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PATRIOTS DO HONOR TO UNCLE SAM.

All Nationalities Represented in the Celebration of the Fourth.

The Barracks Taken By an Army of Peace Numbering Several Thousand—Sporting Events Were Uniformly Successful.

The celebration of the Fourth of July was a memorable event in the history of Dawson in more ways than one. It brought into one body, inspired by the same impulse, a people which would be the pride of the best nations on earth, for their single motive was to enliven the patriotic acts of a country of progress and to give fresh impulse to the spirit of freedom. It was not an American celebration in one sense, for the celebrators came from every



quarter of the globe, while a goodly proportion of them represented the government of which the occasion is truly remarkable, for it told a story of advancement throughout the world that is an omen of better and happier days and of a final brotherhood of man that was surely the design of the Maker. It was an edifying spectacle to see the representatives of the various foreign nations cheering in unison the names of leading Americans or crying themselves hoarse in behalf of freedom.

The first act in the celebration took place at midnight, when a group of patriots on the western shore of the Yukon began the firing of a dynamite salute that announced the arrival of the great day. The mighty torrent of noise created by the reverberations in the hills was like the din of battle, and thrilled all within hearing. The whistling of steam whistles and the firing of small arms added to the din, which was continued for several hours. The early morning saw the streets alive with patriotic men, and at noon these fell into line before the A. C. Co.'s store and joined in the march to the barracks, where the literary and musical exercises of the day were to take place. The procession nearly filled the street, and was made up of thousands of cheering, singing men—just how many it was impossible to estimate. Into the great court at the barracks they marched, with a brass band and Captain Jack Crawford at their head, until nearly every inch of space was covered.

Col. O. V. Davis acted as chairman for the occasion, and he lost no time in commencing the exercises, which opened with a selection by the band. "My Country, 'Tis of Thee" and "God Save the Queen" were then sung by a mixed choir, and after another selection by the band Mr. Leroy Foster delivered the principal address of the day. "This is the first time," he said, in part, "when you have seen



COLE JACKS' ATHLETIC JAW

The Anglo-Saxon race united as it should be. Probably at no future time in my life or yours will we see such a gathering as this and such extraordinary circumstances. I am proud of the opportunity to speak today as an American citizen upon British soil. Some people had been mistaken about the nature and meaning of the real Americanism, nor was the true position of the Anglo-Saxon race understood by the world at large until that first gun was fired at Manila. There was no doubt then what that position was. The parent country did not thoroughly understand her offspring up to that time; but today we stand as a united people—not as consins, but as brothers and sisters. As another speaker said on a previous occasion, I believe we are not aliens here, but are simply away from home. The speaker expressed regret that he had been so long out of touch with the outside world that he could not discuss the political situation of the day, and advised all young men, upon their return home to study politics as a part of their patri-

otic duty. He said that the nations have been making history lately, and from it had come the lesson that universal peace should prevail—that arbitration should settle all international questions. "Now," he said, "I am going to make a rather sweeping statement. I do not believe that the peace we so earnestly seek will ever be understood until all the people on earth have adopted as their language the one I now speak."

The conclusion of the address was wildly cheered, and when Captain Jack Crawford took the speaker's place he came in for another ovation. The captain was in his most entertaining mood, and he alternated poetry with patriotism and wit until his hearers were aroused to the highest pitch of patriotism. He referred to Colonel Steele as a true type of the gallant soldier and just man, and the audience endorsed his sentiments with a round of cheers. His tribute to the people of the Klondike, for the hardships they had manfully endured, the dangers they had bravely faced and the law-abiding spirit they had manifested, was very eloquent.

Next there was more music by the band, more patriotic songs were sung, cheers were given for President McKinley, the Queen, Col. Steele and others, and then the gathering disbanded.

In the afternoon the people again assembled on First avenue to witness the athletic and other sports. These were under the able charge of Jos. W. Boyle and a number of assistants, and were very entertaining. The results are given in concise form as follows:

SUMMARY OF EVENTS.

Running, 100 Yards, Professional—Bert Ford, first; J. Farrell, second. Time, 11 1/2 seconds.
Running, 200 Yards, Professional—Bert Ford, first; W. C. Yates, second. Time, 22 3/4 seconds.

Running, 100 Yards, Amateur—H. Wakefield, first; E. Flewelling, second. Time, 12 seconds.
Running, 200 Yards, Amateur—E. Flewelling, first; H. Wakefield, second. Time, 24 seconds.

Running, 50 Yards, Boys Under 15—Willie Newman, first; Willie Wright, second. Time, 9 seconds.

Running, 50 Yards, Girls Under 15—Margie Newman, first; Mabel Zahn, second. Time, 10 seconds.

Obstacle Race, 100 Yards—James Dunbar, first; W. L. Bettelley, second. Time, 45 1/2 seconds.

Running Broad Jump—H. Wakefield, first, 17 feet 2 inches; J. Farrell, second, 16 feet 5 inches.

Standing Broad Jump—Fred Webster, first, 9 feet 2 inches; H. Wakefield, second, 9 feet.

Running High Jump—F. W. Atwood, first, 5 feet 2 1/2 inches; H. Wakefield, second, 5 feet 1 1/2 inches.

Putting Shot—Fred Webster, first, 37 feet 6 inches; George McLeod, second, 36 feet 11 inches.

Tossing Cane—George McLeod, first, 10 feet 9 inches; H. Stewart, second, 10 feet 2 1/2 inches.

Running Hop, Step and Jump—H. Wakefield, first, 37 feet 9 1/2 inches; J. A. Clarke, second, 35 feet 3 1/2 inches.

Miners' Packing Race—Otto Smea, first; Alfred Carey, second. No time.

Pie Eating Contest—John Matthews, first, 2 minutes 17 seconds; Dave Cummings, second, 10 minutes 42 seconds.

Tag-of-War—A. C. team (H. Bloom, Ed Bloom, Charles Bloom, Joe Gibson, E. C. Kelton, Jos. Dunning, Charles Martin, Sam Herby, Captain P. Hopkins), first; George A. Noble's team (Tom Gibbons, E. S. Johnson, E. J. Hutchinson, W. Williams, Charles Childgren, W. F. Collins, A. Johnson, H. Corlison, Captain A. W. Wentworth), second.

Canoe, Single Paddle, One-half Mile and Turn—Solomon Albert, first; A. De Repentigneur, second. No time.

Canoe, Double Paddles, One-half Mile and Turn—Solomon Albert and M. Emard, first; T. H. Eckert and A. L. Orest, second. Time, 9 minutes 5 seconds.

Canoe, Four Paddles, One-half Mile and Turn—W. L. Bettelley, Elvane, Wattenheimer, Bennet, first; J. C. McCormack, Ed Siers, T. Union, George Gordon, second. Time, 9 minutes, 53 seconds.

Log-Rolling Contest—Ed Smith, first; Solomon Albert, second.

The pie eating contest provided rare sport, and the result proved the winner to be a genius in his line. A. N. Leopold came in first in the miners' race, but was disqualified for foul running, having taken to the sidewalk. Wakefield again proved himself invincible as a pole vaulter. The events were all satisfactory, and were greatly enjoyed.

Other contests were held by private persons, among them a log-of-war for a gold medal, given under the auspices of Miss Mulronney before the Fairview hotel. The contestants were a married men's team, captained by "Uncle Andy" Young, and a single men's

team, captained by a Mr. Smith. The former won, and the members of the team very gallantly voted to give the medal to their captain, "Uncle Andy." The medal is now being made, and will be put on exhibition in a few days, by its proud owner. It is expected to have a value of not less than \$50.

A stone drilling contest occurred at the Monte Carlo, and was won by Chatham and Halpen over Henry and Crowley. The time allowed was 15 minutes, and the record 30 inches and 28 1/2 inches, respectively.

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Another man who has confidence in Cape Nome, and backs his faith with his money, is Mr. C. C. Carpenter, second mate of the steamer Louise, which arrived from Andreafsky Wednesday. During a talk with a Nugget man, Mr. Carpenter said that he outfitted a man and sent him to the new diggings in February. They staked claims on Penny river, and carried enough wood a distance of 14 miles to prospect two days. The result was thoroughly satisfactory, and they both went to St. Michael to outfit and await the opening of spring, when they purposed returning. Mr. Carpenter is thoroughly convinced that the country is all right, and says that the nearer one gets to Cape Nome the stronger he finds the confidence to be. The evils of the power of attorney, he says have been greatly curtailed by the adoption of a regulation requiring a fee of \$27 for recording on a power of attorney and an affidavit from the person for whom the staking is done.

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Back From Seattle.

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BOTTLES WERE FLYING, NOT RAZORS.

A Free-for-All, Catch-as-Catch-Can Go at the Monte Carlo.

A Record-Breaker for Broken Heads and Braised Shins—A Bottle Goes Through a Window—The Big Gold Scales Ruined.

A sensational episode transpired Friday morning about 3:30 o'clock at the Monte Carlo, as a result of which several heads and faces were badly battered, and not a little property was destroyed, while pandemonium reigned supreme for the time. The story of the affair as related by an eye witness is that at the hour named, James Rogers, lease of the saloon department, went back to the theatre and invited the dancing girls out to his bar for a drink.



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THEY DID NOT GET THE DUCK

They accepted the invitation, accompanied by the musician. This seems to have incensed Ed Sullivan of the theatrical department, and he ordered the place closed down for the night. Rogers remonstrated and finally called Sullivan a "cheap stiff." Both men were under the influence of liquor, it should be explained. Sullivan retaliated upon Rogers by striking him twice, the second blow knocking him down and quite putting him hors de combat. Black Prince, an employe of Rogers, then fell into disfavor with Mr. Sullivan and was on the point of being treated similarly to his chief when he suddenly took the aggressive himself and landed a staggering blow on Sullivan's face. Prince then retreated to the barroom, where he was followed by Sullivan, and as the latter entered Prince gave him a swift blow on the face. They clinched and fell to the floor, with Sullivan on top. The latter bit the black man on the face, and the Prince retaliated by sticking his finger in Sullivan's eye, at the same time telling him he would gouge the eye out if he was bitten again. At this point somebody stepped up behind Sullivan and struck him on the head with a bottle, knocking him off the form of the prince.

Jim Sullivan also ran into the room from the theatre and he was greeted with a bottle on the face. The affair became general, things bottles and glasses were hurled through the air in a shower; one bottle went through the front window, several struck Henry Kerr, the bartender, in whose vicinity the Prince had taken refuge, and one of the crap dealers, while attempting to crawl under the table, received two bottles in rapid succession on his stooping frame. Rogers, in the meantime, had been carried away to his room, and the arrival

of police officers finally put an end to the affair. The dancing girls had watched the exciting affair from the stairway, and after it was all over one of them named Nellie Lewis carried a fresh scene of excitement by charging the Black Prince and Kerr with having taken her pocketbook containing \$10. They were innocent of any knowledge of the matter, but Nellie was insistent, and finally in her excitement she pulled the large gold scales in the room with a crash and used one of the broken pieces for a weapon. She was finally put into the street by Kerr, and then taken to the barracks by a policeman.

THE AFTERMATH.

At 12 o'clock the following afternoon Black Prince and Miss Nellie appeared before Judge Steele and the latter was fined \$10 and \$100 for disorderly conduct. No charges had yet been preferred against the Prince and he was obliged to explain that the police had "gouged" him to show up. A representative of the Sullivan presented a physician's certificate stating that Mr. Sullivan was too ill to appear, nothing was heard from the other participants with the row. The case was finally laid over to Monday.

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