

MERRY XMAS EXERCISES

Observed by St. Mary's and Mission Street Schools.

Interesting Literary and Musical Programs Rendered—There Will Be No School Next Week.

This has been a great day to the school children in Dawson, as owing to its being Friday preceding Christmas week, the usual Christmas exercises were held today, and they are exercises that many children in more favored quarters of the world would be indeed fortunate were they able to attend, see, hear and participate in. Christmas this year has as many pleasures for the child in the Klondike as for the back east cousin and, on the whole, the Klondike child, from the standpoint of plenty and good cheer, has probably the best of it.

As the exercises of the public schools on Mission street are in progress as this paper goes to press it is not possible to give the program as it will be presented. It is known, however, that extensive preparations have been made by both the teachers and pupils and that a program which it would be a treat to hear, comprising music and recitations, has been arranged and that the first Christmas in the public school history of Dawson will be observed in a way that will reflect credit and honor on teachers and pupils alike.

At St. Mary's school the exercises were held this forenoon, beginning at 11 o'clock. In addition to a number of the patrons of the school others were present including Commissioner Ogilvie, Mr. Justice Dugas, Fathers Gendreau and Liebert and the Sister Superior.

The following program was rendered, each participant performing her or his respective part without a moment's delay or a single hitch:

Welcome song by the school.
Address of welcome, Lena White.
Minie's Christmas sermon, Secundo Russo.
Song—"Christmas Greeting," school.

Recitation—"Golden Keys," primary class.

Song—"Christmas Bells," school.
Address by Miss Rachel Dunham.
Recitations of reading, arithmetic and other classes.

Duet—"Yo's Money Ain't No Good," Irene and Clara Wilson.

After this came the distribution of presents from two heavily laden and beautifully decorated Christmas trees, the packages being taken off by the teacher, Sister Mary Edith, who, passing it to Gov Ogilvie would call the name for whom it was intended, the recipient going forward and taking the gifts from the governor's hands. Each child was presented with a large bag of sweets and toys, books, etc., suitable to their years. The presents were supplied by Mr. Ogilvie and apportioned by the teacher.

When each desk was covered with presents, Commissioner Ogilvie made a short but eminently appropriate address in which he spoke of the difficulties that have been so successfully overcome in the way of establishing schools in the Klondike, and complimented the school on its pleasant quarters, and never-tiring and painstaking little teacher.

As by this time the noon hour had arrived, those present were deprived of hearing remarks from Judge Dugas and others who could not take the time to remain. Father Gendreau spoke briefly to the children and with much haste on the part of the little ones, goodbys were said and the vacation of Sister Mary's little school duly began and

will continue until Wednesday, January 2.

To say that Father Gendreau and the Sisters are proud of their school is but mild. With his own money the former erected and furnished the building and school was conducted by the Sisters right along regardless of the fact that no public support was accorded to it. This year, however, the school receives the benefit of a neat appropriation of public money, and no institution in the Yukon is more deserving.

The teacher, Sister Mary Edith, is most happily suited to her work, being of the stamp that are born to it. Loving, patient and painstaking, her management of the school is perfect and the advancement made by her pupils wonderful. Fifty-five children are enrolled at this school.

All the schools will have holidays next week.

A Handsome Gift.

Sargent & Pinsky today presented to the staff of the Nugget with some very prettily designed pens made from mother of pearl and rolled gold. These pens are given away by the concern during the holidays to all ladies purchasing any article at that store, at least that is the intention, but the probabilities are that any patron can get one of these pretty souvenirs by asking for it.

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The Holborn Cafe for delicacies.

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AMUSEMENTS

SLAVIN-WHITE, GLOVE CONTEST
Savoy Theatre, December 21, 1900.
The heavy-weight gladiators to meet in a 10-round contest.
At 9:30 Sharp.
FRANK SLAVIN'S record is too well known to need repetition. He has defeated all.
VINCENT WHITE Champion of California, defeated Ed. Monroe at Salinas, Cal., in 17 rounds; Ned O'Malley in the Reliance Club of Oakland, and fought a 10-round draw with Pat Brennan at Vallejo Athletic Club.
PROCURE YOUR SEATS NOW.
Admission \$2.00; Reserved Seats \$3 to \$5; Boxes \$20, \$30, \$40, According to Location.

The Standard Theatre
WEEK COMMENCING MONDAY, DEC. 17
The Two Comedians **EDDIE DOLAN ED. LANG**, all this week.
Dolan opens in "CARANAUGHS' TROUBLES"
Lang appears in "THE DUTCHMAN'S GHOST"
See our **OLIO**. Is a high class.
Don't forget the Phantom Ball Masque Christmas Eve.

Late Outside Papers.
Burne Pollock, the newsdealer, today received P.-I.'s of December 3d, also all the magazines of November. From now on Mr. Pollock expects to be able to supply his patrons with papers less than two weeks old.

Silk hose and silk underwear at Sargent & Pinsky's.

Choice fresh potatoes at Meeker's.

Fine watch repairing by Soggs & Vesco.

ARCTIC SAWMILL
Removed to Mouth of Hunker Creek, on Klondike River.
SLUICE, FLUME & MINING LUMBER
Offices: At Mill; at Upper Ferry on Klondike river and at Boyle's Wharf. J. W. BOYLE.

The Orpheum
THEATRE
ALEC. PANTAGES MANAGER.
Will reopen on Monday Night, Dec. 24th, Xmas Eve., Presenting for the first time in Dawson the Sterling 3-Act Comedy Drama,
"BOB ON THE DEBUTANTE"
under the direction of MR. FRED C. LEWIS.
New Spectacular & Scenic Effects, and a host of New Vaudeville Features.
The Company includes Bob Lawrence, Billy Mullen, Fred Breen, Fred C. Lewis, James Duncan, Julia Walcott, Babette Pyne, Suppilo, Lillian Grant, Kate Rockwell, Evaline, Joie Gordon, Allie De mar, Max Miner, Garnett, Mac Stanley, Dolly Flaxton, Blanche Williams.
LOOK OUT FOR THE **JEFFRIES-FITZSIMMONS FIGHT.**

MERRY XMAS

A Generous Competition Is the Animating Spirit

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