

NOTES FROM DOMINION.

Progress of Work on Various Claims.

Steam Thawers Are at Work and Large Dumps Are Being Taken Out—Caribou Village Thriving.

Upper Dominion will figure in the year's clean up quite extensively. Numbers 19 and 20 above upper are being worked, although at present nothing can be said of the ground. No. 17 above has a thawer and Mr. W. H. Morris reports some very fair dirt. They have a thawer at work and quite a dump is already out.

Messrs. Lloyd Aylsworth and McKay Bros. are working 16 above and have been taking out pay dirt that shows up very well, for some time.

The three Sinclair brothers have 18, 15 and 19 to work out, and if the weather will only permit drifting they expect to open up on a large scale.

E. J. Slater has a contract for himself, brother and thawer to work out No. 14 above. The warm spell has prevented much work, but they have their machinery about up and wood ready for a good winter's work. Mrs. Slater and her small daughter are on the claim, and are looking anxiously to the time when nuggets can be picked off the dump.

Alex Anderson and party have had a steam thawer on 12 above since fall and is getting out some good dumps. Eleven, ten and nine above are not being worked, but eight has men busily engaged in hoisting the dirt and Mr. Ross is well satisfied.

Seven has had a thawer at work all summer and fall and Hindle & Co. will work quite a gang of men this winter. Six is just starting work and the operations will depend on the looks of the bottom of the two shafts now being sunk.

The few claims at the mouth of and just above on Lombard will be prospected this winter. Here is a very promising creek, but the glacier prevented work last winter, although pay was located on several claims.

Joe Beck is working one above upper with steam thawer and hoist, and has a very fine piece of ground. Mrs. Beck returned from California with him and now life is far more livable for Joe. Mrs. Beck is a friend to every newspaper man who traverses Dominion creek and like the ancients, has learned the way to a (newspaper) man's heart is through his stomach.

Frank Pederman has a few men working on upper discovery, but this ground will be worked extensively next summer.

Mr. and Mrs. Casper Ellinger of two below are expected in over the ice about New Years, and active work will be started on the claim. Wood is being hauled and other preliminary work being done by his foreman.

M. J. McNeil has a large gang of men at work on 3, and a thawer at work. Miss Julian has charge of the hotel and boarding house. The claim presents one of the liveliest scenes on the creek.

No. 4 has a large steam plant and is being very extensively worked, while 5 is waiting for spring and summer, when Messrs. McAlpine and Johnston will utilize steam in every way known to late mining.

Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Simpson are located on the bench on 5, where they were all summer. Mr. Simpson has recovered from his long illness of typhoid and is superintending the tunneling with his thawing machine. An incline and car is being utilized.

Andrew Holsted has just received his machinery on 6 and will soon have it in operation. Mrs. Minna Holmes formerly with the McNeil hotel, has charge of the culinary department and the satisfied smiles of the boys speak of her efficiency in that line.

CARIBOU CITY NOTES.

Albert Andrews has opened up a first-class barbership in the Caribou hotel.

Messrs. Smith and McLean have a blacksmith shop and are kept quite busy.

A new grocery store has just been opened up and two doctors have their headquarters here.

Mr. Fisher has just completed a two-story building and will open up a bakery and coffee house.

This young city is growing very rapidly. White Bros. have completed their two-story hotel and will soon be opened up for business.

Like all thriving towns the police

court is in evidence and last week Al Bartlett, a Mr. Cameron and Killington were fined \$10 for disturbing the peace. The trouble occurred after the grand masque ball Thanksgiving night.

The Nugget Express and Klondike Nugget have a local office and corresponding bureau on 27, and keep a nice stock of magazines, legal papers and novels.

Fountain pens, pocketbooks, china-ware and a fine—O, pshaw! come and see for yourself the Xmas stock of the Pioneer Drug Store.

Warm offices for rent in the A. C. Co. office building. M. I. Stevens, Room 3, agent.

New Rex ham and bacon at Mohr & Wilkens.

Nugget jewelry to order at Sale & Co.

A GENUINE SEA SERPENT.

A 17-Foot Monster Captured Near Vancouver.

Vancouver, B. C., Nov. 23.—The sea serpent, so long regarded as hardly more than a myth, can be held so no longer, for a creature that answers very well to the description so often given of it has been captured in Eglatat rapids, not far from this city and exhibited, before its death, to thousands of people here.

Cover the body of a 17 foot serpent with scales, attach to it above and below and for its full length, a long, flowing mane, and to this creation add the head of a wolf, with rows of grinning teeth, and the result will be very much such a monster as has just died in this city, its body now being in process of preservation. It has been viewed by members of the Harlan Smith and Dr. Boaz parties, now representing the Smithsonian Institution in this vicinity, but they have not been able to classify it.

D. H. Forbes and Simon Ryan, two Vancouver fishermen, were its captors. They were fishing for cod in Euclatat rapids when they first saw it in pursuit of a fish which one of the men was drawing to their canoe. Forbes threw a cod spear at it and succeeded in striking it.

But it was one thing to strike and quite another thing to capture it. The spear held, and the monster started away at a rate that threatened to capsize the boat dragging behind it. Finally Ryan succeeded in planting his spear in the creature's body, and by means of the double hold thus secured, they at last hauled their strange captive into the canoe.

But the question whether they were captors or captured was in abeyance for some time longer. For the hideous serpent made a desperate fight for life and liberty. With his paddle Ryan attempted to hold it down, but it seized the paddle blade between its teeth and splintered it into fragments. In the meantime, however, Forbes was beating it with his paddle and it apparently succumbed. It was then placed in a box of water and the men concluded that they were the victors in the struggle. This conclusion seemed subject to revision thereafter, as the monster once again revived and made another unsuccessful attempt to get at his captors.

Forbes and Ryan took their captive, still living, to Shoal bay, where the Indians regarded it with a mixture of fear and superstitious reverence, refusing to come near the sloop in which it was kept.

Thence it was brought to Vancouver, and in this city it was viewed by thousands before its death, four days later. Among these thousands, scientists and others, was not a person who had either seen or heard of such a creature except it might have been in the presumably fabulous narratives relating to sea-serpents. After the body has been preserved, it will be sold to the British Columbia Museum or to some similar British institution.

Arctic Brotherhood.

Dawson Camp, No. 4, Arctic Brotherhood, held an interesting meeting Friday night in the regular meeting place, McDonald's hall. Among other business transacted it was decided to reduce the initiation fee from \$20 to \$10 until the charter roll is completed. Applications for membership in the order are rapidly being handed in, and in the course of a few weeks the business man of Dawson who is not an Arctic Brother will be hard to locate.

Literal Interpretation.

Thirsty Thornton—Wot do yer understand 'n' public spirit?
Soiled Sammy—Openin' barrels fer de crowd.—N. Y. Journal.

The Nugget Express has established an office at 28 below upper, Dominion. Orders for expressage on the creeks or to the outside may be left at any branch office or given to messengers.

NEW LAWS ARE IN EFFECT.

Posted in Gold Commissioner's Office on Dec. 9.

Two Hundred Dollars Will Represent a Claim—Unrepresented Ground Will Revert to the Crown.

The following is the full text of the new law governing representation and relocation of ground. The fact that the law had been passed was published in The Nugget some weeks ago. The complete order is published here for the information of all interested.

Order 39—Any free miner having duly located and recorded a mining claim shall be entitled to hold it from a period of one year from the recording of the same, and thereafter from year to year by re-recording the same, provided, however, that during such year and each succeeding year such free miner shall do or cause to be done work on the claim itself to the value of \$200, and shall satisfy the mining recorder that such work has been done by an affidavit of the free miner corroborated by two reliable and disinterested witnesses setting out a detailed statement of the work done, and shall obtain from the mining recorder a certificate of such work having been done, for which a fee of \$2 will be charged.

Provided, that all work done outside of a mining claim with intent to do the same shall, if such work has direct relation and be in direct proximity to the claim, be deemed, if to the satisfaction of a responsible government officer, to be done on the claim for the purpose of this action.

Provided, further, that any free miner or company of free miners holding claims not exceeding eight in number may, notwithstanding anything in the regulations to the contrary, work the same in partnership under the provision of the regulations upon filing a notice of their intention with the mining recorder and upon obtaining a certificate from him for which a fee of \$2 will be charged. This certificate will entitle the holders thereof to perform on any one or more of such claims all the work required to entitle him or them to a certificate of work for each claim so held by him or them. If such certificate shall not be obtained and recorded in each and every year, the claim shall be deemed to be abandoned.

The holder of a claim may at his option in lieu of the work required to be done thereon each year pay to the mining recorder the sum of \$200 for each of the first three years, but for the fourth and succeeding years the sum of \$400 must be paid in lieu of the work done on the location or in connection therewith, as provided by the regulations. A certificate from the mining recorder that such payment has been made shall relieve the person making it from the necessity of doing any work during the year.

If at the end of the year the annual amount of work has not been done, nor the commutation fee paid as above stated, the sum of \$250 shall be charged against the claim and the amount shall constitute a lien on such claim and no transfer of title to such claim shall be recorded until the said amount of \$250 shall be paid to the mining recorder.

If the lien is not discharged by payment at the expiration of three months from the end of the year, the claim shall revert to the crown, and shall not be open for relocation, and maybe disposed of as the minister of the interior may direct.

No claim forfeited from whatsoever cause shall be relocated, but every such claim shall revert to the crown to be disposed of as the minister of the interior shall direct.

Any amounts received in lieu of assessment work shall form part of the consolidated revenue.

Posted at Dawson the 9th of Dec. 1899.

Toilet paper in sheets and rolls at Reid & Co., chemists.

A good time for the boys is waiting at Louis Cature's on Hunker.

Kellogg's steam laundry takes the cake on flannels; try him and be convinced. On scow, foot of Second street, south.

"Uneasy lies the head that wears a crown." Jenkins & Johnson could give his royal nibs a pointer as to that. Have you seen our Klondike matterses?

A shaft 40 feet deep wouldn't hold the "O, my's!" people drop on looking into the Pioneer Drug Store. It's near Xmas.

In O'Day's Behalf.

Mrs. James O'Day, in behalf of her husband, with whose late acts the readers of The Nugget are familiar, is circulating the following petition, and it is but justice to the lady and her unfortunate husband to state that it is being signed by 49 in every 50 persons to whom it is presented:

To His Lordship, Mr. Justice Dugas, Judge of the Territorial Court:

We, the undersigned residents of Dawson and vicinity do humbly pray that in passing sentence upon James O'Day, who has pleaded guilty before your lordship of having stolen certain goods from the Yukon Iron Works that you give to the prisoner the benefit of all leniency possible, because of the following reasons, which, we humbly submit, extenuate his guilt.

The prisoner's past record has been an honorable and an upright one and this, his first offense, seems to have been committed in moments of weakness and without the malice and criminal intent which would characterize the actions of an old offender. The prisoner has pleaded guilty and has thrown himself upon the mercy of the court, and as the ends of justice will be as well subserved by the imposition of a light sentence, we therefore humbly pray that your lordship be pleased to consider this, our petition and your petitioners, as in duty bound, will always pray, etc.

We are not baldheaded, we use Bearlina. Reid & Co., First ave.

The people's verdict—Cribbs & Rogers have the handsomest and most complete store in town. Third ave., opp. the Pavilion.

Scow Island

Is now the base of supplies for Dawson in certain lines of goods, and Sargent & Pinsky have just received from that point a large stock of buck mittens, wool mitts, moccasins and German socks.

Pocket ink stands, the very latest. Nugget office.

That cold of yours—we can cure it. Cribbs & Rodgers, druggists.

Merry Christmas.

That Christmas will be observed royally in the Klondike goes without saying. Many of our local lights are making great preparations for that memorable time and, fun and jollity will be the order of the day. At Nigger Jim's Pavilion there is to be given on Christmas night a masked ball which promises to be the jolliest thing that ever happened. Prizes will be offered both to ladies and gentlemen and a hilarious time is assured. Murray Eads and Geo. Noble, the present managers, are doing everything possible to make the event a success.

Get lowest prices at the Ames Mercantile Co.

Fine line of Christmas cards. Nugget office.

Dawson's only qualified horse and dog doctor. Dr. Strong, D. V. S., Pioneer barber shop.

The Nugget Express has made a special rate of 50 cents for carrying the Nugget's special illustrated edition to the coast.

LOST AND FOUND

LOST—Monday, between Hunker creek and Dawson, money belt containing \$125. Leave at this office; \$25 reward.

FOUND—A yellow female Shwash dog; owner can have same after paying expenses. Apply 35a below discovery on Sulphur.

FOR SALE.

FOR SALE—Steam thawer. Apply at office of Nugget Express.

FOR SALE—Webster's complete unabridged dictionary. Apply Nugget office.

FOR SALE—One of the best cabins in Dawson; good location; 4 blocks from business center. Apply Nugget office.

FOR RENT

FOR RENT—Two-story galvanized iron building near Klondike bridge; will rent cheap to proper parties. Call on M. I. Stevens, room 14, A. C. Co. office building.

PROFESSIONAL CARDS

MINING ENGINEERS.
TYRRELL & GREEN—Mining Engineers and Dominion Land Surveyors. Office, Harper st., Dawson.

JOHN B. WARDEN, F. I. C.—Assayer for Bank of British North America. Gold dust melted and assayed. Assays made of quartz and black sand. Analyses of ores and coal.

PHYSICIANS AND SURGEONS
J. H. KOONS, M. D.; A. C. Building.

LAWYERS
WADE & AIKMAN—Advocates, Notaries, etc. Office, Bonfield Building, opposite A. C. Store, Dawson.

BURRITT & MCKAY—Advocates, Solicitors, Notaries, etc. Offices, A. C. Office Building. Safety deposit box in A. C. vaults.

TABOR & HULME—Barristers and Solicitors; Advocates; Notaries Public; Conveyancers. Offices, Green Tree Bldg.

PATTULLO & RIDLEY—Advocates, Notaries, Conveyancers, etc. Offices, First Avenue.