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### NOT A COMPLETE CHANGE

The changes of administration in the last two months are vast. Mine inspector McGregor was the first to leave. Major Walsh left as soon as his year of service expired. Fred Wade no longer holds his multitude of offices. Captain Bliss left his mantle of office to a successor, and even the worthy Judge McGuire decided the atmosphere outside to be more congenial. The last to go was Mine Inspector Norwood, a gentleman very popular with his friends and disliked heartily by his enemies. It remains to be seen whether Mr. Ogilvie will have the courage to remove the one man above all others who has been so largely responsible for the scandals which are at the present moment being repeated from mouth to mouth from Canadian limit to limit.

It must be acknowledged that the presence of Mr. Ogilvie is working an incalculable improvement in the conducting of the government offices, and the source of regret is the retention of the incompetent Mr. Fawcett in a position for which he is about as well fitted as hell is adapted for use as a powder b. c.

### PROVIDE FOR THE POOR

A plea was made before the Miners' Association at its last meeting for assistance in carrying on certain charitable work. It is of course without the power of the association in its present financial condition to take up systematically any work of this character. We are not altogether persuaded that the Miners' Association or any other association of a similar kind should be expected to act in a public charitable capacity. It is distinctly a matter toward which the local authorities should direct their attention. The care of the public poor is a legitimate government expense and a due proportion of the revenue direct from taxation should be apportioned for that purpose. We are well aware of the fact that a contribution was made by the government toward St. Mary's hospital, some months ago, but the matter should not be allowed to rest there. So long as the Dominion officials remain in charge of the local government of Dawson, it is their duty to provide for cases of destitution of which there are bound to be many during the coming winter. As soon as municipal powers are granted to Dawson then that duty will devolve upon the city authorities.

Certainly the country has been taxed sufficiently to warrant the government in providing attention for the needy sick and persons in destitute circumstances.

### NO INVESTIGATION

The Victoria Colonist of Sept. 13, has the following which bears out the statements of the Nugget that while Mr. Ogilvie is endeavoring to straighten out things in the gold commissioner's office he is apparently following along a line of policy which his government has laid out for him, and which in vulgar parlance goes by the name of "whitewash." The excerpt is as follows:

If the Manitoba Free Press speaks with an authority, Commissioner Ogilvie has not

been instructed to make any investigation into the charges of wrong-doing that have been made against the government officials at Dawson. This hardly seems possible. The charges have been made with the utmost definiteness, and the publicity given to them is co-extensive with the region over which the English language is spoken. The nature of the charges is sufficiently serious. If they are well founded they are a disgrace, not only to Canada, but to the whole British people, for the boast has been that in all British countries the law was administered honestly and that all men had equal rights under it. If what is said of the conduct of officials at Dawson is true the mining laws have not been honestly administered and all people have not had equal rights under them. And yet we are told by a paper which is understood to speak for Mr. Sifton, that there is to be no investigation. The reason given being that the officers doing there is anything wrong. We suppose every horse thief, who was ever sent to the penitentiary, denied his guilt when charged with it. If Mr. Sifton only proposes to investigate the conduct of those officials who plead guilty he will not have to investigate anything. What need is there to investigate whether a man has committed a wrong, when he himself says that he has? If there is to be no investigation simply because the people, who ought to have seen that there was no scandal, say there was none, a premium will be put upon official dishonesty of all descriptions. Making every due allowance for the prejudice of aliens, for disappointments and exaggerations, admitting the correctness of the saying that "one story's always good until another's told;" there is indisputable evidence of wrong and injustice on the part of some of the Dawson officials. Where the surface indications are so plain there can be little doubt of what would be found if an investigation were pushed to bedrock. But we are told that nothing is to be investigated. When this word reaches Dawson, the rumor, already in circulation there, that ministers dare not order a public investigation because they themselves would not come out of it with clean hands, will obtain ten-fold greater credence than it receives now. We have declined to give publicity to rumors of this nature, because such allegations are easily made, and when the minister is several thousand miles away, are difficult for him to answer; but it is right that Mr. Sifton should be told that such reports are in circulation, for perhaps their existence will spur him up to doing what the interests of the mining community have been powerless to persuade him to do, at least so far as the public knows. If he has not instructed Commissioner Ogilvie to probe the Yukon scandals to the bottom, he ought to send a messenger after him as fast as steam can carry him, with instructions to that effect. Of course the charges will be ventilated in parliament, but it will be impossible then to get evidence from Dawson. Possibly Mr. Sifton will think himself lucky if he gets off with a non-suit.

**PHILANTHROPIC EFFORT.**  
In another column will be found an account of the efforts of Mr. J. A. Aeklin to turn to valuable account some of this otherwise valueless land in the Yukon Territory. At his own expense and at something of a financial loss he has experimented in various localities and has demonstrated that farming can be successfully carried on in many of its branches. Mr. Aeklin is desirous of extending his gardens and to that end would like to secure to himself the ground he is making so valuable. A homestead of at least 100 acres should be given him as an encouraging bonus by the government. There is land enough in this vast territory to never miss it. If he is a public benefactor who makes two blades of grass to grow where but one grew before, what must be thought of the persevering gentleman who has demonstrated the agricultural possibilities of this cheerless land when pursued scientifically.

### SEEN IN CANADIAN NEWSPAPERS.

The late crown prosecutor, Attorney Fred Wade says in an interview with the Colonist of Victoria: "We had been trying to clean the country of the 'scum' of the Coast cities who had drifted to Dawson, and it was that class who brought out the reports of alleged wrong doing." Messrs. Wade, Fawcett, Sifton, etc., etc., cannot be expected to talk in a complimentary vein of their traducers, yet to class everyone as "scum" who carries to the outside world the stories of official wrong-doing is anything but argu-ent.

In the agitation for reform begun by the Nugget last June there have been engaged some of the most transparently honest and conscientious citizens we have, and to hear them classed as "scum" as soon as they turn their backs, is mortifying to say the least.

Judge McGuire was orator of the day on the occasion of the public rejoicing of Americans at the glorious victories of Admirals Dewey and Schley. It must have been just about the same time he wrote the letter from which the following is an extract. Seen side by side there appears to be something at variance.

**The Judge's Speech.** The Judge's Letter.  
Gentlemen I admire. There are gathered here you say up here on the here thousands of the banks of the Yukon sweepings of the vilest delving in the bowels of portions of the large earth for filthy gold. *Good American cities, all bent on getting gold.*

I thank you for the fine claims in any way compliment you have or by any fraud possible paid me tonight, and I ble. These have found beg to join you most the gold commissioner honestly and most serious stumbling block in your rejoinings block in the carrying out of your schemes.

As a Canadian I can and have therefore no join as a native born love for him. Canadian as your neighbor, as your friend, etc.

I am proud of being here tonight, I am grateful to the committee for the compliment they have paid me, etc.

I can join with you because we as Canadians are proud of our cousins across the line.

(The foregoing is from a stenographic report in the Midnight Sun.)

### OUTSIDE BREVITIES.

The young princess Wilhelmina has been crowned Queen of the Netherlands. The ceremony was a most imposing affair, being attended by all the high dignitaries of the realm. Wilhelmina is one of the young monarchs of Europe, having just come of age.

A pitched battle occurred in Colorado Springs between rival factions of the Free Silver forces of that state. One man was killed and several more were wounded. The fight was waged for possession of the court house in which the Silver Republicans held their convention.

The Populists have nominated Presidential candidates for the contest which occurs in the fall of 1900. Wharton Barker of Pennsylvania was nominated for President and Ignatius Donnelly of Minnesota was nominated for Vice-President. The nominations were made at this early date in order to shut off fusion in 1900.

The Fusion parties in the State of Washington have held their conventions and determined upon a course similar to that pursued two years ago at the presidential election. The Democrats and Silver Republicans will each be allowed a Congressman and the ticket as a whole will be known as the People's Party Ticket.

Li Hung Chang has been dismissed from power. It is presumed that it was done in accordance with the demand which it is rumored the British Minister here, Sir Claude McDonald, was instructed to make on account of the alleged general partiality of the great Chinaman to Russia, culminating in Great Britain being deprived of the contract for the Peking Hankow railroad by giving the Russo Chinese bank financial control of the road.

Either as a result of recent developments in the international situation or because of the desire of the administration to be prepared for emergencies, two armoured cruisers will be sent within 10 days to the Pacific Coast, probably the Iowa and Oregon, both of which are now being put in the best possible shape at the Brooklyn Navy yard. One is destined for San Francisco and the other for Puget sound. This is taken in Naval circles that the President is determined to hold the Philippines and proposes to have two of the best fighting machines handy in Pacific waters.

**Forty-Mile Notes.**  
Mr. T. H. Pike came up from Forty-mile on a visit last Sunday.

The Burpee brought a load of Forty-milers to Dawson on Sunday.

The small steamer Burpee is plying regularly between Forty-mile and Eagle City until the freeze-up.

Some thin floating ice came down Forty-mile river last Thursday, showing that some of the upper tributaries had been frozen up.

There are a thousand men up the creeks and nearly all the cabins in town are occupied. Others are going up along the water front.

Eighty men have secured lays on the discovery claim on Chicken creek. The prospects are that that the territory will be well dug over this winter.

Billy French was up before Inspector Search last week and got the worst of it. French had been seen playing cards with an Indian, and was also seen to be using all the tricks and wiles of a "sure thing" man to beat his aboriginal opponent. A bystander expostulated and words passed and changed to blows. French had the criticising bystander arrested but refused to testify in the hope that the defendant would not tell the justice what had preceded the row. However that did not deter the defendant who entered into every detail of the "skinning" of Mr. Indian. Search inflicted a fine of \$5 and costs on the gambler and a partner and it is supposed invited them to leave the country, for they both disappeared down river next morning.

Have your prescriptions filled by Kelly & Co. Druggists, Front street.

I have several good cabins for sale. Best location in Dawson, at cheap bargain prices. Call at once and secure first choice. HEMEN, Nugget office.

When laying in your winter's outfit, remember a subscription to the Nugget is an essential. Twice a week by carrier—\$2.00 per month.

Fine line of Domestic and Imported Cigars Kelly & Co. Druggists, Front street.

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**Special Bargain.**  
One cabin 14 x 16 and 1 cabin 10 x 12, together with lot 25 x 30. Title guaranteed. Best location in Dawson; close in. Owner has poor health and must go out—a genuine bargain. HEMEN, NUGGET office.

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QUALITY OF WINES AND LIQUORS THE HIGHEST  
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HIGHEST GRADES OF CIGARS

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## THE KLONDIKE NUGGET

## A LETTER FROM

He Writes From I ter Wide

Writes the People and the Nugget. "This is What he Calls"

In our issue of August of Hebb vs. Healy but for the reason that the McGuire was no longer above all others a critic on that matter.

The worthy judge was of the NUGGET and the simplicity of the old gold with a desire to prove ourselves would be when age shall have a taste of the battle of and futile attempts to of "inside information" this paper purely as a necessity of our own faith that in the matter of the worthy judge has writing to ask that a note in the book had them and overtop the bids were so held with his written re he admitted his will rison and McDonald \$2,000 per annum.

There are other things garrulous confidence which make the appeal of the worthy justice sticking a knife into time when he was a feelings.

From one end to press is discussing the Snover of crooked the Judge's letter was for publication but is define the NUGGET Dawson in order to be some of his colleagues able for what was "pure and corrupt" ever been foisted upon. That the worthy judge cans as he did in the in public pay those the American residue did on the occasion of the Dewey and Schley to the statements of the worthy judge who a request that we little irrationalities there were grave Lawyers and all who with him petted him regret that he has no sight leaving in our remembrance picture of desired to retain. A stance of Montreal sale from ever reach the following is fr reproduced by the Evening News Bulletin from the pen of Judge Dawson:

"We have now called, both published cans and both published editors-mongers who in 'Frisee and Seattle get, has taken for its Government officials ed with the Gold Co are gathered here th of the vilest portio American cities, all say way or by any p found the Gold Coa bling block in the c and here therefore r miners, too, are dis and an inst-with per statements "This er, not confined to as universal as the

The Nugget perceiv regulations and his staff would make the p which this since a comes out twice a w wants to more rapid he gets out an ext at some startling di that they will be pu such around crying result that it goes o The Nugget treasury the publisher has st out well unless the sell in jail for crim fine himself to insi against the staff— stigation, give out formation from the ment employee to d indicable offence, ment and fine. If t fact it would be ea the dishonest clerk But that, which w would be little mor course it pays bet lying intendees at rather indiscreetly thus sold so rapidly able to turn them boasts that another in Seattle and son repeating these cha ingly doubtful c charges, is pretty ex one of the recent n as the several thou forward and give if doing such as refer not one man respon on. There is not a course."

The improvement are vast and thos