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CONFIDENCE SHAKEN.
The circumstances leading up to the
election of Mr. Ross were essentially
peculiar.

The Yukon administration was ad-
mittedly unpopular. The combined
opposition had sufficient strength to
utterly annihilate a straight govern-
ment candidate—a fact as well known
on one side as on the other. Mr.
Ross was, therefore, brought for-
ward as a candidate of the people,
irrespective of party affiliations.
The platform declarations, and his
own signed letters, were a distinct
repudiation of former governmental
policies, and had such not been the
case his election would have been a
sheer impossibility.

Mr. Ross had given the people
grounds for belief that he was a man
who dared to stand by his convictions.
He was reputed to have made
a special trip to Ottawa to tender
his resignation as commissioner un-
less certain changes were made in the
Treadgold concession.

He was credited with possessing
the courage to rise above party dicta-
tion and demand recognition of the
rights of his constituents, irrespec-
tive of ministerial influence. It was
by virtue of such considerations that
Mr. Ross was elected.

As a straight government candidate
standing upon a platform endorsing
the federal Yukon administration,
Mr. Ross could not have received 20
percent of the votes cast in his favor.
His success was due to his sheer
confidence in the man. In Jim Ross
the people felt they would have a
friend at court who would protect
their interests at all hazards. Per-
haps no other candidate for office
ever received such a testimonial of
faith. Notwithstanding that he was
an appointee and adherent of the
party in power, whose acts were
universally condemned, and in spite
of the fact that he was unable to set
foot in the territory during the cam-
paign, Mr. Ross was elected—because
the people believed in him.

Now they are in doubt. They be-
gin to feel that their faith was mis-
placed—that they may have made a
mistake and gave too much confi-
dence.

The burden of the evidence certain-
ly points in that direction and nothing
is said or done to contradict it.
Nothing would gratify the people
more than to have Mr. Ross return
to Dawson and convince them that
he has fulfilled the charge committed
to his keeping. The question is, can
he do it?

REMOVE THE BARRIER.
The difficulties attendant upon the
solution of the water problem in this
district are not to be compared with the
troubles experienced at Nome.
Nevertheless in the latter camp men
and money have been found to do the
work, which is now well under pro-
gress.

It certainly would appear that the
far more attractive inducements for
the establishment of a water system
offered in this territory would serve
to interest capital—and as a matter
of fact, if the blight of monopoly did
not hang so heavily on the land, the
necessary money would be forthcoming
without delay.

ley-Choyinski contest. The newspapers
are merely servants of the public and
give the public the sort of news the
public wants. The contest of Thurs-
day night eclipsed every other event
for the time being in general interest
and therefore was elevated to a place
of first importance in the news col-
umns of the papers. If the people
preferred to read sermons rather than
reports of ring contests and murders
the life of the scribe would be relieved
of its existing strenuousness. But
unfortunately they don't.

The recent junket of President
Roosevelt has created much unfavor-
able comment among his political op-
ponents. The point does not appear
to have been well taken. It costs the
people of the United States \$50,000
per annum to secure the services of a
president and in the ordinary course
of events millions of them go through
life without ever getting sight of one.
The present executive evidently thinks
that the people are entitled to some-
thing for their money.

TANANA.
Tanana is a frost-puff and simple.
Such is the consensus of opinion
among those who returned to Daw-
son today on the steamer Rock Is-
land and certainly they are in a po-
sition to know whereof they speak.

The lurid tales of the "varacious
Jap" so eagerly swallowed by our
glib morning contemporaries have
proven to have been larded upon
airy fairy notions.

The scores of good claims which
were to turn out fortunes to their
owners this spring, have disappeared
and the work now being done in the
district amounts practically to no-
thing.

There was no reason in the statu-
tute of last winter—nothing to jus-
tify it, no well substantiated facts
to indicate that a real strike had
been made, nothing in short but high-
ly exaggerated yarns imposed upon a
too credulous public by a few parties
who had personal interests to serve.

The Tanana country is undoubtedly
in the northern mineral belt, and
through process of time and with
the introduction of improved machin-
ery may be expected to become a
productive mining center. But time
will be required just as was the case
with this district.

It was a full year after the great
strike on Bonanza creek before Daw-
son offered a field for commercial and
other business enterprises, and still
in the light of that knowledge hun-
dreds of people set out on Tanana
during the middle of an Arctic winter,
expecting to find something for
every conceivable kind of venture.

How sadly they erred our news col-
umns explain today. The Tanana
may be all right in years to come,
but as a poor man's country it has
proven a disappointment.

CALLS FOR ACTION.
The Sun has informed the public
that Mr. Ross is not, and never has
been, sufficiently well to attend to
his duties in parliament. Since the
election of December last this in-
formation comes after repeated an-
nouncements that Mr. Ross was in
perfect health, and well able to at-
tend to the interests of his constitu-
ents as well as any other member.

tion of the session has been out on
the Pacific Coast.

Had the facts been known to the
public as they should have been made
known, the delegates would have
been sent on to the capital, and a
more emphatic protest against the
iniquitous concession would have been
entered. The territory has suffered
not only on account of the disability
of its member, but through the sup-
pression of the truth has been led to
forego the privilege of sending a
delegation to Ottawa.

Altogether, the situation is extra-
ordinarily unsatisfactory and seems
to call for action on the part of
those who were instrumental in elect-
ing Mr. Ross to office.

The collapse of the Tanana boom
should result in renewed activity
throughout this district. A second
Klondike has yet to be discovered,
and in fact there is no other district
in the Yukon that can be compared
with that of which Dawson is the
commercial center. If the govern-
ment will open the country to the
prospector and restore long shaken
confidence there will be no reason to
fear any serious decrease in mining
activity for years to come.

Russia has politely informed the
United States government that such
little disturbances as a massacre of
several hundred unoffensive natives
are not a proper subject for internation-
al comment. Russian civilization
might compare favorably with that
of a Sioux Indian, but viewed in the
light of any higher standard it suf-
fers lamentably.

The "Wireless" is the name of the
first newspaper relying upon wireless
telegraphy for its press service. It
is published at Avalon, a summer re-
sort on Santa Catalina island off the
coast of California, and receives daily
news reports by the Marconi system.
This may be the first step toward
revolutionizing the business of supply-
ing the news of the world to the
press and public.

The fearful floods in the state of
Kansas have been followed by sim-
ilar visitations in Arizona. Yukon has
been singularly free from such disas-
ters thus far and climate conditions
are such that past immunities must
be likely to continue. Life
in the north certainly possesses its
drawbacks but it is not unattractive
without its advantages.

The suppression of the Treadgold
claims is essential to Yukon prosper-
ity. With Treadgold in the saddle
the miners of the Yukon territory
would have a hard row home.

British Columbia is showing a
miniature Klondike stampede. Re-
ports of claim success, "hot
grub," etc., indicate that the tradi-
tions are being observed.

In order to understand the entire
situation of the sun, the aver-
age reader should supply himself with
a copy of the Dictionary of Biogeo-
graphical Expressions, published by the
Garett.

NEW MINING APPLIANCE

Machinery Here for Gold
Run Company

When in Operation Will Handle
4000 Cubic Yards of Gravel
Each Day.

Many are the devices being employ-
ed this season by holders of exten-
sive mining interests to decrease the
cost of extracting the gold from the
frozen ground, to handle the maxi-
mum of dirt with the minimum cost.
There are dredgers, steam shovels of
several different kinds, pumping
plants, hydraulic rorks and others,
but it has remained for Dr. Williams
representative of the Gold Run Min-
ing Company, to introduce a system
totally unlike anything heretofore at-
tempted in the Klondike, a method in-
vogue in other camps, notably the
Caribou, but which has never before
been tried here. While outside last
winter and investigating the best
method of handling vast quantities of
dirt at the least possible cost, the
system that has been adopted was
hit upon and at once it was seen
that such would be admirably suited
to the Klondike. Dr. Williams went
to Chicago and after some negotiations
employed the Webster Manufacturing
Company to build for him a plant ac-
cording to his desires. In due time
the outfit was completed and shipped
to the far north, the elite shipment
weighing approximately fifty tons and
arriving a week or so ago.

A distinctive technical name for
the plant could scarcely be found. It
is nothing like a dredger, steam
shovel or anything else of that sort,
but rather is a sort of a hydraulic
plant confined to close quarters with
provisions for caring for the water
after usage and also the tailings. For
ground that is more or less deep and
where it is impossible to dig for the
tailings by simple gravity there is
no better method known to these
men for handling dirt in large quan-
tities.

The plant of the Gold Run Min-
ing Company is quite ample in its effect,
consisting of four elevators and some
devices instead of one each operating
separately and independent of the
other. One is being hauled by the
ground on Gold Run of the company
and will be up ready for operation
before the close of the season. The
others will also be installed as rapidly
as possible, but it is doubtful if
all will be completed this fall.

The main idea in the plant, that
which results in the enormous saving
of labor is the fact that water is
freely used as the force to place the
gold bearing gravel in the boxes and
then of the man with the pick and
shovel. An open cut in the ground, of
the proposed work is first made. The
water is large to contain the
string of boxes necessary to wash out
the gold and also contain the gravel
for at the lower end. The depth of
the cut appears to make no differ-
ence, it being the intention to oper-
ate in ground on Gold Run where the
water is to be brought in by a
large pipe to be struck in the
ground. The statement that the
while he was in Paris he was the
same kind of an apparatus at work
on gold mining, however, at a depth
of one foot and no difficulty was
experienced.

After the cut has been made a
string of boxes is set in the cut at
the proper angle for draining. The
boxes being the ordinary boxes used
as are always employed in hydraulic
dredges. At the lower end of the
boxes is placed the apparatus that
consolidates the machinery portion of
the plant. It consists of a frame
work the height of which depends
upon the depth of the cut upon which
operate two elevators, one to lift
out the water and the other to lift
the tailings out of the cut as fast as
they are discharged from the boxes.
That which carries for the water is
nothing more than a Chinese pump
familiar to the old-time miners who
operated in the north and also high
torna long before the advent of
steam pumps. The flume is about
three feet wide, of corresponding
depth and will hoist five or six glass
heads if necessary, sufficient to keep
the sump dry at the end of the boxes
into which the water and tailings
drain.

The elevator, to get rid of the tail-
ings is a system of buckets that are
attached to an endless chain, and
which carries the debris to the sur-
face and deposits them out of the
way. With the boxes in position and
the elevators ready to do their part
of the business active operations be-
gin, the dirt, gravel and everything
else, including bedrock of all kinds,
being washed through the boxes by
means of water under hydraulic pres-
sure. Each of the four plants when
in full operation will handle 1000
cubic yards in a run of twenty-four
hours and as fast as a large area of
ground is worked out the trouble and
expense of moving the outfit farther
up stream will amount to little.
Then, too, when a considerable space
has been gone over the caring for
the tailings will be of less conse-
quence as they can be dumped on the
worked out ground. The pump will
handle 1500 gallons of water a min-
ute.

The properties of the Gold Run
Company embrace over twenty claims
and it is the intention to work them
all in the same manner. At the low-
er end of the creek there is but little
muck. The gravel, however, extends
to a depth of forty feet, all carrying
gold in sufficient quantity to pay to
work in the manner now contem-
plated, though untouched in times past
when worked by the old method of
thawing and hoisting. The bedrock
is composed entirely of decomposed
schist and handles very easily. There
will be no difficulty experienced and
that will be on account of a possi-
ble inadequate supply of water dur-
ing certain seasons of the summer.
Mr. Joseph McGilivray, the veteran
hydraulic miner, has estimated that
the work of an inch of water in the
gravel of the Klondike in a day of
twenty-four hours is seven cubic
yards, and by actual test in the
workings of a comparatively large
scale made by a gentleman who is
one of the largest operators in the
territory, it was found to be 5.69.
These machines with three men will
do the work of forty or more, they
require the services only of a fireman,
engineer, hoistman and possibly an
assistant to the latter at times. The
plants will be operated by steam.
Dr. Williams expects to have his first
machine up and ready for opera-
tion by August 1.

FROM THE KOYUKUK

J. R. Mathews There on
June 1st

But Little Work Done in That
Country Since Last
Fall.

But little has been done in the
Koyukuk country since last fall ac-
cording to Mr. J. R. Mathews, who
left Bettles on June 1st and joined
the Rock Island down the Yukon in
the capacity of chief engineer.
Mr. Mathews owns discovery claim
on Emma creek, a tributary of the
Koyukuk, but did little more than
prospect during the past winter. He
will return next fall and spend the
winter working his property. He
says that Hammond creek, once re-
ported very rich, was not worked in
all the past season, the pay having
apparently petered out. No mining
to speak of was carried on last win-
ter. A good discovery was reported
early in the spring on the north fork
of the Koyukuk.
Vermont creek, according to Math-
ews, is the best creek in the country
and has yielded good returns when
ever worked.
Nothing has ever been heard on the
Koyukuk of Victor A. Lowry and
Jack Burns, who left Fort Yukon
for Colofield early in the winter.
They are given up as having been
killed or frozen somewhere on the
route between the Dahl and Koyukuk
rivers.
F. A. Gowans, the meteoric young
man who stole gold dust from a cab-
in in Colofield and was held in jail
a year awaiting trial but was never
tried, was turned out on the opening
of navigation. He drifted down the
Koyukuk and on down the Yukon in
a small boat, a sadder if not a repen-
tant man.
Mathews estimates that 300 people
spent the winter in the Koyukuk
country. He confirms the story pub-
lished here in March of the freezing
to death of a Frenchman from Vi-
concer, B.C., on the trail a short
distance from Colofield. The man
had gone out to bring in a moose and
not returning in the evening a search
party was organized and the man
found dead on his sled.

PUPPY AND PARROT.
There's the but who whistles shrill
though he never keeps the tune
on the street car and the elevator
train.
And the bleacher, bend who when
presses over pavement afternoon
his legs against the chimney-quin-
toons.
And the picture dealer who do
sells the play along.
While he crowds you over sidewalk
in your seat.
And the doll who keeps his hands
in your shoulder, in a crowd,
And the ass who should be possi-
ble in the street.
And the howling, blatant huck-
ster who disturbs your beauty sleep
They are savages of note, I tell
you that.
And the man who makes them a
disrespectful and cheap
to the man who keeps a puppy in
his lap.
How now, what hear the monger
yapping at a non-existent rat.
There are villains "doing time"
Who are prisoners in crime.
In the man who keeps a puppy
in his lap.
There's the girl who murders Chas-
and betters she has a voice,
And the chambermaid who stands
with the cook.
And the woman buying tickets,
can never reach a chance.
And the lady who desires to sell
books.
And the chit who likes to call
"Mother down before a guest,
And the typist who talks "Hello"
through the phone.
And the cackler who recites
Robert Browning "by request."
And the actress with the faint
nasal tone.
And the shopgirl who "sells" the
lady in disguise.
And the first who thinks
charming—though she's fat—
They are worthy of a mention,
the one who wins the prize
is the old maid with a parrot
on her hat.
Squawk wawk! screech-screech! Ho!
the drunken woman.
Sneering an imaginary cat.
Only in the padded cell
Can you find a parallel
For the old maid with a parrot
in her hat!

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