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Ogilvie Repudiates Walsh.

Innocent parties are being made to suffer by reason of the well-known dislike that Commissioner Ogilvie entertains for his predecessor in office, Major Walsh. A recent instance illustrative of this fact is the West Dawson townsite affair. Major Walsh, realizing the unsanitary conditions which prevailed in Dawson last summer, gave permission to the present residents of West Dawson to build on the townsite.

Advantage was taken of the Major's offer by a considerable number of parties, all of whom have erected cabins and otherwise improved their property, relying upon the Major's promise that they should not be disturbed in the enjoyment of the rights he had given them.

Major Walsh's position is clearly defined in the protest published in Saturday's Nugget and signed by forty-six property-holders in West Dawson. In part the protest reads as follows:

1. This land was thrown open for our occupation by your predecessor in office, Major James A. Walsh, from whom we received every assurance that we should remain in undisturbed occupation and possession, and relying on which we erected our several dwellings.

2. Upon your accession to office you further assured us that the claimant, Mr. Johnson, would be given a tract of land in another direction, and, believing your statements true, we have continued adding to the value of our homes and improving our properties.

It appears from the protest—and certainly it is difficult to believe that forty-six men could be mistaken in the matter—it appears that not only did Major Walsh assure these people that they would be perfectly safe in going ahead with their buildings, but Ogilvie himself practically confirmed the Major's promise.

Now, like a thunderbolt from a clear sky, comes Ogilvie's notice to the cabin-owners to appoint an arbitrator to assist in determining how much money they shall pay for the improvements which have been made by their own labor and at their own expense—for that is exactly what the recent order resolves itself into.

The NUGGET adds its protest to that of the occupants of cabins in West Dawson.

No matter if Major Walsh was acting outside his authority, if he gave the assurance alleged in the protest as published, Ogilvie is bound by every right to stand by it. It will not be the first time

that illegal acts on the part of Yukon Territory officials have been legalized by the government. Numerous instances can be cited where Major Walsh acted with absolutely no regard for the regulations, and it is notorious that Fawcett was continually getting outside his powers. And yet the acts of both have been legalized at Ottawa.

The occupants of West Dawson property have improved their ground in good faith, relying upon Major Walsh's promise to see them through. That promise bound the Dominion government to protect these men, and that promise should be fulfilled.

THE GREAT AGNOSTIC DEAD.

The death of Col. Robert Ingersoll removes from the scene of earthly endeavor one of the most remarkable figures of the century. To Ingersoll probably more than to any other one influence is due the exceedingly large amount of skepticism which, despite the effort of the churches to conceal it, is known to prevail in the United States today.

To that extent Ingersoll's influence has been pernicious. A country which recognizes no religion and no God is like a ship without ballast or rudder. Faith is the sublime virtue and upon the solid foundation of faith in a just and eternal Divine Being, the mightiest of governmental structures have been reared. The empires of antiquity endured as long as they maintained their religion. With the advent of skepticism their power dwindled and they gradually faded from sight.

Human nature has not altered one whit in all the centuries that history records. It is animated today by the same impulses and ambitions as prevailed thousands of years ago. The influences which then served to destroy, as well as those which tended to conserve, are identical with those that produce similar effects today. So Ingersoll in attempting to take away the comforts and consolations of Christianity in America has struck at the keystone in the foundation upon which the great republic was reared. A fitting inscription upon his monument would be, "He lived not to build but to destroy."

AGAIN THE BOUNDARY.

No particular alarm need be felt over the recent bellicose utterances at Ottawa. There is no more danger of a severance of friendly relations between the United States and Canada than there is of Sifton voluntarily allowing a parliamentary inquiry into the Yukon.

These semi-occasional explosions of super-abundant patriotism serve as excellent campaign material and tend to foster the national spirit throughout the country, two very laudable ends which every ambitious and successful statesman desires to attain.

The same thing occurs periodically over in the states, usually taking the form of what is known

as "twisting the lion's tail." That particular species of amusement is placed on the boards at election time and answers very well in the absence of something more substantial in the way of political argument.

As far as the boundary between the United States and British Alaskan possessions is concerned, that question will be decided definitely by a court of arbitration. All talk of war is but an idle waste of words. Neither country has any desire to take advantage of the other, and both are willing to submit their claims to a court which will be unprejudiced and impartial. Uncle Sam and John Bull are too closely united just now to have their friendly relations severed over a question which can be settled equitably by arbitration.

That semi-moribund sheet, the Sun, whose feeble respirations are only prolonged by reason of certain periodical doses of government pap, has made the NUGGET the object of a great deal of spiteful venom of late. The contemptible freak who is responsible for its garrulous mutterings is lacking not only in capacity as a journalist, but in knowledge of all newspaper ethics. He is too insignificant, however, for extended notice, and, in fact, like the proverbial calf, all he requires to hang himself is to be let alone and given plenty of rope.

PERSONAL MENTION.

Mrs. F. W. Wiley has gone outside to purchase a messenger cart for Dawson.

Governor Brady left on the Sarah for lower river points, Friday.

Rev. Turner left for the outside Sunday on the Linda, of the A. E. Co.'s fleet.

Humboldt Gates is confined to the hospital with an attack of typhoid fever.

W. H. McPhee leaves for the outside soon to remain until next spring.

The fire boys have a bear cub for a mascot. He answers to the name of Barney.

L. H. Gray of the White Pass road, took his departure for Skagway on Wednesday.

J. B. Wood, local manager of the Trading & Exploring Co., is making plans to leave for the outside soon.

Harry Edwards is able to attend to his duties again, after being laid up nearly a fortnight with a retractor leg.

Fred M. Schroder arrived home, Thursday from a business trip to lower river points, including Forty-Mile and Eagle.

Mrs. Woods, formerly of Dawson and later of Forty Mile, is said to be conducting the "Stampede" restaurant at Nome.

J. H. Cook, agent for the A. C. Co. at Circle, made a flying visit to the city last week. He reports American creek as fairly booming.

Albert Bell, the vocalist, has succeeded Sherman Dewey as manager of the Dewey hotel at the Forks, the second named having gone out.

It is reported that Charlie Anderson will go out next month, joining his wife at Seattle, and proceeding to Europe on a visit, settling down in California.

Fred C. Wade, crown prosecutor, left on Wednesday for Vancouver, where he will meet his family and escort them into Dawson. They will prove welcome acquisitions to Dawson's social circles.

Information is wanted of the whereabouts of Edward Harris of Hamilton, Ont., who came to Dawson over the Edmonton trail. Any one knowing of him will confer a favor on anxious relatives by communicating with the NUGGET.

Messrs. Belcher, McCullough and Broster, late of Dawson's police force, left for the outside on the Columbian. The first two named will continue in the service in the lower country, while Mr. Broster returns to civil life.

The French consular agent, Mr. R. Turanne, leaves this week for Paris to come back on the ice. Mr. R. Tarut, his secretary, will take care of the agency cabin with the tricolor flag, behind St. Mary's church, during his absence.

J. H. Johnson, the owner of an idle brewing plant at Dawson, has just reached the outside. It is expected he will see what arrangements can be made for the manufacture of the amber-hued fluid while abroad, and an army of thirsty ones wish him well in the undertaking.

Mrs. J. M. Pickel has recovered from a three-weeks' siege of illness, during most of which time she was confined to her bed. Mrs. Pickel and her daughter Josephine will remain in Dawson during the coming winter instead of returning to the outside as was their original intention.

Engineer Kean is still employed on the preliminary work of the proposed government highways, and practical work will probably not be commenced before next week. There are many applicants for small contracts, and it has been decided to have the work done by that system.

Dome Creek on Forty-Mile.
Dome Creek is another Forty-Mile tributary that is attracting considerable attention in the lower country. Dome creek is reached by crossing a ridge a distance of 14 miles from Sam Patch's cabin.

A. C. Gould, who has just returned from Forty-Mile, gives the NUGGET an interesting

account of affairs on Dome creek where he spent several days during his trip.

On one claim owned by Johnny Barrett a space of 40 feet by 250 has been stripped to a depth of from two and a half to three feet. Pay gravel running from 10c. to \$1.50 per pan covers the entire area and is now being shoveled in.

Jack McLum and A. W. Briggs on a bench opposite No. 1 below discovery have started prospect holes. They have found seven cent dirt at a depth of two feet.

On Barrett's bench off of discovery claim 15 cent dirt has been uncovered without bedrock being reached. Barrett is stripping the muck off with a strong head of water. Bedrock on his claim is reached at 9 to 10 feet. He expects to take out \$30,000 before the freeze up.

On No. 4 below and 2 above discovery good pay has been located running as high as \$1.50 to the pan.

The Dome benches are 125 feet above the creek and almost flat. They are mainly covered with gravel which is exposed at the surface.

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