

A VERY ROUGH ESTIMATE

May Be Made From the Present Census

Of the Number of Residents in Dawson and the Entire Yukon District—Returns Nearly Completed.

The work of census enumerating in the city of Dawson has been completed, and one of the officers who was interested in the work gives it as his opinion that fully two-thirds of the residents were seen and "taken" but he does not think to exceed that proportion was seen.

The unofficial report from the city shows 5166 persons, while a very conservative estimate places the number of actual residents in Dawson proper at from 7500 to 8000.

However, a sufficient number of people were seen to demonstrate that the purpose for which the movement was made has been accomplished, namely: To find out if there were over 500 British subjects in the district. That there are many times 500 has been proven by the fact that of the 5166 people in Dawson, between 1000 and 1300 are British subjects. There is now no doubt in the minds of anyone that there are 3000 British subjects in the district, and that they are entitled to all the benefits of a free and self-governed people.

Reports from the creeks and other parts of the district have not yet been received, but it is safe to assert that the proportion of Britains found in the city will not be lessened by the reports received from these latter places.

By the end of next week it is expected that all the returns will have been submitted and that an official report will be given out.

Palace Captures the Town.

The Palace Grand as usual was packed to the doors last night and the pop of the champagne cork could be heard during the whole of the performance mingled with the hilarious outbursts of applause as the different artists were encored again and again.

A splendid entertainment is on this week, and particularly attractive are the vitoscope pictures which are thrown upon the curtain illustrating motto songs as sung by one of the members of the company.

After the show Dick Case and Pat Malloy gave a clever exhibition with the gloves which lasted six rounds. Both men evidently tried hard to restrain the impetuosity of their blows, as they are on very friendly terms, and the go being an exhibition of boxing strictly. Malloy will meet Smith in a ten-round go soon, consequently he could not afford to take chances under the circumstances with Dick. The affair was well put up and satisfied the audience to a man.

A Warning to Kruger.

London, March 15.—Mr. Balfour, in the house of commons today, replying to Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman, the opposition—who asked whether, in view of the numerous recent disturbances at peaceable meetings called to discuss South African affairs, or directed against the persons and property of individuals because of their war opinions, the government would cause an inquiry as to how far and by whom the disturbances were organized and what steps would be taken to prevent their recurrence—said that every case of disturbance had been examined and that the demonstrations appeared to be spontaneous. He added that the government felt the responsibility rested with those who called the meetings in the heated state of public feeling. They should be careful lest they asked more than human nature could give. The reply was regarded as unsatisfactory, and Sir Robert T. Reid, Liberal, moved an adjournment with a view of raising a discussion of the question. He said he regretted the necessity of the motion, and had expected Mr. Balfour would show that the government unqualifiedly disapproved of the disgraceful scenes, in place of which he had thought proper to lecture those who had not asked for his advice.

Sir William Vernon Harcourt, Liberal, supported the motion to adjourn. He declared that Mr. Balfour's answer discouraged the right of public meetings. Mr. Balfour reiterated that pro-Boers were not justified in forcing their ideas, which though possibly all right, were not agreeable to the majority of the nation. He denied that he had said anything inconsistent with the principles of free speech, and asserted that the government would do its best to see that the right of free speech in every

legitimate form was safeguarded in every part of her majesty's dominions. After a heated debate the motion was rejected by a vote of 229 to 120. The whole opposition and all the Irish members stood up in support of Sir Robert Reid's motion.

Mr. Chamberlain, secretary of state for the colonies, answering a question as to the threats to demolish the mines and raze Johannesburg, said that at the commencement of the war President Kruger had been warned that he and his government would be held personally responsible for any act contrary to the usages of civilized communities.

POLICE COURT NEWS.

A dog fight in the Palace Grand last night was the cause of the police court room being packed this morning with the largest crowd seen there for many moons, as all the participants were there except the dogs. That the dogs "fit and fout" was not the direct cause of the gathering before the court this morning. It was on the matter of separating the canines that the trouble hinged. William Young had a grievance against Joseph West, owner of one of the dogs, and who, Young alleged, had kicked him on the head while he, Young, was acting in the capacity of peacemaker. Young poses as a "connoisseur" in separating fighting dogs, and when performing his specialty he objects to being kicked in the head. No effort was made to show that the plaintiff had been done bodily injury, the kick being somewhat in the nature of a shove. The interesting feature in the trial was the persistency with which the prosecuting witness conducted it, and the suggestions he volunteered to the court during its progress. A fine of \$20 and costs was imposed on West.

A number of wage cases which were set for this morning are being heard this afternoon.

A number of gamblers plead guilty and paid the usual fine, \$50 and costs.

Easter Sunday Services.

Methodist church—Preaching, 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.; class meeting, 12:15 p. m.; Sunday school and Bible class, 3 p. m.; Epworth League, 6:30 p. m. Subject of evening discourse, "Jesus the Christ." The choir will render the following selections in the morning: "The King of Love My Shepherd Is," Shelley; "God of the Morning," Smith; "Hear Me, Jehovah," Perkins. In the evening: "Choir Angelic," Hanscom; "The Lord Is My Shepherd," Perkins; "Consider the Lilies," Topliff. A. E. Hetherington, pastor.

Ladies Scramble For Hats.

An amusing and interesting scene occurred last night at the store recently opened by J. P. McLennan near the Holborn. This gentleman has recently arrived in Dawson with stock of ladies' goods and a particularly striking selection of spring hats. These were unpacked as rapidly as possible and exhibited in all their feminine attractiveness in the front of the store. A large plank was supported across the doors by two empty barrels, as the store was freshly painted and not open for business at the time.

Some adventurous lady with the desire for a new spring bonnet uppermost in her mind, observing the display, forced her way to the doors and entered. Soon other ladies got a glimpse of the fortunate one, who could be observed through the windows in an ecstasy of delight, as she tried on one bonnet after another and each, of course, looking better than the one before.

After that the high plank had no terrors for any and the evolutions made by the ladies as they scrambled over, under and around the hated obstruction was a sight to see. Then panemonium broke loose. The ladies insisted on buying, appropriating some choice creation of the milliners' art and holding it sacredly away from possible confiscation by envious competitors until such time as the frightened proprietor could wait upon them. This scene continued for several hours, and would in all probability be duplicated today under the same circumstances. For the benefit of our feminine readers, we can assure them that the obstruction has been removed and the store open for business.

A Farmer Wanted.

Considerable merriment was created this morning on the street near the Aurora, the innocent attraction and cause being a Champion hay rake, a product of Dayton, O. The wheels, frame, seat and shafts of the implement of agriculture were in their proper positions, but many of the lesser, but very important parts, were missing. Only two teeth were in evidence, the others having probably been lost in transit.

While there was nothing about the rake to create amusement the theories advanced by members of the crowd were highly entertaining. Every man who had ever ridden through a farming vicinity on a train, or had a relative subject to hay fever, knew just what parts of the machine were missing; but when he undertook to explain where they belonged he would invariably get into deep water and call down upon himself the derision of the crowd.

Many who came along did not know what it was; one man, a lawyer, remarking that he did not know that track sulkies were built so wide. An old man who came to the country with Jack McQuisten said if it had more teeth in it he would like to buy it for a hair brush.

Tom Chisholm had no use for it, as it is not rigged for working dogs.

The owner of the machine, who, being a sensitive man, is ashamed to give his name, is thinking of advertising for a farmer to point out to him in what respect the thing is wanting the component parts of a regularly ordained horse rake.

Sluicing on Sulphur.

Several of the claim operators on Sulphur have ceased underground work and are directing all their forces to getting in shape for sluicing. On 18 below, Gates and Wilcoxon are moving their engine and pumping apparatus down to the creek, and will begin the work of sluicing in a very short time. The water used will be pumped through a large canvas hose a distance of 500 feet. The object of a canvas conduit is that it can be worked fully as satisfactorily as through one constructed of lumber, and the cost of construction is many times less.

On 11 above on the same creek Alex McDoonald is also at work preparing for sluicing. He also will use a canvas conduit through which water will be taken for the purpose for which it is used. It is not thought there will be any scarcity of water for sluicing purposes on Sulphur this year.

Abraham Lincoln.

How many Americans in Dawson have thought of the fact that 35 years ago today there was spread over the United States a mantle of gloom, the weight and density of which was never before nor has since been experienced by the nation. Thirty-five years—tonight in Ford's theater, Washington City, John Wilkes Booth's bullet did the fatal work which caused the nation, which was then being shaken to its utmost corners by civil war, to mourn as never nation mourned before; and to this day all over the northern states, and especially with the old soldiers who fought and bled in defence of their nation's flag, the anniversary of their beloved president's assassination brings with it a feeling of sadness which time may have mellowed but can never eradicate.

A Creditable Work.

The building erected by Mr. George Lion on Front street is to be occupied on the lower floor by the firm of Lion & Moe, of which the genial George is one of the partners. Their place of business is to be named "The Monte Carlo," and it will be one of the finest fitted up saloons in Dawson.

Immediately as one enters the door can be seen an elaborate wine rack replete with the finest selection of wines, brandies, liquors of all kinds, and only of the most famous brands. A cigar stand will be placed here also, made especially for the house and manufactured in the same style as is to be seen in any modern metropolitan store. A choice selection of cigars, tobaccos, cigarettes, etc., will be displayed.

A finely appointed bar has been built beyond, back of which a plate-glass mirror can be seen, nine feet long by five feet in height. Only such goods as seven-year old whiskies, three star Hennessy brandy and three star Martel will be sold over the counter. For Scotch, an assorted stock of the very best has been obtained, including "McKenzie Special," of which the firm has a heavy consignment. "Henry Clays" will be the leading brand in cigars.

A large and well-lighted room has been reserved for a club-room, and here the fickle goddess Fortune will be wooed by many of her votaries.

Two completely appointed bowling alleys are connected with the institution, which, at will, can be completely separated from the main part of the establishment, allowing private parties who so desire the exclusive use of the room.

The new Monte Carlo is complete in every detail, neatly arranged, without any effort towards extravagant gorgeousness and is a credit to the town, and both the gentlemen connected with the enterprise.

Chloride of lime. Pioneer drug store.

Half interest in tundra placer mining claim two miles from Nome for sale. Inquire Norton D. Walling, Grand Forks. c21

Bank Will Close.

Friday, the 13th inst., and Monday the 16th inst., are Good Friday and Easter Monday. These days are statutory holidays and the Canadian bank of commerce will consequently be closed for business on both days. c14

Best Canadian rye at the Regina.

The Star Clothing House will have its first sale day on the 21st of the present month. Look for something to happen.

Sliced Lubeck potatoes and Crown flour. Royal Grocery, Second ave.

Ladies' belt purses. Pioneer drug store.

Boats For Sale.

For boats of all descriptions—scoops, river boats, poling boats, Peterboro canoes, call at Bartlett Brothers'.

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Silver shield apricots 50 cents a can. Royal Grocery, Second ave.

Hilarity on tap at Rochester Bar.

Cold Storage.

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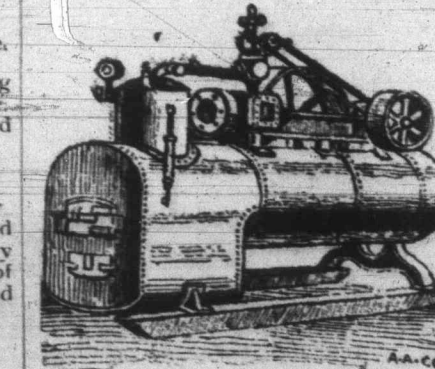
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