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### THE END PROBABLY REACHED

Despite the loud cry of a universal war that was heralded recently through Dawson's streets the indications are that peace terms have already been proposed if not actually agreed upon. The latest outside information is to the effect that in all probability an extra session of the senate will be called in order that the peace conditions may be given the immediate sanction of law as soon as they are arranged. This means of course that the war is practically at an end already. Spain has everything to lose and nothing to gain by prolonging a struggle which in its every phase has proven the inferiority of the Spanish forces and equipment when compared with those of the Americans. In addition, Spain has had to face the moral hostility of nearly the whole of the civilized world. Constitutional liberty has become so generally recognized among all nations, that an almost universal feeling of hatred toward the Spanish provincial system prevails.

Throughout the entire struggle the Spaniards have shown the true Bourbon spirit. With characteristic vanity and conceit the government has proclaimed victories to the Spanish forces when defeat and disaster were meeting them on every hand. Now that the end is approaching, Spanish finesse, which is but another term for Spanish duplicity, may be expected to be shown at every turn. Having received the worst of the encounter at arms, Spain will endeavor by intrigue and trickery to make her loss as small as possible. If she does not do so every tradition of past Spanish "glory" will be completely set aside.

We anticipate, however, that the United States government will not be caught napping when a final settlement is arranged. Her people are aroused to an extent that will not admit of any agreement except upon terms most favorable to the conquerors. Spain may expect fair treatment, but if she resorts to any trickery whatever, she will deserve and doubtless receive, as severe a diplomatic defeat as she has just received in war.

### LET US DROP IT!

Before the advent of lawyers in this corner of the world the police exercised a good deal of sound judgment in disposing of the many cases which came up before them. Some laws were thought not to be quite adapted to the conditions here and such laws were quietly ignored. Other laws were plainly seen on the face of them to be inadequate to the situation, and thereupon powers were assumed by the police for the good of all which were not really theirs. The gentlemen have been so often complimented upon their broad and practical ideas of right and wrong that anything we may say would be simply superfluous. What we wish to point out is the fact that the word-for-word interpretation of such laws as the medical law of the Yukon has resulted in the death of at least one innocent lady and there is no telling what will come next. We would suggest to Captains Starnes and Harper that that

law has not just been placed upon the statutes; it is no more in evidence now than a year ago. The gallant captain must exceedingly regret the outcome of the prosecutions of last week and we have the word of Dr. Me. Wm. Bourke that the practicing Canadian physicians declined to give public support to the prosecution.

The medical law was designed to prevent imposters imposing upon the public. Every thinking man applauds it that far, and even on Klondike there is no reason it should not be invoked to such an end. But pending the constitution of a proper board of examination let every reputable physician continue to practice who can show proper credentials—that is to say any regular graduate of a proper medical institute either south or north of the St. Lawrence. We want no more deaths from simple lack of medical attention. Prior to the present prosecution the head of the police took this view of the matter and we see no reason for a change of policy.

### CLEAR THE WATER FRONT

There are times when a day lost can never be regained. The days just now are of great importance in deciding whether or not Dawson is to be supplied with wood for the winter. Just at present the trouble all lies along the water front. A large number of rafts have been brought down the river but cannot get within hundreds of feet of the shore. How are they to be landed? One large firm is making every effort to pile their wood up on the bank before the coming of the approaching ice, but what can one firm do when the whole water front of Dawson is blocked from end to end either by buildings or boats. The captain of police could very easily remedy the evil if he only would, but seems disinclined to put the boatmen on the sandbar to the inconvenience of moving. We assure that gentleman that public opinion will support him nobly if he will clear a half mile of that bar for the landing of wood. The captain can see for himself that the rafts are tied out in the river for a third of its width, obstructing travel of boats and preventing the landing of steamers. One steamer, in order to make a landing at its own dock, was compelled to cut four rafts from their fastenings. We would like to suggest to the worthy captain of police that the clearing of the water front is of very great importance for the future comfort of our citizens and that it presents a very fine opportunity for that gentleman to show everyone what his friends claim to be a fact, namely, that his heart is in the right place.

### ANENT THE ASSOCIATION

There is no reason why the Miners' Association of the Yukon Territory should not start off with a fund of at least \$10,000. There is a disposition among some of our citizens to pat the movement on the back and encourage it by cheap words of praise and then defer joining until they have some personal matter which needs the help of the association to straighten out. After the association building is up and the offices in working order there will be a rush to join by men in trouble. It might be wise at that time to make a regulation by which it should be optional with the association to take up and fight the battles of a member unless said member has been in good standing and paid up for at least one month before the difficulty arose. That the association will be a vast protection to its members no one doubts, and it is but fair that the miners who have so much to expect from it should come forward at once when their membership is of so much more importance than it will be after a while. A large substantial building needs to be erected at once for a headquarters. It may be necessary to put it up by installments—one room first and then add to it as its needs require.

In our news columns is told the story of Healy vs. Hebb, a case in which a rich man makes himself richer and a poor man poorer by the simple principle of "what's yours is mine and what's mine is my own." Laws and rulings are

given to guide the courts and to aid them in arriving at truer conclusions, and we always regret when these laws, precedents and rulings are used to befog the true equity of the case and make crooked the path of justice. There could not be empaneled in all Klondike a jury of twelve honest men who would not have given the claim to Hebb, the man who is entitled to it if ever man was. We are indisposed to say very much about the case for both Judge McGuire and Attorney Wade have gone out and cannot therefore make reply.

Some newspapers are like some men. When they see a successful rival, by a straightforward and honest policy, winning public confidence and support, they begin immediately to turn loose the vials of slander and abuse. Willing and ready themselves to pander to any influence that means gain to their own pockets, they cannot possibly understand or appreciate the course of a rival that expresses an honest conviction, regardless of what persons or interests may be concerned. Abuse, however, is not argument nor do men form their judgments on the strength of mere billingsgate. In fact when a newspaper resorts to such means it is a confession of weakness and public confidence in what it says through its columns is soon entirely lost.

"If you want anything done, do it yourself." If the miners of the Yukon Territory desire redress from the wrongs under which the country is now suffering they must depend upon their own resources, support their own organization and make that organization so strong that the government will be compelled to give ear to its utterances. There is strength in union but a house divided against itself must fall. We are convinced that the purposes of the Miners' Association need but be laid before the men who are now located in the Yukon valley to win their hearty support. Once that is done a change in the government's attitude toward this country will be shown.

The latest addition to Dawson's steadily increasing population is a full grown grass hopper of the Kansas variety. Where Mr. Hopper came from has not as yet developed. He brought no family with him and it is altogether probable that he is the advance agent for a large colony that will come our way before long.

**CALIFORNIA RESTAURANT**  
FOR FIRST CLASS MEALS  
Reasonable Prices Try It

**St. Mary's Hospital**  
IN CHARGE OF THE SISTERS OF ST. ANNE.  
Tickets, good for one year and covering all expense in time of sickness, \$70.  
Patients Without Tickets, \$5.00 per day for Nursing, Board and Washing. Doctors' Fees, \$5.00 per visit.  
FATHER JUDGE, SUPT.  
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.

**YUKON HOTEL**  
LUCAS K. SCHONBOER, Proprietor  
Largest and Best Equipped Hotel in Dawson. Good Accommodations for 75 People. The Only Temperance Hotel in the City.  
RESTAURANT IN CONNECTION  
CACHES—Cache building apart from Hotel, containing 120 separate rooms for storage of outfits.

**McCONNELL & PARKER**  
Dealers in

**General Merchandise**  
Highest cash prices paid for provisions and all kinds of merchandise.  
BLUE TENT Co., First Street and Third Avenue

## Seattle-Yukon Transportation Company

90-92 Columbia Street, Seattle, Wash.  
Seattle No. 3 and Barges will leave Dawson for St. Michaels and down river points on about August 25, and connect with our A.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 on transit and stored at Dawson and other down river points 90 days free of charge. This enables miners to protect 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  
M. TEROLLER, Agent,  
Library Bldg., Dawson.

## The Fairview

**DAWSON'S FINEST HOTEL**  
European and American Plan  
FINE CUISINE  
ELEGANTLY FURNISHED ROOMS  
EVERY MODERN IMPROVEMENT  
MISS E. A. MULROONEY, Proprietress

**THE PIONEER**  
DINMORE, SPENCER & MCPHEE, Proprietors  
BEST GRADES OF  
SCOTCH and CANADIAN WHISKIES  
And the Old Favorite Brand of  
JACK McQUESTIAN CIGARS

**THE AURORA**  
TOM CHISHOLM, Prop'r  
COR. FRONT AND SECOND STREET  
Headquarters for  
BEST OF WINES, LIQUORS AND CIGARS  
Mixed Drinks a Specialty

YOU WANT THE BEST?  
OF COURSE YOU DO!  
CHOICE LIQUORS, WINES, MIXED DRINKS AND CIGARS  
AT  
"THE NEW ENGLAND"  
McGuff & Patterson, Prop'rs  
Sole Agents for M. Fortier & Co., Montreal

**ELDORADO SALOON**  
HALL, MCKINSEY & YOUNG, Proprietors

**KLONDIKE CITY**  
Finest Brands of  
Wines, Liquors and Cigars

**THE KLONDIKE HOTEL**  
DAWSON  
NELSON SMITH, Prop'r  
Each room furnished with fine spring beds and modern comforts  
EUROPEAN PLAN—FINE RESTAURANT IN CONNECTION  
FINEST WINES, LIQUORS AND CIGARS

**THE NORTHERN**  
ASH & MANNING, Prop'rs  
Choicest Wines, Liquors and Cigars  
Expert Mixologists  
MINING HEADQUARTERS  
FRONT STREET

**Combination Saloon**  
Is the Place to go for fun and amusement. Finest kind of Liquors and Cigars.  
Lloyd, Harrison & Co., Proprietors

**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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