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### WILL THE MINERS HELP THEMSELVES.

In the last issue of the Nugget appeared over the signature of Mr. Tappan Adney a very strong censure, directed against Crown Prosecutor Wade. While Mr. Adney did not make any specific charges, for reasons which the article itself explains, the Nugget is of the opinion that the affair has reached such a stage that it deserves the attention of parliament.

In this issue we again set forth the abuses which are daily being inflicted upon the men who are endeavoring to do legitimate business through the gold commissioner's office.

The question now arises, how long are the miners going to submit to such outrages? How long are they willing to act the part of sheep and allow themselves to be shorn through official corruption and incompetence? Is the thing going to continue until the wrath of an outraged community breaks out in riot and insurrection or will the victims of this systematic fleecing, organize for their own defence and fight their battles as they should be fought?

A miners' association is now being organized. Properly and heartily supported by the miners and claim owners of this country, that association can and will secure redress. But it must have the miners back of it. They must enroll in its membership and stand man to man and shoulder to shoulder in defence of their rights. In that way and in that way alone will their rights be protected.

### NO "BOOMS."

Dawson is today suffering to a mighty extent the effects of a "boom." With the advent of the first treasure ship to the Sound a little over a year ago, avaricious and sensational journals seized the opportunity to hawk their wares broadcast over the land, inducing thousands in all conditions of life, many indeed, to leave lucrative positions and with outfits sufficient and insufficient hasten to the land pictured as simply glittering with gold. The result has been a "boom" in Dawson within six months never equaled in the world's annals. Disappointment, disaster and degradation have come to hundreds, led falsely through those very acts of sensationalism.

That this country is rich goes without question. That Dawson as a basis of supplies for hundreds of miles about, has a permanency and foundation for a future in business upon a substantial footing cannot but impress all, but Dawson is not, and should not be a "boom" town. A certain amount of labor can be employed here but no more. We are led to these remarks from a glance at a copy of *The Klondike News*, Vol. 1, No. 1, dated at Dawson, April 1, 1898, almost five months ago. It is a most meritorious work from an artistic and mechanical standpoint, and to its publishers although unacquainted, we have only the kindest of feelings. Yet, believing in the permanency and future of Dawson, we cannot but look upon publications of this style and make-up as other than an advertising scheme and "boom" edition.

It has no office in Dawson, is not identified with her interests, has no pay roll to the extent of one dollar in this city, and every copper spent upon its production was delivered to newspaper and engraving offices having no interests in any way connected with Dawson or her advancement. Thousands of dollars are thus taken from Dawson with no adequate returns. If the *News* was to make its home with us here, establish its plant, at least live among us, none would more gladly welcome it than the *Nugget*. A "Summer Edition" is now proposed, the "Winter Edition" having just appeared. Still if the people care for that sort of enjoyment we presume we should be satisfied. With a firm belief in the reality and future of Dawson, built upon the rock of substantiability, we reiterate the *Nugget* is opposed to booms.

### NO GROUND FOR ANOTHER RUSH.

It is to be hoped that the predicted rush to Dawson will fail to materialize this fall. Many people have been led to believe that when the treasure ships arrived at Seattle and San Francisco another great stampede over the passes and down the river would occur. The fact that the war is rapidly drawing to a close has given color to the belief, for it is to be expected that when interest in that all absorbing topic has abated somewhat on the outside, the eyes of a great many people will turn again to the north.

We sincerely hope, however, that enough of the real truth concerning the Klondike country will be told on the outside to warn people against coming here without thoroughly investigating the situation before they start. The ridiculous and exaggerated stories that have been, and are being circulated by interested persons and newspapers on the outside should be stopped. It is only a plain statement of fact to say that a man who comes to Dawson without resources other than his own strength will fail, in nine cases out of ten to realize or even approach a realization of his expectations.

There are some men who love to be duped and hoodwinked. They willingly believe all the fairy stories they hear concerning the lavish distribution of gold in this country simply because they wish the thing were true. Once they reach Dawson their eyes are opened. They ascertain the fact that there are rich claims in the country. But they also find out that all claims of known value were long ago taken. They find out that all the working claims combined will not afford employment to the men who are here already and after a few trips across the country with packs on their backs they reach the conclusion that if in the end they do secure a good claim it will be only after undergoing the utmost privation and hardship.

We make this plain statement for the simple reason that we believe no community will be injured by telling the simple truth concerning it. We know of the present wealth of the Klondike country. We are firmly convinced that it has before it a future exceedingly bright, but we say again that there is absolutely nothing in sight as yet to justify another rush into this country such as occurred last fall and spring.

### THE KLONDIKE OUTPUT.

The full royalty returns for the Klondike district are not yet in. The amount collected so far is about \$353,000. The royalty, as every one knows, is 10 per cent of the gross output, excepting the first \$2500. Ten times the royalty would be three and a half millions, which, if there had been no exemptions, would stand as the output of this section for the past season. The exemptions, numerous as they undoubtedly were, could not possibly raise that amount to more than five to seven millions, which is probably the very outside figure. What then can be thought of our typographically and artistically elegant four-times-a-year contemporary which in an edition of 100,000 copies sets forth to the world in gilt letters an inch high that the output is \$40,000,000? The *Klondike News* has multiplied the true figures by at least five, and if such outlandish statements go to Ottawa uncontradicted who knows

but the promised 2 per cent royalty may be increased to 20%

But the Ottawa government is getting wiser than to swallow the exaggerated statements of "boom" papers like the *P-I.* or the *Klondike News*, and we sincerely trust the rest of the American continent may be the same.

### DISEASE PRODUCERS.

We desire to draw the attention of the authorities to the sanitary conditions now prevailing in and around Dawson. The number of sick people in the city is increasing at an alarming rate. The hospitals are crowded with patients and an unknown number of persons in various stages of illness are scattered around the city in tents and cabins.

While it may be true that a great deal of the sickness is the result of hardships and privations met on the trail, it is undoubtedly a fact that Dawson as a place of residence, at the present time at least is anything but healthy. This is partially due to the peculiar character of the area composing the townsite. The marsh between the water front and the hill east of town is still covered in places with stagnant water despite the efforts that have been made to drain it. And of course the warmer the days become, the more water is brought to the surface.

But it is right along the water front and First avenue that the greatest nuisances are found. Ill-smelling pools of water, and heaps of filth - ideal breeders of disease germs can be seen by anyone who will walk for a block or two along First avenue. Indeed a person does not require the use of the sense of sight to learn the facts for the stench in some places is simply sickening.

Dawson cannot afford to have her fair name tarnished by reason of the existence of such nuisances. We hope that those responsible will see to it that some effective remedy is applied and that at an early date.

### Removal.

After Saturday, August 27th, the Canadian Bank of Commerce will be found in the new premises, between the Barracks and the Gold Commissioners office.

A downtown branch will be opened for the accommodation of the bank's customers, shortly.

H. T. WILLS, Manager.

Have your prescriptions filled by Kelly & Co. Druggists, Front street.

Are you buying your drugs at the Pioneer Drug Store?

Staple and Fancy Sundries. Complete stock. Kelly & Co., Druggists, Front street.

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FOR FIRST CLASS MEALS  
Reasonable Prices. Try It

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IN CHARGE OF THE SISTERS OF ST. ANNE.

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Rear of Townsite Company's Office

**Bennett Lake & Klondike Nav. Co.**

**Strs. Ora, Flora & Nora**

SAILING WEEKLY

**Head of Lake Bennett**

OFFICE: 2 DOORS BELOW NUGGET OFFICE  
H. TEMPLE FALL, Agent.

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Dealers in

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Highest cash price paid for provisions and all kinds of merchandise.

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90-92 Columbia Street, Seattle, Wash.  
Seattle No. 3 and Barges will leave Dawson for St. Michaels and down river points on or about Aug. 28, and connect with our A. R. S. S. Alliance for Seattle.

**THE PACIFIC-ALASKA EX. CO.**  
Operates over our line and handles Express Matter for all points.

Orders for freight coming in will be handled promptly. Goods insured en transit and stored at Dawson and other down river points 90 days free of charge. This enables miners to prospect with a light outfit, and call for their goods when permanent camp is located.

We are the only established company carrying freight for shippers to the various points on the Yukon.  
For rates and other information, call on  
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European and American Plan

FINE CUISINE

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EVERY MODERN IMPROVEMENT

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YOU WANT THE BEST? OF COURSE YOU DO!

CHOICE LIQUORS, WINES, MIXED DRINKS AND CIGARS

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"THE NEW ENGLAND"

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HALL, MCKINNEY & YOUNG, Proprietors

KLONDIKE CITY

Finest Brands of

Wines, Liquors and Cigars

# THE KLONDIKE HOTEL

DAWSON

NELSON SMITH, Proprietor

Each room furnished with fine spring beds and modern comforts

EUROPEAN PLAN - FINE RESTAURANT IN CONNECTION

FINEST WINES, LIQUORS AND CIGARS

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ASH & MANNING, Proprietors

Choicest Wines, Liquors and Cigars

Expert Mixologists

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FRONT STREET DAWSON

# Combination Saloon

Is the Place to go for fun and amusement. Finest kind of Liquors and Cigars.

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# The "Monte Carlo"

FINEST BAR IN DAWSON

QUALITY OF WINES AND LIQUORS THE HIGHEST

Mixed Drinks a Specialty

HIGHEST GRADES OF CIGARS

# THE OPERA HOUSE

BAKKE, WILSON & PETERSON Proprietors

DAWSON

Headquarters for Best of

Wines, Liquors and Cigars

Mixed Drinks a Specialty

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