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## MORE REFORMS.

Every boat that comes in seems laden with good tidings for the Yukon. With the arrival of Gold Commissioner Senkler today comes the best news that has yet been brought. Mr. Senkler states definitely and conclusively and in language which offers no opportunity for misconstruction that when the reports of the present season are all in the royalty will be reduced at least one half and in all probability will be cut down to two per cent or three per cent.

This means that men who are now preparing for their winter's operations can do so with the full confidence that they will not be confronted next spring with a demand for ten per cent of their he said : output. They can figure absolutely on one-half that amount and probably less.

Almost of equal importance with the news respecting the royalty is the matter of an appellate court from decisions of the gold commissioner. This cuts off all appeals to the minister of the interior and forever places a stop upon the suspicion that decisions in appeal cases are determined by personal influence.

The Nugget congratulates the people cess of the fight for right which they have won after three years of effort. Nearly everything asked for has been

begun.

A WORD FOR THE DOGS. The days when the malamute will be king are rapidly approaching. With the closing up of the river, communication between the different parts of the territory will be dependent to a very large extent upon the services of the faithful canines which are now roaming the streets of Dawson at their own free To what extent the development will of this northern country would have been hindered without the services of dogs is difficult to say. During the first two winters after the discovery of gold on Bonanza creek the freighting of the country was done almost entirely by means of these intelligent brutes, owing to the absence of any number of

horses in the country and the prevailing belief that they would not thrive during the cold season.

During the winters of '97 and '98 communication with the outside would practically have been suspended had there been no dogs upon which to rely for means of transportation in and out. In fact the part which the dog has played in the work of opening up the magnificent resources of this Yukon territory has been so important and has contributed so largely toward bringing to the world a knowledge that we believe some recognition of his valuable services is quite in order.

There should be in Dawson an organization akin to the society for the prevention of cruelty to animals. A systematic outlook should be kept for the man who mistreats his dog. Whenever a dog is maimed or injured in such a way that he is unfitted for work the community at large suffers in consemence. Such inhuman actions, and they are by no means uncommon, merit