George T. Ferman



Clear, N.Y. Oct 10th 1889

James W. Sheakley Esq

Dear Sir.

I have just received from you a copy of the Governor's report of Alaska for which I thank you. It is quite interesting reading. Mrs Forman and I have thought of Mrs Sheakley and yourself many times and hope you are both very well. We had a delightful and safe trip home over the Canadian Pacific. I have not seen Mr Satterfield since my return, they came home from Europe a week or so ago. Mr Taylor has gone over again.

I have been trying to find something in the way of papers of interest to mail you. Oil is about 1.00. We shall always remember with pleasure our trip to Alaska. I have the case and carry it when I go out evenings. With kind remembrances to Mrs Sheakley from Mrs F. and myself I am
Very truly Yours
George V. Forman

... Asylum of ...
Mt. Calvary Commandery No. 67,
Knights Templar.

Greenville, Pa., April 23, 1897.

There will be a special conclave of Mt. Calvary Commandery No. 67, Knights Templar, Thursday evening, April 29, 1897, in the Asylum, at 7:30 o'clock, at which time the officers-elect for the ensuing Templar year will be publicly installed by Eminent Sir John C. Qwsley, Division Commander. Yourself and ladies are courteously invited to be present. Sir Knights will appear in full Templar uniform.

By order of

Calvin R. Beatty,

Eminent Commander.

Attest:

Orson A. Carlin,
Recorder.

Modesto Cal. Mar 30th 1886
Gov. James Sheakley
Sitka Al Per.

Dear Friend:

Mr Loukin
has paid me some time since \$1000.00 as
partial payment of the purchase price of
the land belong to your brothers estate.
Mr Bentley the administrator has
filed his final account and I
advance to him out of said \$1000.00
the following sums \$340.00 for tombstone
\$500.00 attorneys fees and \$232.20 balance
of his commissions making in all
\$622.80 and the court settled his
account and award a decree of distri-
bution. There is now a balance
to be divided among the heirs of \$377.80
after deducting my fees and expenses,
which I have put in at \$45.00 I have
paid for looking up title, recorders

less Notary fees out of said
\$45.00 my charges.

You are entitled to one fourth
of the balance. Enclosed you will
find a receipt to be sign by you
for the same. Send this receipt
~~to the~~ ^{signed} First National Bank of
Modesto, Cal. and the money
will be sent you.

I am sorry that a larger amt.
could not be realized on this
payment to the ~~other~~ heirs, but
the next payment will be of
some magizitude compared with this.

With kind wishes to
you I am

Yours Truly
R. H. Griffin

San Francisco cal

Oct 7th 1894

Hon James Shearley
Sittka
Alaska.

Dear Sir:-

I herewith send you
two Circular letters announcing the
date of the next meeting of the
Trans Mississippi Commercial Congress.

I sent you copy of the proceedings of
the last Congress held in San Francisco
last February. This is an opportunity
for Alaska to be heard and I hope
you will see that the Territory is well
represented. Please hand copy of these
letters to the Judges and others in
the District.

Yours Truly

J. C. Green

of Executive Committee

* 401. California St

Jackson

Alaska

June 16-94.

Dear Gov.

I do not like to trouble you with our crops but knowing your interest in the Common-wealth I write from no selfish motive. The peace and good order of our community do not improve. I will not trouble you to read reports of the latest, could write details in part if they would do any good.

A change of teacher for the Pub. School was suggested last year, and has ^{not} been again this year as a complaint against the incumbent. But as a means to accomplish other

important ends.

The change need not be detrimental to the service, nor unjust to the ones long in charge. You understand my peculiar trials in this connection.

I understand my sister Miss M. (sister) recently transferred from here to Geneva to be assistant Matron in the Willard Home, is anxious her sister Clara to transfer to the Pub School there.

I think my son who is competent, musical and master of the Hydash tongue would accept the place for a year here. We have not given him a word of encouragement in the matter as we do not

do up it:-

Mr. Loomis who came with me last year is an earnest efficient Teacher interested in the native people and I am sure is glad of the place but I have not discussed the matter with her.

I only drop these things for your information if you care for it:-

Several items need adjustment here I think you could quite benefit the community by seeing us for a few days, I would hope you might have with you an Officer competent to administer oaths and to judge minor cases.

Our policeman has been ridiculed and in a

Measure discouraged if
not intimidated.

You could caution
any who would hinder his
efficiency and encourage him.

Perhaps I have
troubled you quite far
enough.

Mr James Miller is
competent to give you in-
formation in regard to some
elements of discord in our
community.

With thanks for former
kindnesses I remain

Respectfully yours

J. Louis Gault.

Kluwack Alaska

May 38 '94

Gov. Sheakley
Dear Sir -

I am here for a
brief sojourn. Some things need attention
when Civil Authority, (some in
moral suasion was in a measure
superseceded. now if we have no
representation of Civil Authority,
I think seem to have lost their grip"
Capt. Woodlight says here says
"something must be done."

We expect to write you this
mail and ask if a Dept. U.S.
Mar. Can be appointed for
the West side of Prince of Wales.
If you could be authorized by legis-
lation or from ex. dept. at Washing-
ton to appoint justice, white
constable & native police, we
would have a working force and
it could easily enforce.

In the main we are prosperous
at How can we but one element of
discord. I do not like to trouble
you with matters which seem
personal. I only care where they
affect mission work. The paper is
made on mission ground in addition
to other things which you may
know when you can com-
municate a remedy. Would it be
wise to make change in the pub-
lic school work? Can you
come down early. I do not care
to suggest or take action until
I can see or advise with you.
Something I can & will do.

May I hear from you by return
mail as we expect this steamer
to come into Mullans Friday.
Expect my son to be on board
enroute for home ask for him
if you have time (over)

Hoping you are well & prosperous
& remain very sincerely
yours
L. Loomis Gould

Jackson Alaska
May 18 - 74

Dear Gov:

Papers of Geo Skulthak recd.
Duly received, I return with signature of the
widow who was faithful to him and cared ten-
derly for him through his last illness.

I have also handed Thomas Skulthak his Commission and he promises to do his best. I will be glad if you can visit us this summer, we will be pleased to see you & there are things needed which cannot well be done without you. Some important matters apparently trivial in themselves, but not so in fact & effect. There are good reasons why I might wish to see you early.

Respectfully

J. Loomis Gould

Hydoh Mission

Jackson Alaska

Feb/17/94

Dear Gov.

You were informed in my last letter that Policeman Skull-kah died about the 20th of Sept. The other vouchers in this enclosure may be intended for the Hennegoh Policeman at Tilawack or Lutipian we had the one policeman here I do not know anyone named Thomas Lutipian. Therefore return you both sets of vouchers.

Very Respectfully

J. Louis Gould

Hydoh Mission
Jackson Alaska
Jan, 23-1944

Dear Governor:-

Not to be tedious. May I ask:

Is it worth while to appoint native Policemen where there is no other civil officer?

If you appoint - for the Hydohs can you as well appoint - one for each of the three towns, "Haw-can" "Kling-achin" & "Sub-quahin"

George "Skulthah" our former Policeman has been some four months dead.

Perhaps his brother "Thomas Skulthah" would, all things considered be his most suitable successor. He has asked that he may be appointed

promises fair.

Hoping Congress may
give Alaska some legislation
And that things go well with
you

I remain very
Respectfully
J. Loomis Gould

Hydoh Mission
Jackson Alaska
Nov. 10. 93.

My dear Gov.

I hope this may find you in as goodly a degree of physical comfort as it leaves us.

We are moving on. The young people whom I brought— are contented and helpful.

About the present and prospective peace and harmony of the Community I can not so pleasantly or confidently affirm.

Young Petty, who was with me at your house felt constrained, a few days ago to slap McLeod's jaw and boot his bottom. We learn M'haa sent letters for an official to come and make an arrest or arrests. Some one has certainly done much injudicious talk to the natives. They are easily excited not judicious in their actions and we know not what a day may bring forth. We have no assurance of a day of peace. M' indulges

in threats of what he will do and
of what the Hydras will do.

I only know one ^{"white"} man here who
will as I think provoke or encourage
an assault, or suggest such things
to the natives.

This much I think you should know
much more I might write.

kindest regards to Pickensough
Fred. and the good mistress of the Suber-
matonial mansion.

Respectfully

J. Loomis Gould

Nov 30th 93.

Since writing the within
a small schooner has been in
this vicinity selling whiskey
to the natives, and some mis-
chief is resulting from it.

a native has from him. The
Smuggler Johnston, liquor and is
now selling to the people.

The place prospect is not in
the least improved

U. S. Revenue Cutter Service,
OFFICE OF
Superintendent of Construction and Repair,
APPRAISER'S BUILDING,

San Francisco, Cal., April 2^d, 1896.

Hon James Shrankley.

Governor of Alaska.

My dear Sir.

As it is nearly time for me to
start north again I will write you a
few words to tell you of my plans
so far as they are formulated at present
and thank you for the "Report" which
came in hand some time ago and which
I have read with much pleasure. In
view of all the "drunk scandals" that
we have had this winter your testimony
that we refer sober on the fourth of July
is duly appreciated I thank you for the
report and for the friendly expressions
contained therein. I speak in such

U. S. Revenue Cutter Service,
OFFICE OF
Superintendent of Construction and Repair,
APPRAISER'S BUILDING,

San Francisco, Cal., 189 .

Sitka before the middle of May and remain
until about the end of the month, when I will
go West and make my head quarters on shore at
Nualaska or Duluth Harbor. I like my "shore
job" very much. Our old friend Shady is
still on the Cape Horn Seal, nothing definite
has been made known yet with reference
to his case. With best wishes for your
haulib. My kindest regards to you and
Mrs Shattley and all friends.

I am very truly yours

J. L. Harper

Capt RC

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108 SUPERIOR ST.
(WADE BUILDING)
CABLE ADDRESS: "HILANDS"
TELEPHONE NO 321

Cleveland, O. Oct. 18th, 1893.

Hon. Jas. Scheakley.

Sitka,

Alaska.

Dear Sir:-

I have noticed by the Greenville paper of your appointment as Governor of Alaska and I was very glad to hear of it. I am handling a great many gold mining properties at the present time. I have just sold one in South Dakota to some Youngstown parties and we have another one that we are working in Arizona. At any time that you come across any good properties up in that country that you think it would pay to investigate I would be pleased if you would have the parties write me sending me all particulars in regard to same. I have been up to your country. I stopped at a place called Juneau it is opposite Douglas Island where the great "Treadwell" mine is and am thinking of going up there again next summer. If Fred is there have him write me.

Hoping this finds you and your family in the best of health, I remain

Yours Very Truly,

W. J. Hilands



The Board of Directors
requests the honour of the presence of
Hon James Sheastey
at the
Opening Ceremonies
of the
Cotton States and International Exposition.
Wednesday, September the eighteenth, 1895.
Atlanta, Georgia.

Juneau Alaska
July 16 1897

His Excellency the Governor of Alaska,

Sitka Alaska.

Sir:

I hope you will pardon me for taking the liberty of writing, for I assure you it is only that the object is of so much importance to me that I do so on this subject. I write to ask if you will be kind enough to write a letter to the President asking a pardon for my husband. At the same time I do not ask you to do so if you think by writing such a letter you are doing the Territory an injury, which I know is your duty to protect.

I suppose you know my husband and
about the case. I have talked to the
people here, and believe they
think his sentence was too heavy
for the offence. I would not have
objected to his imprisonment if it
had been one year, but I do think
he has ^{run} just long enough.

I have asked Judge
Gullen to write to you also, and
he has promised to do so. I want
a letter to send to the President,
on his mail. I have already sent
letters from Mr Howell, Mr Duncan
and Mr Maloney, and want to
mail others from Mr Behrens,
Judge Gullen, Mr Sylvester and
some from other officials, on
the ~~mail~~ ^{mail}.

I have poor health
and have a hard time making

a living, as I can get no work
but sewing which is scarce.

Very respectfully

Yours

Mrs John Timmins

Office of the Director General
of the
Cotton States and International Exposition
Piedmont Park, Atlanta, Ga.

Dear Sir:

In behalf of the Board of Directors I have pleasure in transmitting herewith a complimentary card in your favor to the Cotton States and International Exposition, to be held in Atlanta, from September 18th to December 31st 1895, and sincerely hope you may frequently avail yourself of the privileges it affords.

Kindly acknowledge its receipt to the Chief of the Departments of Admissions and Concessions.

Very respectfully,

Hon. James Shearley C. A. Coe
Sittka, Alaska.

Director General.



(Complimentary.)

*(Opening Ceremonies
of the*

Cotton States and International Exposition.

Wednesday, September the eighteenth, 1895;

Atlanta, Georgia.

Witness James Sheasley

C. A. Coe.

President & Director General.

Consulate
of
Sweden & Norway

San Francisco, 23d April 1896

Henry Lund, Consul

His Excellency

James Sheakley

Governor of Alaska.

Sitka, Alaska.

Hon. Sir:-

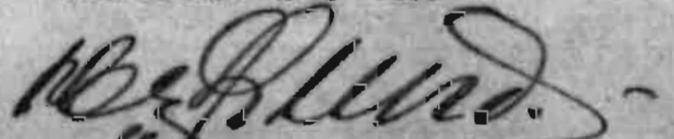
I have been requested by the Swedish Government to get full and reliable information regarding a rumor of the killing by Indians of a Swede by the name of Viktor Ryberg, who for several years had been working for the guano factory at Killisnoo Alaska, and if the rumor proved to be true to ascertain if he left any inheritance, that could be claimed by his heirs in the old Country, and it is to ask your kind assistance in this matter that I today have taken this liberty.

Hoping you will kindly give it your attention, and thanking you in anticipation

I have the Honor to be

Your Excellency's

obedient Servant



Consul of Sweden and Norway

Consulate
of
Sweden & Norway
San Francisco, 3 June 1896.
Henry Lund, Consul.

To His Excellency
James Heakley
Governor of Alaska
Sitka

Sir:

Your valued favor of 23^d ult came
to hand today and I hereby beg to thank you very
much for the information furnished me re: Victor Ryberg,
and for your kindness in so promptly attending to the matter.

Yours very respectfully

H. Lund

Consul of Sweden & Norway

CONSOLATO GENERALE

DI
S. M. IL RE D'ITALIA.

N. di Prot. Gen. 698

San Francisco, Calif.,

June 24 1896

His Excellency,

The Governor of

Alaska

at

Sitka

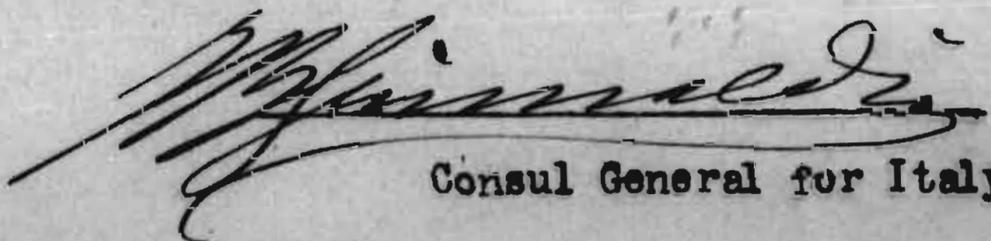
Dear Sir:--

I beg to inform your Excellency that departing tomorrow for Italy on leave of absence, I have been authorized by my Government to appoint DOCTOR JOSEPH PESCIA as Acting Consul General for Italy during my absence, or until my Government shall have disposed otherwise.

In thanking your Excellency for the support you gave me in the fulfillment of my official duties, I beg of you to extend in the future the same to Dr. Pescia.

I have the honor to be of your Excellency,

Most obedient servant,



Consul General for Italy

21st January 1896.

Sir:-

I have been informed that a young Japanese workman was assassinated at Douglass a short while since, while asleep in his cabin, being shot through the back by a Winchester rifle.

May I beg that you will have the goodness to furnish me with the particulars of this affair and, in the event of the offenders being brought to trial, that you will inform me of the decision of the court?

I should be very much obliged if you would have the workman's name written for me in Japanese characters by some of his fellow-countrymen, of whom I presume there must be several in Douglass.

Awaiting the favor of your early reply,

I am, Sir,

Yours very respectfully,

Miki Saito

H. I. Japanese Majesty's Consul.

To His Excellency
The Governor of Alaska.

SWELDON JACKSON,
General Agent of
Education for Alaska.

Department of the Interior,
Bureau of Education,
ALASKA DIVISION,

Washington, D. C., March 23d, 1896.

Mr. Fred. E. Sheakley,

Sitka, Alaska.

Dear Sir:

Please say to Messrs Shields and Smeby that the deed for the lot on Douglass Island has been received, but may have to be sent back for a change. I presume it will be a month or six weeks yet before we can say, go ahead, with the building. We are as anxious at this end as they are in Alaska for the work to commence.

Much obliged for the information about the increased frequency of steamers running to Sitka. Remember me very kindly to your parents.

Very truly yours,

Sweldon Jackson

My dear Mr. Sheakley:

Thank you very much for your letter with regard to my camera. It has not turned up yet, but I suppose it will surprise me one of these days. With kind regards, Very truly yours,

SHELDON JACKSON,
General Agent of
Education for Alaska.

Department of the Interior,
Bureau of Education,

ALASKA DIVISION,

Washington, D. C., March 9th, 1896.

Governor James Sheakley,

Sitka, Alaska.

Dear Governor:

Your letter of February 25th is received. I will try to get over to the Secretary of the Interior to-day and have things arranged so that Mr. Shields and Mr. Smeby can go to work on the Douglass Island school house whenever they are ready.

I hope that you are all well; I expect to see you upon my arrival in Sitka the last of May.

Vice-President Stevenson has invited me to spend this evening with his family, talking over the Alaska trip, which they seemed to have enjoyed very much. With kind regards to Mrs. Sheakley and Fred, I remain,

Very respectfully yours,

Sheldon Jackson

The Secretary of the Interior has taken the deed of the Alaska Mexican Gold Mining Co under consideration. It is probable that a corrected deed will be sent them for execution, which will probably consume a month or more of time. S. J.

Westminster, Cal,
Aug. 29, 1894

Hon. James Sheekley,
Ditka Alaska,

My dear Friend,
Your letter through
your son and private
box, has been read,

I was away from home
taking a month's vacation
& rest; hence it was delayed
a few days,

Thanks for the
mention of my name and
recommendation to the Board
of Home Missions. Unexpected
& undesired favors are always
more highly appreciated, and
such is this in every sense,

There is not the slightest probability that the Board will ask me to take the appointment; and to decline in advance if they offer would be folly. - There are strong reasons why I would like to go, but at present it is not worth while to mention them nor the difficulties in the way.

We have had a most delightful summer here, no great heat during the day - and sweet cool nights. Fruits abundant and very good here this year, peaches, pears, plums, &c, &c, I wish you could be here to have a taste, -

I hope that long before this reaches you - you shall have recovered from your 'affliction' and that yourself. -
Yours Sincerely,
Wm. Shackley

and your private secretary
will be in the enjoyment of
excellent health

Yours truly
A. C. Jenkins,

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My dear Governor Sheakley;-

I have to thank you for

your report, as Governor of Alaska. Like everything you do, it is well done; and, considering the short time you had to prepare it in, it is extremely well done. I note that your people are satisfied with the Bering Sea arbitration decision. I am glad to see, also, that the denominational mission schools among you, some of which I have personally inspected, are doing such good work.

I have often thought I would like, sometime, when my work here is through, to become a missionary in Alaska. The problem involved in such a course would be much simpler if you were to continue Governor. I shall not soon forget your kindness to me when I visited Alaska, nor your letters to me since.

Hoping to hear from you, if only by a postal-card, when you get time, I am, as ever, Very sincerely your friend,

Wm M. Jefferis.

REV. S. H. KING,

PASTOR OF THE

~~camp~~ LOG CABIN CHURCH, ~~camp~~

JUNEAU CITY,

ALASKA.

Juneau, Alaska, Oct 17th 1893

Hrs Excellency,

Hon. James Shinkley, Governor of Alaska.

Dear Sir and Bro.; I congratulate you and all lovers of order and good justice dealing, officials upon your elevation to the office to which you are well fitted. The articles I committed to writing and verified by Mr Hamilton's help pleased Henry M. Thumberg, "Excellent + to the point," said he in a letter which I prized highly. Now per the letters sent from Juneau by Messrs Hoyt Newell's Malony Blackitt and I fear, Willard (Mrs) - I was transferred to other pastures by order of the Board. Mirabile dictu! Ex Gov Knappsock took a hand in my squabble that I had with Hoyt - over the Coon + Meyers water-melon episode.

On the way to Sitka on board the Lopska - last January -
old Knapp had the nerve to tell me that he had
spoken to the Board in regard to me and urged me to go
slow & further than that to withdraw my personal efforts
& support from his enemy Meyers of the Record. I mentioned
this fact to Bro Brady but put little importance to it -
till I reached the Board's office at 53 Fifth Ave
they said that prominent persons in Alaska had certified
to them that I was following a course detrimental
to the Presbyterian Church - & myself. They would reveal
no names - but from the tenor of their speeches I per-
ceived my friends & foes - as aforesaid. Glad in June
I was ready to start back when I got word that I was to
go to Iowa - & not to Alaska (owing to damaging letters of a
threatening nature received at their office). The brackets
represented their words & reason. I sent in a reply & had
Mr Heid & others get in their counter letters - but with
out avail. I have given up all hope - & have been
defeated by the enemy of the Church - the Public School - & the
Government - making my word on this statement. I am now
nicely located in a little place near Dead Moins - but I
have need of something tangible to offset my bad
literature that may be sent in to this place to my hurt.

REV. S. H. KING,

PASTOR OF THE

LOG CABIN CHURCH,

JUNEAU CITY,

ALASKA.

Juneau, Alaska,

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I want you to send me a nice letter - speak of missionary efforts as highly appreciated, etc. mention especially - the regret that you feel that I am not going to return - to the Alaska Field.

You frame in such a way that it will ring out like a defense against any corrupt articles that the enemy might hurl at us per the press of this place, etc. If Bro. Brody can see his way clear to do the same thing - it will be appreciated by one who has always admired him in his heroic work in the Church militant and Sinner. By the way, I was at expense on your campaign acct in going out of my way a second time to Valparaiso - Ind. to enlist S. Ross Martin - Mem. City Clerk and Jas McFetrich, lumber dealer & politician - and Prof. Kinsey, in bringing his influence to bear on Senator Voorhees, his personal friend, on your behalf. You can recompense me by sending some curio as a

present from yourself or wife to Mr King.
Any small - mailable - article with a nice card attached,
so as to place it in an conspicuous position in our
parlor. You can see yourself how nice a thing this would be
& off set evil darts of the wicked one! Up to date not
a ripple has occurred on the face of the smooth
waters into which we have now drifted, and I hope it
will ever be thus! Indeed I contrast my present home
in peaceful valley, with stormy Alaska - and feel unworthy of
the good things that have fallen to my lot. Think of
the pleasure of a new church regularly officered by Elders & Trustees
A splendid corps of S.S. workers - a brand new parsonage &
located in the midst of farms that flow with milk & honey.
(I wish I could mail you a big fat pumpkin pie).
But, Bro Sheekly, my heart & ambition was set on Alaska.
~~But~~ But Time & plenty to do here - will gradually wear
me from my pet project as the lead of this paper. & in the
end it will be but a distant memory. My best wishes
& prayers go out to you & your estimable wife - for your
good health & successful administration of your Office.
Give my regards to the Broos Austin & Body.

Yours well
yours in Christ.
D. H. King.

Department of the Interior,

EXECUTIVE OFFICE,

Sitka, Alaska, July 23, 1890

Hon James Sheakley

My dear Sir:-

Enclosed is license with open date to be filled by you on receipt of money and bond required, and then delivered to Lynch & Jones. Please send with money and bond, the date of the delivery so that we may enter of record.

Very truly yours

Lyman E. Knapp

Department of the Interior,

EXECUTIVE OFFICE,

Sitka, Alaska, May 12, 1891.

Hon James Sheakley

My dear Judge:— I am today informed that in delivering the licenses to Woodcock & Irvine and Lynch & Jones which I entrusted to you some time last summer, previous to the retirement of Mr Hayden, and which had his signature as Secretary of the territory, you failed to erase his signature, though meanwhile he had ceased to be Secretary. I wish therefore you would now have his name erased. It is only justice to him, especially as there is criticism of the action giving licenses. Though I have no intimation that Mr Hayden complains, he would have a right to do so, I think. Of course no other

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Person is injured by it, if indeed he is.

I hope matters in Wrangell have mended while I was cruising to the westward. I expected to be down there before this time, but you know how the delay happened.

Regards to Mrs Sheakley in which Mrs Knapp joins.

Yours sincerely

Samuel E. Knapp

DISTRICT OF ALASKA,

Executive Office,

Sitka Alaska Oct^r 2. 1890

My dear Judge

Yours with applications received.

Please send three dollars for each — six dollars — to pay recording etc. and the balance is to be expended under the direction of the Road Commissioners, they to give orders on you in payment, the orders to be approved either by the parties furnishing the money or by me, after the work is done. In either case I desire a report of the work done and the money paid out. Dr Jackson is now here and will probably call on you when he goes down next week. Yours truly
Lynnau E. Knapp

District of Alaska,

EXECUTIVE OFFICE,

Sitka, April 5th, 1880.

Hon James Sheakley.

My dear Judge:

Will you please
communicate to the gentlemen
serving on the committee to
designate lands which ought to
be reserved for Government use,
my thanks for their very
satisfactory report. I am sorry
no provision has been made for
payment for services.

Regards to Mrs Sheakley

Yours sincerely

Juan Knapp

Department of the Interior,

EXECUTIVE OFFICE,

Sitka, Alaska, January 30. 1891

Hon James Sheakley

My dear Judge:

Your favor of 25th inst. at hand.
I can give no instruction as to the money
entrusted to you by Messrs Luch & Jones and
Woodcock & Irvine. It was an appointment of
trustee by themselves and I had nothing to say.
I do not know by what authority anyone informed
them that the licenses are revoked since that
matter is entirely in my hands and I have
not revoked the licenses and shall
not do so except for cause.

I will say this however, that ~~if~~ they paid
the money on an understanding that permits
for importations would be granted and the
Collector finds it necessary to refuse

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such permits under the rulings of the department hereafter — whether it will be so or not I am not informed — it would be only fair that such of the money as had not already been expended should be held subject to their order after full information on the subject. I believe they were acting in good faith and I think good faith should be exercised toward them in return. I believe you and every other fairminded person will say that no more money should be expended until it could be done with a full understanding and consent by the parties furnishing it after understanding the situation. Of course I speak unofficially and give only my private opinion.

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I am acting officially only in the matter of granting the licenses and I have no information which requires me to revoke the licenses or in any way change my attitude in regard to the matter. In fact, without an abuse of their privileges, I do not see how I can do otherwise than stand by the position I have taken, nor how anyone can ask me to do so.

Will you, please, show this letter to the Commissioners and to the parties furnishing the money as my answer to them also, as I have so little time to answer my very extensive mail. Regards to Mrs. S.

Yours sincerely

Luman Knapp