

A MOST DISTINGUISHED VISITOR.

Col. James Domville, M. P., Now in Dawson.

Says Royalty Must Be Abolished and No Claims Reserved for the Crown Will Work for More Liberal Laws for the District.

Among the most prominent visitors Dawson has ever had is Col. James Domville, Member of Parliament from the County of King, New Brunswick. This distinguished gentleman arrived in the city last Wednesday. His visit is purely on business, though as a member of the law-making body of Canada, he will study the needs of the people here, in order that he can correctly inform his colleagues and with them enact such laws as will benefit the country.

Col. Domville is very frank and freely spoken. When asked by the Nugget man what had impressed him most since his arrival, he said that he was free to admit that things were in a deplorable state; that there seemed to be depression and a general lack of confidence in the administration. He said:

"The royalty must be removed at once, for it is a direct taxation on the virgin gold and makes the producer stand the brunt of expenses for the whole district. Revenue must be raised in order to pay the expenses of governing and policing the Territory; but taxation must be more equitable and reach all alike."

"What do you think of the reservation of claims by the Crown, Colonel?"

"It's the most pernicious piece of legislation Parliament ever enacted, from what conditions I find existing here. But the people must not blame any one in particular for these laws. We were every one ignorant of conditions. The impression prevailed from reports that mainly Americans held the claims here, and laws were enacted on the theory that if they wanted to work them they could pay for the privilege, or go elsewhere. Parliament never considered the propositions very seriously. But it will be different now. You will have representation in Parliament beyond doubt. Under the new act you will have local government to ascertain extent, as soon as it can be organized."

"When should the new Commissioner take hold?"

"He should arrive here by August 1, as that is the commencement of his term. He will have six counselors, and the seven will make the laws for the district. The city itself should incorporate as a municipality and then it could regulate its streets, lights, fire protection, etc."

"Colonel, as a Member of Parliament, perhaps you can tell the people if Major Walsh, as commissioner of this district, has the power to do away with royalty?"

"I think he has the power; at least, an order of his to that effect would be respected at Ottawa."

Press of business called the Colonel away before the Nugget man could get in another question. He may be heard, possibly, at the mass meeting to-night.

Colonel Domville is at the head of the Klondike Stewart Pioneers, Ltd., which is a London syndicate with much capital behind it. The company has 35 miles of timber grant at Pelly, and is operating a sawmill there now. A steamer named The James Domville is expected here with a large cargo, and another sawmill and electric light plant will be set up here. A warehouse will be built at once. He says his company is ready to invest large amounts here when it can be safely done; but that in the present muddled condition of affairs Eastern capitalists will keep their hands off. He will attend Parliament next session, and after having been here will be able to work intelligently for the most liberal mining laws for the district in order that the country may be more rapidly developed.

A Lesson on Good Breeding.

If there is one thing which exasperates a broad-gauge man more than another, it is the assuming of haughty authority by some two-penny-half-penny underling who spews his superiors in everything but courtesy and good breeding. The Nugget man had occasion some days ago to present some bills contracted by the Gold Commissioner's office, and incidentally to ask for some information on matters of momentous public importance. Out of sympathy with the weary, waiting crowd of patient miners at the front entrance of the recorder's office the Nugget man decided not to crowd his way in there but to avail himself of a convenient side door marked "Private." A diminutive type-writing apostle of Ben Johnson named Clark, who appears to have control of the opening and shutting of the entrance way, was asked:

"Will you kindly ask Mr. Fawcett at what department these papers should be presented?"

The dignified and important opener and shouter of doors immediately swelled up like a toad and with a ridiculously amusing arrogance of manner shouted out what he probably supposed to be his instructions:

"I don't know what you are thinking of, I'm sure. I tell you that neither you nor your papers can get through here. Get out of here and get in line at the front, or use the post-office. I don't care which."

With a smile the scribe made his way to Major Walsh's sanctum and was courteously received and information given him, as will be seen elsewhere in our columns.

For the benefit of pompous type-writers and over-dignified door tenders we would say that a civil answer is never quite thrown away, even on a newspaper man, and who is quite able to judge for himself whether or not he is presuming. The example of his superiors, who, however much we may differ on questions of government, are undoubtedly gentlemen both by birth and breeding—should teach Mr. Clark at least a lesson in common politeness.

Cost a Deal of Money.

Many of our readers will be somewhat surprised to learn that the cost of the bridge between Dawson and Klondike cities was nearly \$20,000. There is over 1700 feet of bridge and sidewalk, one span being 250 feet and the other 216 feet. The floating ice of the spring and fall is protected against by piers and also by the original method of bodily raising the bridge another four feet. The raising of the bridge is provided for in the construction and will not interfere with traffic in the least.

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A MASS MEETING.

To Be Held This Evening to Consider Resolutions.

In front of the N. A. T. & T. Co.'s store this Saturday evening at 7:30 a mass-meeting will be held to consider resolutions affecting the amendment of mining laws and regulations. A committee has been at work for several days preparing statistics and drafting the resolutions, and the matter will be presented in an intelligent manner and the meeting be able to act promptly and with full knowledge of the situation. A strong petition will doubtless be prepared and presented to Major Walsh, asking him to suspend some of the most objectionable regulations until action can be had at Ottawa, in order that work may proceed for the coming winter.

Every man in the camp is interested in the working of the diggings to their full capacity, but this meeting is intended for the mine owner, the prospector and the investor. These three classes should turn out en masse and help push the good work along.

LOCAL BREVITIES.

Nothing is known at headquarters of the reported incoming of the governor-general.

Late arrivals assert that when they left Benet there were fully a thousand men, at work upon the Skaguay railroad, and expected to have it in operation in three months.

The proprietor of the Jolly Old Timer is nothing if not a law-abiding citizen. On Friday night someone told him it was Saturday, and he locked up at midnight and went to bed for the usual long Sunday sleep.

One of the immediate effects of the good time Friday night was the waking of the streets all night by roommates without latch keys. From this on Mr. Walsh always have Mr. McFarland leave the key in the door mat.

P. E. Deville, known from one end of Alaska to the other as "French Pete," has opened the Central Market with select line of cigars and tobacco. His many years experience in the meat trade enable him to offer a large selection of the best meats at cut prices. Give him a call.

The only point at which tab is kept on the newcomers to the Yukon is at Tagish post. On June 19th the official register showed that 2,850 boats of all kind had cleared from there, containing 11,374 men and 240 women. At that date there were nearly another thousand boats in sight.

Dr. W. W. Tribune arrived in Dawson a few days ago, and while fixing up his office up town left his cache on the water front by the tent of some men who had come down the river with him. On Saturday, when he started to move everything to his new quarters, he discovered himself to be short a sack of sugar.

Flirting Notes.

No. 31 above will be three weeks longer on the clean-up.

No. 33 above finished cleaning up on the 14th, and the owners are well satisfied with the result.

Nos. 12 and 13 above Bonanza will finish cleaning up about July 15. The claim is now working double shifts of sixteen men. Clean-up will reach the \$100,000 notch. Mr. Price, one of the owners, expects to leave for San Francisco soon after the clean-up.

Our contemporary has a mining note to the effect that at a recent auction one claim sold for \$5,000 and another for \$7,000. One of the company that has done all the auctioneering of claims in this city desires to correct the statement, as the lowest a claim was disposed of at auction was three ounces.

A store building is being erected at Cormack's Fork, and will be ready for occupancy in about two weeks. The promoters intend putting in a large stock, and contend they will sell at Dawson prices. An hotel will be run in connection with the store. San Francisco people are behind the enterprise, and will erect some six or seven buildings.

P. H. Thornton, of Los Angeles, Cal., arrived in Dawson on the 4th inst. Mr. Thornton had a photo of his boat taken at midnight and says he would not take fifty dollars for it.

Claims a Fraud.

Simon Kisick, a young Indian speaking good English and also well educated in other branches at the Roman mission of Anvik, six hundred miles from the mouth of the river, is telling a tale of woe as long as your arm of a trip he made to Chicago and other cities of the United States last fall. He has just come back with the Geological Survey party and has retained lawyer C. M. Woodworth to prosecute his claim against a certain J. P. Light for time lost and moneys expended on that trip.

In his complaint he sets forth that last fall Mr. Light secured him for the trip to the States by a promise of \$5,000 for the two years' services. The St. Michaels Indians would not accept Light's gold dust so Kisick bought six Esquimaux dogs with good United States silver dollars. Light bought six more and a jecturing tour of the States was commenced. The Indian explored the trip but the thieves of Chicago alarmed him so that he entrusted his gold sack with Mr. Light for safe keeping. The charge is now made that Light left him this spring on the streets of Seattle flat broke and without even his dogs.

On Wednesday Mr. Light turned up with what he claims is the Indian's receipt in full. The Indian swears he never received a cent nor gave such a receipt. The matter comes up for settlement in the court this week.

The Bonanza Creek Trail.

An immense amount of work and money has been expended on the Bonanza creek trail this spring and summer, with the result that now there is a first class trail from the A. C. Co.'s store to 60 below Bonanza, the whole trail being corduroyed as far as in the 70's. Messrs. McConnell, Hamilton & Barrell are the promoters, operating a ferry at mouth of Bonanza. Work is still in progress. It may not be generally known, but the work on Third Street, right in the heart of the city, was done by this company.

Any person going on the stamped-out Dominion creek, if they don't want to be eaten by mosquitoes, should call at Hart & Cates' furniture store, opposite bank B-N-A, and get one of their linen mosquito-tents. Price \$5.

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