

Department of the Interior  
District of Alaska

Office of the Executive

Sitka, Alaska, June 21, 1900.

Hon. M. C. Brown,  
U. S. District Judge,  
Skagway, Alaska.

Dear Sir:

Your letter dated June 16th is received. I am glad that you called my attention to the fact, that it is necessary to take steps in regard to the keeping of the insane. I am ready and willing to act just as soon as I know just what the Law is?

Very respectfully

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Sitka, Alaska, ~~June 21, 1900.~~

Mr. William Fletcher,  
Valparaiso, Indiana.

Dear Sir:

Your letter dated June 2nd is received. In reply I  
would say that for any information that you wish in regard to the  
schools in Alaska, apply to Dr. Sheldon Jackson, Bureau of Education,  
Department of the Interior, Washington, D. C.

Respectfully yours,

Governor of Alaska.

June 27<sup>th</sup> - 1900.

The Honorable Secretary of the Interior  
Washington D. C.

Sir:

For several months a man here has been kept confined in jail in a cell and in irons because he is insane. He has not received proper medical treatment. The new law provides that the Governor subject to the direction and approval of the Secretary of the Interior advertise for and receive bids and, in behalf of the United States, contract from year to year with the responsible asylum or Sanitarium west of the main range of the Rocky Mountains submitting the lowest bid for the care and custody of persons legally adjudged insane. I ask for your directions so that I may proceed in this matter at the earliest date possible in order that these unfortunate ones may be better cared for.

Very respectfully yours

John S. Brady  
Governor of Alaska.



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Sitka, Alaska, June 28, 1900.

Mr. Theodore Dreiser,  
Care A. T. Mallon, & Co.  
Room 1314,  
309 Broadway,  
New York.

Dear Sir:

In response to your inquiry, I would say that so far there is only twenty miles of railway in Alaska, It is the White Pass and Yukon Railway, starting from Skagway, Alaska.

Respectfully yours,

*John L. Brady*  
Governor of Alaska.

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Sitka, Alaska, July 7, 1900.

Messrs Holmes &amp; Bull,

Tacoma, Wash.

Gentlemen:

I have not yet received a receipted, itemized bill for the furniture recently bought from you. Will you kindly send by return mail. It is necessary to have it so that I can settle my accounts with the government.

Respectfully yours,

Governor of Alaska.

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Sitka, Alaska, July 6, 1900.

Dexter Horton & Co.  
Seattle, Wash.

Gentlemen:

Enclosed please find warrant #4898 of the U. S. Treasury upon the Assistant Treasurer of the U. S. , at San Francisco for two hundred fifty-five dollars and fifty cents (\$255.50), which you will please put to my credit.

Respectfully yours,

July 19, 1900.

Mrs/ Elizabeth Reid,  
958 Mission Street,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Dear Madam:

Your letter dated June 26th is received. In reply I would say that Mr. James McClaskey is working in his mines near Killisnoo. I talked with him a few weeks ago. If you address a letter to him at Killisnoo, it will reach him.

Respectfully yours,

Governor of Alaska.

July 20, 1900.

Mrs. Annie H. Mead,

Waco, York Co.

Nebraska.

Dear Madam:

Your letter dated June 26th. is received. In reply I would say that I received a letter from Commissioner Oglvie of whom I wrote you. He said that he would make investigation and would then write me again. I start tomorrow for Nome and will pass through Dawson, if I can obtain any information while there I shall write you.

Respectfully yours,

Governor of Alaska.

July 19, 1900.

Mr. A. J. Berry,  
Attorney-at-law,  
41 Wall Street,  
New York.

Dear Sir:

Your letter dated June 18th is received. I thank you  
for your congratulations.

I expect to start for Nome on the twenty-first. I go there  
to expedite matters in regard to the Notary commissions. I pre-  
sume that Mr. Amasa Spring will be ready to give bond there, and  
I shall be glad to grant him a commission if he complies with  
the requirements.

Respectfully yours,

Governor of Alaska.

July 20, 1900.

Walter R. Holland, Esq.,  
Orca, Alaska.

Sir:

I am in receipt of a letter dated June 22nd, from Mr. Gen. Sexton, in your behalf. In reply would say that you can obtain your citizen papers only by personally appearing before the clerk of the district court, and declaring your intention of becoming a citizen of the United States. In regard to obtaining an Honorable Discharge from the Navy, I hardly see how you can accomplish it though it is possible that the Wheeling may call at Orca this fall on her way to Sitka and you can then see Captain Couder about it.

Respectfully yours,

Governor of Alaska.

July 19, 1900.

Mrs. J. P. Crowley,  
207 Washburn Ave,  
2nd Floor,  
Chicago, Ill.

Dear Madam:

Your letter dated April 5th is just received, as it was addressed to Cape Nome instead of Sitka, it was along time reaching me.

Last summer when I went down the Yukon, I met many who had spent the winter of '98 and '99 on Kotzebue Sound and Kowak River. They told me that most of the men had a very hard time and many died from Scurvey. I don't suppose that there is any record of these deaths but since that time the wonderful gold fields of Nome and the adjacent country have been discovered and have attracted the miners from all that part of Alaska. It is possible that your husband may be among them and that ere this you have heard from him. I am going to Nome soon and if I can obtain any information that will be of service to you I shall send it to you.

Respectfully yours,

Governor of Alaska.

July 19, 1900.

Mr. John H. Brownlow,

Sunrise City, Alaska.

Your letter dated April 8th and addressed to the Secretary of the Interior was forwarded to this office for a reply. I have just consulted the U.S. District Attorney and he informs me that the question has been up before and that an auctioneer, who simply acts as a crier such as you describe in your letter, and is not regularly in a mercantile business, is not required to take out a license.

Respectfully yours,

Governor of Alaska.

August 4, 1900.

Mr. R.H. Sanford,

Baldwin Locomotive Works, was received and in reply will say:  
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

I wish to acknowledge and express the thanks of Governor  
Brady in behalf of the Alaska District Library for the following  
publications:

Copy of the History of Baldwin Locomotive Works,

- • catalogue of narrow gauge locomotives,
- • pamphlet describing the Vanclain system compound  
locomotives,
- • electric locomotives,
- • catalogue of detailed parts.

Bound volume of Record of Recent Construction 1-10,

Pamphlets Record of Recent Construction 11-16,

Pocketbook entitled "Locomotive data".

Very respectfully

Private Secretary.

August 4, 1900.

Mr. Geo. C. T. Talmon,  
1270 Broadway,  
New York City.

Dear Sir:

In the absence of Governor Brady and at his request, I reply to your letter of July 7th. The Governor has gone on his annual visit to the North, leaving here the day your letter was received. He had written you just previous to receiving your communication. In regard to the Seward bust, he says that it is to be shipped direct to Sitka. He hopes that Mr. Loring and his brother will not arrive in Sitka until the last boat in September as he will surely return by that time and it will give him great pleasure to have them here at the Seward Bust ceremony, which could take place at that time.

Respectfully yours,

*Herbert P. Knapp*  
Private Secretary.

August 29, 1900.

Mr. F. M. Vernon,  
San Diego, Cal.

Dear Sir:

Your letter dated July 24th was received during my absence from Sitka while I was making my annual visit to the northern and western parts of Alaska. In reply I would say that all reports received here would confirm the belief that you have been deceived.

I enclose a portion of an article in the "Alaskan" July 28, 1900.

I hope that the parties who have been misled in this undertaking and who have gone to Yakutat, will be successful in some other part of the country.

Respectfully yours,

Governor of Alaska.



September 20, 1900.

Mr William Duncan,  
Metlakatla, Alaska.

Dear Sir:

Your letter dated September 13th is received.

I shall be vry glad if you will nominate some one to take the place of Joseph Howard, Native Policeman. Will you also state when he commenced to perform his duties.

Respectfully yours,

Governor of Alaska.

September 20, 1900.

Mr. Edwin, L. Griffith,  
Manager, Steam Whaling Co.  
30 California St.  
San Francisco, Cal/

Dear Sir:

Your letter dated August 14th and giving me the information that I requested is received, and I wish to thank you for the same.

Respectfully yours,

Governor of Alaska.

September 20, 1900.

Mr. J. P. Corbus,

Supt. Alaska Treadwell Mines.

Douglas, Alaska.

My dear Sir :

I am in receipt of yours of September 17th enclosing the three copies of your mining reports, and I thank you sincerely for the same. The type written report I will return to you by the next mail. This mass of information comes very timely for I have just reached that part of my report where I want to make use of it.

Very respectfully yours,

Governor of Alaska.

O October 16, 1900.

Mr. John G. Converse,

President ex officio, Fairmount Park Art Association,

608 Market St. Philadelphia? Pa.

Sir:-

Your letter dated September 14th also a copy of the report of the proceedings incident to the Unveiling of the bronze equestrian statue of General Ulysses S. Grant in Philadelphia on the 27th of April, 1899, is received. I thank you very much for the same. It is a splendid souvenir of the occasion which you mention and will make a nice addition to our new library.

Very respectfully,

Governor of Alaska.

October 10, 1906.

Mr. John H. Bropelow,  
Sunrise City,  
Cook Inlet,

Alaska.

Dear Sir:

Your letter dated August 17th is received. In reply I would say that there is no requirement for an applicant to pay a license. I do not think that you need to give yourself any further concern about it.

I have no copies of the criminal code for distribution but if you will address a note to the Secretary of the Interior requesting one, he, no doubt, will have one sent to you.

Respectfully yours,

Governor of Alaska.

October 24, 1900

Mr. J. Stewart  
 City B. B. U. C.  
 Washington D. C.

Dear Sir:

In reply to your card dated September 17, I would say that under the new law there is no provision for corporations except towns and cemeteries. The corporations which are doing business organize without it and there are rules and regulations in the new statutes for their procedure.

Respectfully yours,

Governor of Alaska.

Yours truly,  
 J. W. Bennett

October 16, 1900.

Dr. A. Clark,  
Medical Supt. , Stockton, State Hospital,  
Stockton, Cal.

Dear Sir:

Your letter dated September 12th with the enclosed bid for the care of the insane is received. A copy of which has been sent to the Secretary of the Interior. I consider this a reasonable bid but the matter of transportation has to be considered also.

Respectfully

Governor of Alaska.

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