

THE DAWSON PLAYHOUSES

Are Affording Excellent Entertainment This Week.

Living Pictures at the Palace Grand—Several New People Appear at the Orpheum.

The local theaters are giving excellent performances this week. Last night, large audiences attended both the playhouses, and the initial productions were exceedingly entertaining. The patronage is constantly increasing, and this fact evidences the good quality of amusement, which is now afforded to the public.

The entertainment at the Palace Grand commences with John Mulligan's burlesque on the "Clemenceau Case." There are ten characters included in the cast; and Evaline, Garnett and Alice Fairbanks are given an opportunity to display their shapely figures as Parisian art models. The sketch is concluded by a strong tableau, which is beautifully mounted.

The olio is comprised of exceedingly capable artists, who execute their respective turns in a wonderfully clever manner. James Duncan and Miss Garnett appear in a novel acrobatic act, in which they introduce trick tumbling and innumerable feats of contortion. Morris Leo performs a most difficult turn on the trapeze with surprising ease and grace. William Howard and Laura Lentz form a new vaudeville team, which executes a Zouave baton drill. Archie League and Harry O'Brien appear as the Hogan sisters; their work is praiseworthy and receives the commendation of the audience. The O'Brien family produces a short sketch entitled "The Burglar," in which they display to advantage their great versatility. John Mulligan assumes no inconsiderable part in the olio, and his efforts are received with applause. Carrie Linton renders two vocal selections, which are most beautifully illustrated. Conchita amuses the audience with her clever originality. Gussie Lamore and Cecil Marion, who have been engaged for some time past at the Orpheum, are playing this week at the Palace Grand. May Miner sings two popular selections. Gracie Brownning essays the rendition of classical vocal music. Bessie Pierce executes an Oriental dance in the most bewitching manner. May Walker obtains favor by singing two good songs. Jacqueline has two topical selections, which evoke the applause of the auditors.

The program concludes with the production of the sensational drama, entitled "The Black Flag," as interpreted by Hillyer and Mulligan. All the actors are most proficient in their parts; and the play is a fitting termination to an excellent evening's entertainment.

The opening piece at the Orpheum is Tom Rooney's farce comedy, "The Mystic Order," a clever sketch which greatly amuses the audience. The part of Timothy Clancy is assumed by Tom Rooney. Julia Walcott portrays in a vivid manner the eccentric character of Mrs. Timothy Clancy. Fred Breen is ludicrously tunny in the role of Mr. O'Grady. Louis Traube appears as Dusty Rhodes. Robert Lawrence acts well the part of George Quigley. Jessie Forrester is amusing as Kittie, the servant.

The varied olio introduces some new specialties to the Dawson public. Lulu Watts is a comedienne of ability. She is supported in a good turn by an "animated curtain." Sadie Tay or is another vaudeville artist who made her initial appearance in Dawson last night. She sings exceedingly well several descriptive songs. Julia Walcott evidences as much ability in variety turns as she does in legitimate dramatic work.

Blossom and Dot Pyne appear to excellent advantage in a clever team sketch. The reappearance of Fred Breen was received with great applause by his many friends and admirers. Caprice, in most exquisite costume, rendered well two vocal selections. Beatrice Lorne continues her unqualified success as an operatic singer. Nellie Forsythe was greeted with calls of approbation. Myrtle Drummond performs a difficult contortion act. Rooney and Forrester do an amusing Irish character turn. Eddie Dolan is inimitable in his clever work.

Between the second and third numbers of the olio, there is produced Fred Breen's comedy, entitled "A Dead Shot," which affords to the audience much wholesome amusement.

Friscu's Aid Enlisted. The chamber of commerce of San Francisco has been enlisted on the side of Dawson in her efforts to secure better

winter mail service, as the following will attest, the appended letters having been received by Secretary Clayton by the late mail:

San Francisco, March 17, 1900.
Board of Trade, Dawson, N. W. T.

Dear Sirs: I have the pleasure of acknowledging the receipt of your petition to the honorable postmaster general in regard to mail facilities to your city. While no letter accompanied the copy we presume it was your desire to have us assist you in the project and the matter was accordingly presented to our board of trustees at their meeting on the 13th inst., when a resolution was passed that a letter be sent to the honorable postmaster general endorsing the petition; a copy of this letter I inclose. Trusting that suitable arrangements will be made and that every facility will be afforded for proper communication between our country and your city, I beg to remain, yours very truly,

E. SCOTT, Secretary.
Here follows a copy of the letter forwarded by the San Francisco chamber to the postmaster general:

San Francisco, March 13.
Hon. Charles E. Smith, Postmaster General, Washington, D. C.

Sir: We have the honor of respectfully endorsing and recommending for your favorable consideration the letter to you from a number of business firms in Dawson, Y. T., dated January 19, 1900, which explains itself, and a copy of which we enclose.

As you are aware, we of this coast are particularly concerned in promoting and maintaining prompt, regular and adequate means of communication between all points on the Pacific or tributary thereof, believing this to be essential to the development of our industries, trade, and commerce, and therefore trust that you may find it consistent with the best interests of your department to grant the request of the merchants in Dawson.

With assurance of our esteem and best wishes, we have the honor, to subscribe ourselves, sir, your obedient servants, the Chamber of Commerce of San Francisco.

CHARLES NELSON, President.
E. SCOTT, Secretary.

Regarding Nome Beach.
A telegram from Washington says: A small government map, including the Cape Nome region, has just been published. It is based upon the work, in September last, of our members of the geological survey. The natural features of this little district are divided into three regions, of the beach, tundra and mountains. Gold is found in all these formations. The beach stretches away comparatively straight and smooth, and over half of last year's output of gold, or more than \$1,000,000, was produced along the shore.

Along the beach the gold is quite fine, having been reduced by wave action, together with the gravel and sand, to the size of bird shot or even finer. As it is heavier than the sand it has worked down into it, and most of it is found on a bottom of clay, which the miners call "bed rock."

On the beach the gold is extracted almost exclusively by the familiar methods of sluicing and rocking. The water is taken from the ocean, and, in some cases, is raised from the sea by steam power and poured into the sluices that have been built along the beach. In the rocker the gold is caught on blankets, and to some extent on copper plates coated with mercury.

The supply of copper plate last summer did not equal the demand, and so the bottom of the rocker was often covered by United States silver coin, principally \$1 pieces, and these were coated with mercury, which caught the gold. In the fall an average of 2000 men were working along the beach and took out about \$20 per day a man. In many cases the amount taken out was much greater.

Back of the beach is a coastal shelf which, near the beach, is about thirty feet above sea level. It slopes gently upward until at the base of the mountains, some four or five miles from the beach, it has an elevation of 150 to 200 feet. This is the tundra zone, which is traversed by the rivers and small streams carrying the drainage from the mountains. During the summer it is usually wet and boggy. The tundra is composed of gravel derived from the rocks of the mountains, and it has been prospected to some extent and is found to yield from 10 to 30 cents a pan. It is believed, however, that capital will be required to handle the tundra with profit.

From the mountain region came all the gold that is found in the tundra and on the beach. The diggings have been extended into many of the gulches through which the mountain streams flow, and the map shows Anvil and Glacier creeks and the other rivers among the hills where miners are at work. The quartz veins that traverse

the limestone of the mountains are supposed to be the source of the gold.

In these gulches the diggings are coarse gold and the largest nuggets are worth about \$350 apiece. To get the gold miners have to dig down to the clay under the creek-gravels, which are six to eight feet in thickness. Discovery claim and another below it, both on Anvil creek, produced \$225,000, while Snow gulch yielded over \$200,000. These, then, are the three sources of gold, most of it being taken from the beach and the mountains.

Modern Machinery.

From a letter received at this office from Mr. J. P. McClellan, who is with Messrs. Hayden & Donaldson, on No. 12 Eldorado, it is evident that the machinery now being operated on that claim is well worth a trip out to see. The writer says:

"The plant which Messrs. Hayden & Donaldson have worked so long and faithfully to put in position is now working perfectly. They have two boilers, an engine and saw gates frame which reaches the towering height of 45 feet. They also have an automatic cable dump, which cable extends above and over the surface of the claim a distance of 135 feet, and the machinery is so rigged that the engineer, who manipulates the work of hoisting and dumping, can dump the bucket at any point on the cable he desires by simply touching the automatic button. This dumping act is performed so quickly as to be almost imperceptible.

"I have been in the mining districts of Leadville, Cripple Creek and in fact all over the mining districts of the States and have seen a great deal of fine and improved machinery in operation, but have never seen anything so perfect and at the same time so simple as that being operated here. While the plant was being erected hundreds viewed it, shook their heads and said 'It will never work.' These same people now stop and gaze with open-mouthed admiration at the great labor saving device which was conceived by the mind of Mr. Hayden, one of the owners, and constructed by him."

The claim upon which this modern machinery is being operated is reported as turning out a large amount of very rich gravel.

A Splendid Location.

The new building on Front street being erected by George Lion is now almost completed and in all probabilities will be ready for occupancy the latter part of this week. The site is 34 feet in width and 100 feet in depth. The building is two stories high and will make an imposing and attractive structure.

The second floor will be rented to professional men for office purposes, and such well-known people as Clark & Wilson, Dr. Richardson and Russell & Ulrich have secured quarters there. On this floor a complete and commodious photograph gallery has been specially built for Goetzman, the photographer.

Reid Co., the druggists, will have a store at the left of the entrance to the building, while Ga-dolfo, the candy man, will be found on the opposite side. Mr. Lion will utilize all the remaining space on the lower floor with a splendid barroom, finely fitted up club rooms and two bowling alleys.

The building cost to erect, including the lot, about \$24,000. Plate glass windows are being put in the front and the finish of the complete edifice inside will conform to the handsome appearance of the exterior. It is to be hoped that the success of the general George on this side of the river will be in proportion to the well-wishes of his friends.

Weather Report.

The maximum temperature for the 24 hours preceding 9 o'clock this morning was 59 degrees above zero. The minimum temperature during the same period of time was 15 degrees above.

Heartless Parents.

A strange story of the heartless actions of an Oakland, Cal., couple is reported as follows:

A family of a half dozen children, one of the youngest confined to its bed with pneumonia, deserted by both parents, was found tonight at 1010 Twenty-sixth avenue and reported to the police. The report was made by neighbors, who said that the father, E. A. Freeman, had left two weeks ago and the mother on Saturday, and that since then the children had been shifting for themselves and that the sick child was without medical attendance.

The house was destitute of the ordinary necessities of life, much less any of the comforts.

E. A. Freeman, the father, is a painter, who has been working when he could get a chance. He had hard luck during the winter, and about two weeks ago he disappeared, leaving the entire burden of the support of the family upon his wife. Mrs. Freeman swore to

a complaint charging him with failing to provide for his minor children, but the warrant is still unserved, for Freeman is out of the city.

Mrs. Freeman capped the climax by dropping out of sight on Saturday, leaving the family to shift for itself. Tonight, when she failed to return home, the case was reported to the police as one that needed their attention. Temporary relief and medical aid having been furnished them, an effort will be made to find the parents tomorrow, and something will be done for the care of the children. The police say that this is a case of flagrant desertion and that the mother was seen in Oakland tonight.

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Notice.

To the Shareholders of the Dawson Electric Light and Power Company, Limited:
Take notice that a special general meeting of the shareholders of the company will be held at the head office of the company, in the city of Dawson, in the Yukon Territory, on the 10th day of April, 1900, at the hour of 3 o'clock in the afternoon, for the purpose of considering an application to the Commissioner in Council of the Yukon Territory for an ordinance to ratify and confirm the company's letters patent, and for a grant to the company

of exclusive rights and privileges in respect to supplying electrical light, heat and power, and to confirm and ratify a certain trust deed of the company, dated the 22d of June, 1899, to increase the capital stock and to extend the borrowing powers, and for other purposes and objects mentioned in the Notice of Application, published in the Yukon Sun, and dated the 19th of February, 1900, and made on behalf of the company by Messrs. White & McCaul, advocates of Dawson, and to confirm and ratify the said notice and for the election of directors and transaction of such business as should or might have been transacted at the regular annual meeting of the shareholders, and such other business as may legally be brought before said meeting.
Dated at Dawson this 31 day of April, 1900.
By direction,
THOMAS CANNON, Secretary.

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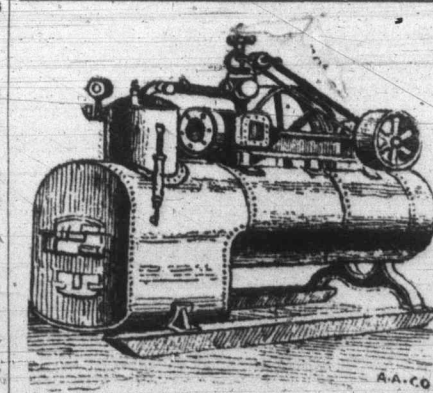
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