

IN THREE MORE MONTHS.

Dawson Will Revel in Fresh Supply Delights.

But Those Who Revel Will Pay Fancy Prices for What They Procure From Early Craft.

(From Tuesday's Daily.)

In three more months, provided the season is not later than was that of last year, the residents of Dawson may confidently begin to whet their appetites for something fresh in the way of vegetables, poultry, and eggs. It was during the last week in May of last year that the first scows got away from Bennett on the journey this way, Fred Clayson, the missing man of whom so much has been published lately, being among the first to start and the first by a little more than one day to arrive in Dawson. Following hard after Clayson came E. H. Vining, also from Skagway. Clayson brought vegetables and eggs principally, while Vining's cargo consisted principally of doors and sash, with a few cases of eggs. For the latter Clayson had received \$90 per case and the next day Vining disposed of his hen fruit at \$75 per case. For the doors and sash there was great demand at big prices. Ordinary cedar doors which sell even at Skagway for \$2.50 each sold readily here at from \$17.50 to \$20. Vining made big money on his stock and left immediately for the outside and brought back a similar cargo; but during his absence other cargoes of the same class of goods arrived, and on his second consignment he made but little in excess of actual expenses.

But last season was an unusually late one in the upper country, and long after the lakes and rivers were entirely free from ice Lake Bennett was so low that it was impossible to take even a light draught scow through the narrow strait which connects Lakes Bennett and Tagish, which condition was due to the cold weather which prevented the melting of the snow and consequent rising of the water. On the morning of the second of June of last year mercury went down to zero at the summit of White Pass, and late the following night a man with badly frosted feet was brought to a lodging house there, he having gotten his feet wet somewhere between there and Log Cabin. It was not until after the 10th of June that ordinary draught steamers could cross between Bennett and Tagish at Carriboo, and it was not until the latter part of June that such steamers as the Gleaner, Sifton and Nora were able to cross the little bar.

Should the weather in that part of the country turn warm this year early in May as was the case in '98, there may scows arrive here even before the time of their departure last year from Bennett. That there will be a large fleet of scows come down the river immediately on the opening of navigation is certain, for it is now known that many of the Skagway merchants are preparing to come with some merchandise or other, as already a number of them have written or telegraphed to acquaintances here inquiring what lines are short and asking for price quotations.

An erroneous impression appears to have found credence on the outside that Dawson is short on everything except money to buy at fabulous prices, when in reality the opposite is really the true state of local affairs. As a result of this erroneous impression on the outside, there will be dozens of scows loaded with produce landed here in about three months or soon thereafter, and the Dawson merchant who invests heavily and at big prices in goods brought down on the first few scows to arrive will find that he has exercised poor judgment, for the reason that the many importations will result in low prices before navigation has been open more than three weeks.

To the consumer this is pleasant prospect, but to the many who pilot their barges down the treacherous rivers where, during low water, rocks, sandbars and other obstructions are most discouragingly numerous, the venture may not prove by any means a remunerative one. However, the first few cargoes to arrive will be readily taken at almost any price the owners see fit to ask.

K. of P. Will Organize.

A movement is now on foot leading to the perfection of a Knights of Pythias club in Dawson. A charter will be asked for at once from the grand lodge, and when it arrives a regular lodge of the order will be duly instituted here. There are upwards of 60 members of the order now in this city, among them being the leading and best men in Dawson, and when a K. of P. lodge is instituted here it will be an organization of which its members will have reason to feel proud.

Fraternal Resolutions.

To the Knights of Pythias of Dawson, Y. T.:

Your committee reports as follows: Whereas, Divine Providence has seen fit to remove from our midst our beloved brother, Scott Lindsay, and

Whereas, We feel that our order together with this community, has lost a faithful and loyal friend; therefore, be it

Resolved, That we extend to the bereaved family and friends of our deceased brother our most heartfelt and sincere sympathies in their loss, which we fully recognize as our mutual loss; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be forwarded to the members of his family and published in the daily papers, and also that they be spread in full upon the records of our organization. Respectfully submitted in "F. C. & B."

F. W. CLAYTON,
J. L. TIMMINS,
CHAS. E. POWELL,
Committee.

Dawson, Feb. 26, 1900.

W. G. Lloyd Injured.

Yesterday evening, W. G. Lloyd, a teamster, while driving from Hunker creek towards Dawson, was thrown from his sled, as the latter slipped off of the main road and he was painfully injured. He is now confined in the Good Samaritan hospital. His injuries are internal, but are not believed to be serious.

Dog Market Culled.

Only a few weeks ago Dawson could probably boast more dogs to the square yard than any white man's city in the known world. Many of them were the very finest that could be produced, having been gathered here from all points of North America. Today Dawson's dog market has been culled until, with the exception of less than half a hundred, there are none left but a measly, mangy, toothless herd of back door whiners—dogs either too old, too young or too small to make it worth while starting with them on the long trip to Nome. If Dawson was to be called upon now to compete at a bench show, she would be found wanting. So far as dogs are concerned, her glory has departed, gone down the river en route to the new American mining camp. And yet dogs no bigger than jack rabbits are being offered for sale, yes, and sold every day in Dawson at from \$75 to \$150, and in many cases they are so old as to be actually wind dried. If some outsider had possessed the foresight to have landed here two weeks ago with a flock of good, strong dogs he could have made a fortune out of the enterprise. In the meantime no complaints of loneliness on account of the decrease in the number of dogs have as yet been heard from the remaining citizens.

Two years ago this winter Joaquin Miller, who was then here, wrote to a friend on the outside a letter descriptive of Dawson in which he said: "There are dogs to the right of me; dogs to the left of me; dogs all around me; and—u the dogs."

Weather Report.

Last night the minimum temperature was 5.5 degrees above zero. At 9 o'clock this morning, the thermometer registered 6 degrees above, since which time there have been no material variations.

The Klondike Nugget

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A BAD FEATURE.

There are sins of omission as well as sins of commission to be charged up against the legislative architects who framed the ponderous structure known as the placer mining regulations for the Yukon territory. Not only have they displayed the utmost energy and zeal in doing certain things which ought to have been left undone, but they have also been equally energetic and zealous in leaving undone important matters which by all means should have been done.

For instance, in the matter of claim representation there are several features of the law which should be substantially modified in order to insure equity to all parties concerned. As the law is interpreted at the present time a fractional owner in a claim may shirk his share in the representation work and the full burden be thrown upon his co-owners or the claim revert to the crown for lack of representation.

One man may own a two-thirds interest in a claim and in the event he fails to materialize to perform his portion of the work or pay his share of the representation fee, the owner of the remaining third must undertake the entire responsibility for representing the ground or lose his interest. The interpretation thus placed upon the law would not work so great a hardship were any specific means of redress provided for the co-owner thus mulcted. But at the present time he is left with no claim or lien against delinquent parties which is recognized by the law. He has left only the option of suing and standing his chances for a judgment upon grounds of equity, but we are informed that thus far no precedent upon this particular point has been established.

It would appear that in such cases some equitable ruling might be made which would relieve the man who is honestly desirous of complying with the letter of the law, from a hardship so apparent. It parties who are interested with him in ownership of a claim fail to comply with their just share of the requirements of the law, and he is compelled for self protection to do the work of all, he should be protected, at least, to the extent of a lien against the share of the co-owners.

We understand that cases involving the point are of everyday occurrence. We submit, therefore, that an early decision covering the matter is most desirable.

GIVING BOTH SIDES.

The Nugget is publishing the news of Cape Nome from time to time just as that news is received. If a man has a favorable story to tell of the prospects and possibilities of the new camp that story is published in these columns exactly as told, and if the story is unfavorable it receives an equal amount of consideration. What we have sought to do has been to ascertain the facts as nearly as possible in order that those of our readers who are considering the matter of joining the rush to Nome may be as fully informed upon the conditions in front of them as possible.

A man who contemplates such a move will be no gainer by shutting his eyes to the difficulties which he must expect to encounter. His chances for success

will be just as great and in fact should be greater if he starts for Nome fully convinced of the fact that success, if he attains it, will come only after hard and persevering efforts. Too many men joined the first Klondike stampede with the expectation of being able to pick gold from the surface of the ground with little or no effort. Had such men permitted themselves to become informed as to the real status of affairs they would have remained at home, or at least the disappointment which met them when they finally reached the Mecca of their hopes would have been much less keen. So it will be with men who intend going to Nome. The more information which they receive on the subject both from those who have met success on the beach and those who have not, the better position they will be in when they arrive at the new camp. They should consider that other men are there already and have been for 12 months past and it is fair to presume that these men have not allowed themselves to remain idle all the while. They should also consider the extent to which the power of attorney law has been used and abused. They should, in short, remember all the disadvantages as well as the advantages which will be offered at Nome, to the end that they may act with the most intelligence.

It is for this reason that the Nugget, without regard to any opinions held by itself, is publishing Nome news both pro and con, when it appears that such news is of reliable origin. There are two sides to every story and the Nome story is no exception to the rule.

The mail service has been conducted during the present winter season in a most creditable manner. The mail has arrived and departed almost with the promptness and regularity of a railroad schedule. This merely illustrates the difference between conducting the system on a practical, well managed basis and allowing it to run itself. As long as we can be within four days' reach of outside telegraphic communication and can receive letters within ten and twelve days of mailing at Seattle and Vancouver, the word isolation will have little or no significance to us. Within another twelve months it is quite within the range of possibility that through telegraphic communication will be established along the entire length of the Yukon river and down through British Columbia into the States without any reliance whatever being placed upon forwarding messages by boat. It would appear that both the Canadian and American governments possess unbounded confidence in the future of the Yukon valley. The plans they are perfecting are altogether too elaborate for a country of mushroom growth.

Half Way House Sold.

Mr. Irving has sold the Halfway roadhouse, located about 16 miles from Dawson on the ridge road, to James Flanaery. The latter has employed Mr. Charles Donnelly, who for the past year has been connected with the Regina hotel, to assume the management of the roadhouse. Mr. Irving will start in a few days for Cape Nome. Mrs. Irving will leave for the new gold camp on the first steamboat.

A Social Success.

The social dance given at McDonald hall on last Saturday evening, was a very successful affair. A large number of persons were present. The program consisted of 18 numbers. Prof. James Duffy acted in the capacity of manager; and the guests enjoyed a most pleasant time.

she continued, with a smile, "good evening" almost faintly, but he could not. He therefore, himself with saying several times the Stroller never says.

Weather Report.
Minimum temperature last night below zero; and at morning no variations had.

The official thermometer shows 5 degrees below.

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Public No. 10.

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