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USE THE FEDERAL REVENUES.

The Dominion government should shoulder a very large portion of the expenditures involved in furnishing the Yukon territory with a system of roads, such as is required by present conditions. Nearly all the revenue now at the disposal of the Yukon council is derived from the town of Dawson. This revenue is obtained principally from the court fines, from liquor licenses and liquor permits.

The proportion of licenses and permits used outside of Dawson is small, and the records will also show that most of the offenses which come before the courts are committed in the town.

The road building problem is essentially one which should be cared for from the federal revenues. The big revenues which are derived from the territory come from the creeks. The royalties, claim renewals, miners' licenses, representation fees, etc., are all taxed against the man who is working on his claim, and who is most vitally interested in seeing that quick and economical communication is established between his claim and the center from which he secures his supplies.

Under existing conditions, when machinery and other supplies for the creeks are landed from Seattle or Vancouver at Dawson, the miner is fortunate if he has paid one-half of the freight bill which will be charged against his goods before they are finally placed on his claim.

In other words, it now costs as much, and it may cost more, to transport goods from Dawson to the various creeks than it does to place them on the wharf at Dawson from the point of original shipment.

Ridiculous and absurd as such a condition is, nevertheless, that is precisely the condition which exists in the Yukon territory today, and which has existed for the past three years.

A portion of the immense revenues which are ground out of the mining population, as indicated above, should be made available for road construction.

The miners pay the taxes, and the miners need the roads. It would seem, therefore, nothing more than right and fair that the enormous revenues should, in part, be applied to the work of furnishing the man who pays the taxes, with economical means of placing his freight upon his claim.

There are few expenditures of public moneys which the Yukon council have made that have served a more useful purpose than the funds which have been devoted to the maintenance of the public reading room. This institution has furnished a large class of men with the opportunity of spending their leisure hours during the winter in pleas-

ant and wholesome employment, when otherwise they would have been loafing around resorts, the very atmosphere of which is unhealthy and contaminated. The council should go over the ground very carefully, and endeavor to find some less important corner to be lopped off, before reaching a determination to close down the reading room.

The gold commissioner's office has been the subject of a great deal of unpleasant criticism in the past. Accusations of illegal transactions, said to have occurred within its doors, have been made at various times, and have been strenuously denied, both in Dawson and on the outside. A specific case is now on trial before the court, which should serve in a measure to determine whether the accusations which have been made are based upon fact or are without foundation. The case is of much importance, inasmuch as far-reaching results will accrue from it in the event that the trial results successfully to the prosecution.

Our good friend and neighbor, the News, which has been stigmatized by the alleged government spokesman as being the local "Boer organ," endeavors to square itself by means of a learned discussion upon the disposition which should be made of Kruger and Steyn when they are caught. The News would have served the country to far better advantage had it devoted itself to a solution of the problem of catching Messrs. Kruger and Steyn. It will be easy enough to take care of them after they are captured.

Last night's entertainment was a splendid success, both from an artistic and a financial standpoint: The artists and musicians, who so generously contributed their services, are entitled to the thanks not only of those who had the affair in charge, but of the general public as well. The character of the entertainment was such as would have done credit to any metropolitan city.

No Stopping Place.
There is a wealthy, but very hard headed citizen of Detroit who has no hesitancy in telling this story on himself:

"If there's anything on earth grinds me, it is to plunge into the social swim. I'd rather plunge into an ice cold bath. One of these here steel pen coats make me want to go out and hide in the hayloft, and a standing collar puts me into arouch for a week after I've worn it.

"But you know how women are. They'll stand right by you when living is up hill work, skim, hustle and save, but once they get money they want a show for it, and the bigger the show the better. Things sorter come my way in pine, and I cleaned up a neat little pile. I just grinned at carriages, horses, a coachman, a lot of servants a-smoking round the house, receptions, theater parties and all that sort of thing.

"But when they rung in a genuine butler on me I had a warm conversation with mamma and the girls. It didn't do a mite of good. They talked me clean off my feet, and the butler came. I could have got away passably with the president of the United States, but that fellow, stiff backed, high headed, looking superior-like and never smiling, less it was to stab you, riled me awful. One day while sitting in the library I heard him tell one of the maids he was going to resign. 'What for?' she asked. 'The last lady as called took me for the barbarian'—that's me.

"For years I dealt with raftsmen and lumbermen. I paid his bill for six weeks in the hospital and his wages, too. We keep no butler."—Detroit Free Press.

Naval Brigades.
London, April 30.—The Gazette this evening contains dispatches from Rear-Admiral Harris, commanding the British South African station, reporting the proceedings of the naval brigades at Belmont, Gras Pan and Colesno. They throw little new light on the battles,

but show that the courage and determination of the naval men were beyond praise, and their assistance to the military authorities invaluable.

Lieut. Archibald Deas of the third-class cruiser Philomel, in the report of his proceedings with four naval guns at Gras Pan, where he was detailed to attack two strong kopjes on either side of the railroad retates how, after two hours' shelling, he received orders to retire. He continues: "The Royal artillery on the right had already moved off when I got the order, and the Boer guns, having got our range accurately, were pouring in on us such an effective shrapnel fire that I judged it to be impossible to carry out the order without leaving the guns or suffering very heavy losses. I therefore continued to fire on the Boer guns with such effect as to put them out of action, first one and then another. For 15 to 20 minutes at a time their shells burst with the utmost accuracy. Our guns and ammunition trolley were spattered all over with shrapnel-balls, but owing to my system of making all hands lie down when the Boer guns flashed, we had only six wounded, when after an hour and a half the Boers abandoned their position."

A Game Young Boxer.
That he woke up to find himself famous overnight may be said literally of "Kid" Broad, the clever young feather-weight boxer from Cleveland. He sprang from mediocrity into the front ranks at a bound by his decisive victory recently over Joe Bernstein. Previous to that encounter he had been rated as on a par with a lot of other little fellows in his own class. Now he is regarded by some as destined to grasp the mantle worn by Terry McGovern.

Although Broad has been in the ring for several years, but one defeat has been recorded against him. George Dixon, the ex-champion featherweight, gained the decision over him last May after they had been engaged in 20 rounds of hot work. Broad, moreover, has met and defeated many good men. His victories over Jack Hamilton, Dave Sullivan and Joe Bernstein surely stamp him as a boxer of rare merit.

Broad's defeat of Bernstein was no fluke, but a well earned victory clearly demonstrated all through the encounter. He had Joe groggy and all but out in the first round and showed his superiority throughout the whole affair. In the seventh round he knocked Bernstein clean off his feet.

Broad is a Briton by birth, though an American now. He was born in Wales 22 years ago, but was brought to this country when only 2 years old by his parents, who still reside in Cleveland.

Aggressive, daring and quick, Broad in many respects resembles Terry McGovern in his style of fighting. Always anxious to do the leading and quick to see and take advantage of an opening, he forces the fighting from beginning to end. Like the Brooklyn whirlwind, he neither drinks, smokes, nor chews and indulges in none of the vices so common to many of his class. He makes it a point to keep in training all the time and is always ready to face his opponent at 124 pounds at short notice—Exchange.

"Old Subscriber's" Kick.
"How does it happen that you are reading the Bugle this morning? I thought the Daily Planet was your favorite paper?"
"I used to like it, but I've stopped it."

"Politics?"
"No. It printed a notice of my daughter's wedding under the head of 'Games of Chance.' I never want to touch the scurrilous sheet again!"—Chicago Post.

Preparing for Nome.
Ever since Dawson has been on the map her boneyard for little boats has been the Klondike river from its mouth up to a distance of a mile or more. At the present time there is great activity there. All manner of craft is being hauled out on the flats and re-calced and repaired preparatory to starting down the river to Kaltag with Nome-bound pilgrims, many of whom will get away within a few days in addition to the number already gone. It is expected that a second hand dealer in boats could secure a good stock at small cost at Kaltag this summer, but his chances of sluffing off the stock might not be good.

Parties having mining ground partially worked, or full claims favorably situated, can find a purchaser through Norton D. Walling, Grand Forks. c6-3

When in town, stop at the Regina.

Shoff, the Dawson Dog Doctor, Pioneer Drug Store.

Same old price, 25 cents, for drinks at the Regina.

Ice Depot.
Julian Blaker has bought the ice bin of Judge Morford and is now ready to deliver ice in any part of the city. His office is at the ice depot on First avenue, where you can leave orders and they will be promptly filled. cr7

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