

DOWN WITH WRONG.

The Gold Commissioner Is Reversed at Ottawa.

AND A MINER WINS HIS GROUND BACK FROM OFFICIALS.

Hardy, the Official, Is Downed and Harvey, the Miner, Installed.

And The Nugget Rejoices Over the Victory as if it Were Its Own—Congratulations for an Honest Man Are Now in Order—The First Victorious Appeal—Many More Will Now Undoubtedly Go to Ottawa.

Good, and good again. Private advices received in Dawson show at last the dilatory righting of the biggest jobbery that ever emanated from a gold commissioner's office, notoriously the hotbed of such jobs. Our readers will remember the Nugget expose of the awarding to an official of a valuable piece of ground on Gold Hill which had been persistently and for months occupied by and refused to an honest miner. It was the infamous case of

Harvey vs. Hardy.

The story must be retold in order to fully appreciate the infamy which is now squashed. Hardy, an employe of the government stationed at Dawson; Madden, the mining inspector himself; Riley, another attache of the government; Hinton, another attache, and various other employes of the government, in September last ousted the rightful claimant to the ground in question, and with the sanction and approval of the then gold commissioner deliberately jailed the man for sticking up for his rights. The police and all were called into requisition to enforce the mandates of the gold commissioner, and now it is declared on the highest authority in the land that the ground was always poor Harvey's. Harvey brought a protest before Gold Commissioner Senkler and was decided against. And now

Senkler Has Been Reversed.

and the wicked plot of the government employes to rob a poor defenseless miner has fallen to the ground, because of the aggressive stand taken first by The Nugget and afterwards by Attorney Woodworth for the defrauded man.

But listen to the story of the scheme, and then see if The Nugget is not correct in calling the old gold commissioner's office a hot-bed of corruption.

In the month of September, a year ago, Gold Hill claims were 100x100 feet. Harvey prospected and located the ground. Surveyor Gibbons was engaged to survey the ground, and proved it to be vacant and a full-sized claim. Harvey put in his stakes right behind the surveyor and applied for a certificate of record. From the 16th to the 24th the office stood him off, and Harvey had to return and relocate the ground so that the 10 days of grace between staking and recording might not expire. The ground had become known as valuable, and a record was still refused. Fawcett and Ogilvie were appealed to in vain, for the pair of them were blind to their plain duty in the case. At last Harvey notified all parties that he was going back to the ground to work it and would remain on it until removed by force.

One Month Afterwards.

Fawcett's office issued a grant to the ground to Thomas W. Hardy. Another month elapsed before the conspirators summoned up sufficient courage to officially dispossess the hard-working Harvey, who was sinking and working like a Trojan. Harvey was ordered to quit by the inspector, and

was afterwards hauled to town and jailed for refusing. However he was liberated without a trial and returned to his ground to find it being worked by clerk Hardy's men. And now it turns out that Hardy's illegal interest in the ground is divided up amongst a whole nest full of officials, not the least being the inspector of mines, Madden, and Thomas Reilly, the gentleman whom Ogilvie thinks so much of that he has honored him above all others by making him a special emissary to Ottawa to carry the results of that farcical royal investigation of last winter.

Then Harvey protested through The Nugget and through his attorney, but when the case was finally allowed to come to trial before Commissioner Senkler that gentleman decided in favor of his fellow officials, and poor Harvey was almost discouraged. However, his attorney appealed to Ottawa and made such strong representations of the many palpable frauds being practiced in the case that the Minister of the Interior has been forced to decide against both Fawcett and Senkler and put the gang out in the cold, so far as this particular ground is concerned.

And now what becomes of all these squabbles over the ground between the officials themselves? Interests are claimed in the ground to the extent of some sixteen fifths, a manifest absurdity which shows dishonorable acts somewhere.

It is really a cause of great rejoicing that at last the stench of the Yukon scandal has been made so prominent that even the Ottawa government is forced to desert its creatures at this place and let them sink or swim for themselves. There is victory in the air and many a despondent miner defrauded of his holdings now wishes he had joined hands with The Nugget and the others engaged in exposing official crookedness.

A letter read at the royal investigation was from Ottawa to Fawcett and assured him that all his decisions would be upheld at the capital unless they became too rank entirely. We may opine from this that the decision in the Harvey affair was even too rank for the case-hardened members of the governor's council.

A Lodge Room.

The undersigned wants tenders from the owners or managers of halls suitable for a lodge room.

A. F. GEORGE, Nugget Office. Special Deputy of the Arctic Brotherhood.

Notice of Flyer Line.

The firm of Nels Peterson & Co., has been this day dissolved. Mr. David H. Pingree having withdrawn therefrom and having sold to me all his interest in said firm as well as in the above company. All debts owing to the firm are payable at the Dawson office.

NELS PETERSON.

Dated Dawson, Sept. 5th, 1899.

Pocket memo books, counter blotters, time books, pens, pencils, ink, mullage, paper fasteners, letter paper and writing tablets for sale at Nugget office.

A Distinguished M. P. in Town.

The Hon. D. C. Fraser, a member of the Liberal government from Nova Scotia, is in the Klondike district, and is now touring the creeks with the late Mining Inspector McGregor. Mr. Fraser is a strong man with his party, has held several lucrative offices, and could have another for the asking. This being so, we trust he will take off his party spectacles and see things as they really are, and not with the bias of a man bound to defend his party's acts, no matter how inexcusable. A Liberal member with a personal knowledge of affairs at Dawson, and a not too fine perception of truth to prevent a distortion of facts to party purposes, would just now be almost invaluable. The Yukon scandal grows apace, and it is in Mr. Fraser's power to do the country much good by proper representations just at this particular time. We trust he will overlook party in advocating relief from the present oppressive legislation, in which case the whole country will rise up and call him blessed.

POLICE COURT ITEMS.

Col. Steele let off E. Smith, but told him to throw no more garbage on the water front.

Emil Stauf was fined one dollar and costs for discharging firearms within the city limits on last Sunday.

Vera Holmes plead not guilty to a charge of being an inmate of a house of ill-fame. Her case will be tried the latter part of the week.

J. G. Purdue is charged by G. W. Hainsborough with stealing a roll or two of tar paper, but the affair promises to resolve itself into a civil suit.

W. T. Garrett has charged H. J. Coates, of No. 4 below Lower Dominion of stealing pay dirt from the claim of complainant. The case will be decided tomorrow.

Alexander Dierkes has charged A. D. Osburn with the theft of four horses, three pack saddles, two riding saddles, and two blankets. The case was tried before Col. Steele, on Monday, and judgment reserved till 2 o'clock the following day.

Joseph Cook accuses Martin A. Phillips with a shovel, three picks and two axe handles, and also with stealing a pocket-book containing accounts and vouchers. Phillips has pleaded not guilty, and the issue will be tried some day during the week.

George De Lion, of West Dawson, is desirous of experiencing the feelings of a prosecuting witness, and has accused Dan Stuart of stealing a monkey wrench. Dan was arrested, and, pending trial, was liberated on his own recognizance. The police do not expect that he will appear when the case is called.

The following suits for wages have been instituted in Col. Steele's court: C. R. Staples against Frank King, the painter, for \$331; David Wilson against John Lemen for \$39; Dan B. MacNeill against Murray S. Eads for the sum of \$800; Morris Marks against J. F. Reilly for \$40; Ben Sonoquinn against Grotzcher et al. for \$86.85.

Last June, on a creek six miles this side of Lake Teslin, A. H. Anderson and H. E. Hudson were robbed of a box of carpenter tools, provisions and camping outfit. They suspect a man named Brown of the crime, and have caused the issuance of a search warrant, by the aid of which they expect to recover their property from aboard a raft, now lying at Klondike City.

Mrs. A. Larson charges that on last Monday A. S. Courtney committed a nuisance in the vicinity of Mrs. Larson's cabin on Second street, and in the presence of the little daughter of Mrs. Larson; the mother remonstrated, and Courtney struck her with his fist. A warrant has been issued for Courtney's arrest, but thus far, he has been successful in evading the officers.

George Williams, a desperate character, who has been under suspicion for some time past, and who has been in jail two or three times during the last four months, was arrested the latter part of last week, and convicted of carrying concealed weapons; he was fined \$50 and costs, in default of payment of which he will be obliged to saw wood for the next two months.

Pocket memo books, counter blotters, time books, pens, pencils, ink, mullage, paper fasteners, letter paper and writing tablets for sale at Nugget office.

Private dining and wine rooms at the Cafe Royal.

City Messenger service. The Nugget Express. Office in the Aurora block.

PERSONAL MENTION.

Mrs. George Hunter, of 9 below Bonanza, was visiting Dawson friends last Tuesday.

Georgie Grant has departed for Nome, with the intention of going on to Seattle if Nome should not prove promising.

The Victorian brought in Mrs. C. A. Johnston and child, and now Johnston is traveling up and down Sulphur with a smile from ear to ear.

Jim Hall, who went to Whitehorse several days ago, has made investments in some copper properties in that vicinity. It is not expected that he will return here for about two weeks.

Frank Simons, who since the fore part of June has had a one third interest in the Opera House, will withdraw from the business on Thursday morning. He and some of the members of the Opera House troupe will go outside on the next trip of the Reindeer, of which boat Mr. Simons recently became part owner.

The Victorian came in Tuesday morning with the following passengers: Mr. Stainfield, C. S. Nelson, H. E. Pape, Mr. Dalzair, C. W. Harps, Mrs. Millish, Mr. Milrish, Mr. Keath, Miss Gates, C. G. Sanford, L. A. Mason, F. Monaganil, H. Vanderhad, A. P. Wallace, Dr. Millne, Miss Cormon, Mrs. Walters, Constable Fiddler, Mrs. Gray, George Bartlett.

John Cudihoe, ex-United States deputy marshal at Skagway at the time "Soapy" Smith was killed, arrived in Dawson last Sunday on the Philip B. Low. Since a year ago last August Mr. Cudihoe has devoted his time and energy to prospecting property in the Atlin district. He is disappointed with Atlin, and being interested in some mining property in this district has come here with the intention of remaining for the winter.

The Nugget Express will cash money orders issued by any of the outside express companies. Office in the Aurora block.

FOR SALE.

FOR SALE—Two 25-horse power boilers and hoists, apply this office.

WANTED.

A YOUNG lady wants place as cook on creek. Call at Nugget Office.

LOST AND FOUND.

LOST—Strayed or stolen, red cow three large teats, one small one, branded "X" on right hip. Liberal reward for return to No. 2 Forty-nine gulch. R. C. Gardner.

FOUND—Short-haired yellow dog, black breast, white streak down throat. I X L Road-house, 3 below Hunker.

FOUND—On Bonanza, a large brown dog, owner can have same by calling at Abbot & Curtis, Grand Forks.

RESTAURANTS.

THE FRENCH RESTAURANT, cor. Third St. and 3rd ave. Open all night. Regular \$1 dinner from 12 to 8. Meals sent out. Delicious French pastry a specialty. Breakfast 25c.

LUNCH COUNTERS.

MINERS' HOME—Coffee and Lunch Parlors, confectionery, cigars and fruits; neat and homelike; pure cream and high grade coffee a specialty. Mrs. M. Morgan, prop., cor. Third and Third st. BOYD'S 25c. Lunch Counter, Second ave., opp. Criterion; next P. O. entrance also from First ave.; big stack of hot and coffee, 25c.; corned beef, tea, coffee or milk, 25c.; sandwiches and coffee, 25c.; ham and eggs, or steak and eggs and coffee, 75c.

BLACKSMITHS.

OSBER & HAWLEY, Third ave. south, bet. 3d and 4th sts.; blacksmithing, machine wagon and sleigh work done promptly at low prices; scientific horseshoeing a specialty.

PROFESSIONAL CARDS.

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.

CLEMENT, PATTULLO & RIDLEY—Advocates, Barristers, Notaries, Conveyancers, etc. Money to loan. Offices, First Avenue.

PHYSICIANS AND SURGEONS.

DR. J. WILFRED GOOD, M. B., S. R. C. P.—Edinburgh; late surgeon to Winnipeg General Hospital; medical health officer for Dawson; Large and varied supply of glasses. Office Room 11 Fairview Hotel, telephone 24.

J. H. KOONS, M. D.; A. C. Building.

MINING ENGINEERS.

TYRRELL & GREEN, Mining Engineers and Dominion Land Surveyors. Office, Harper L. Dawson.

OYSTER PARLORS.

OYSTERS! OYSTERS! Every style. Eastern, coast and cave oysters, prepared by scientific oyster chefs at "The Kozy," second avenue, between Second and Third streets. Turkey dinner Sunday, \$1.50.

BUILDERS AND CONTRACTORS.

A. M. STEFFIN—Builder and contractor, Second avenue, opposite B. N. A. Bank. All kinds of carpentering work done; plans drawn and estimates furnished on building contracts.