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## A SPLENDID OPPORTUNITY.

Parliament has again adjourned. During the entire session which has continued since the early spring, the question of Yukon reform has been before the house in various forms and phases but without result of serious importance. The single concession which has been granted, the order for the election of two members on the Yukon council was obtained under what may be termed duress. Had the citizens committee acted with less energy and confined its addresses to ministers of the government it is quite probable that no action would have been taken even with respect to the election of members on the council. In communicating with the governor general direct, the committee acted with much wisdom, as events have amply demonstrated. When the matter, by his direction, was referred to parliament prompt action resulted.

This fact gives added importance to the visit about to be paid by his excellency to this city. A splendid opportunity will be afforded to place before the highest executive authority in Canada a statement of all grievances for which redress is sought.

It must not be said that the governor general of Canada came into Dawson and found no reason for belief that general dissatisfaction with existing legislation prevails. We believe we are safe in saying that every government organ throughout Canada is anxiously hoping that such will prove to be the case. A report of that kind would be published under glaring headlines in every paper which supports the present government with the hope of proving thereby that dissatisfaction has been entirely stamped out.

It is most important, therefore, that full advantage be taken of the opportunity soon to be presented of bringing to the attention of his excellency, the governor general a complete and exhaustive statement of the injurious conditions from which we suffer. That statement should be made so broad and complete as to leave no room for doubt of its meaning and given no excuse for the cry later on that Lord Minto found no reasons for believing dissatisfaction to exist in the Yukon territory.

We note with satisfaction that the Board of Trade has already taken the matter in hand as the representative body of the business and mining interests of the community.

We would suggest the propriety of a union of the Board of Trade and the citizens' committee upon this particular matter. Both bodies have addressed the government at various times respecting the affairs of the territory and there would in all probability be no disagreement between the two as to the nature of the proposed address to be laid before the governor general.

A committee of the Board of Trade acting in conjunction with the citizens' committee would be representative of the entire community and doubtless their deliberations and findings would meet public approbation. Previous experience has proven that petitions and memorials addressed to the minister of the interior and even to the premier meet with little ceremony, and usually are pigeon-holed immediately upon receipt, and never again brought into the light of day.

A splendid opportunity is now before us to have our wants made known to a

higher authority than either of the two named above, and under the most favorable circumstances. We trust that the utmost advantage will be taken of the opportunity.

## LOOKS LIKE A SCHEME.

It is remarkable what queer things happen in this benighted Yukon valley. For instance the matter of local representation on the Yukon council has all manner of queer incidents in connection with it. Two years ago, or thereabouts representation was authorized by an order in council at Ottawa. By virtue of various and sundry maneuvers, too numerous to recapitulate, the measure was not placed in effect and the irresponsible, appointee council has had full swing. Now, as a result of long-continued and persistent demands, it has been ordered that the election take place. But the Yukon council must pass the necessary ordinance governing the procedure of election, and the Yukon council at the present time is not in working order. The machinery is out of gear, some of the parts are missing—accidentally, of course—and it will be impossible to get the machine in working order for several months. This is the position taken by the legal adviser of the council, whose mandate is regarded by his associates in about the same light as the faithful Mussulman looks upon the inspired words of the Koran.

If there is not a deliberate and pre-conceived plan involved in the situation to again postpone as long as possible a realization of the popular demand for representation, it must at least be said that the thing bears all the earmarks of such a scheme.

The introduction of the inverted siphon for transferring water from one locality for sluicing purposes in another is a distinct advance along the line of improved mining methods. The introduction of such devices which cost money to institute must be taken as a guarantee of faith on the part of investors in the permanence of the country and the richness of its resources.

There is no longer any doubt about the extreme gravity of the situation in China. The powers appear to be helpless to do anything for the relief of Pekin until their armies are reinforced, while even now it may be too late to prevent atrocities without parallel since the time of the Indian mutiny. If the report that all the foreigners in Pekin have been massacred turns out to be true then all hesitation as to what should be done with China will vanish, for the public opinion of the world will sustain the nations in placing it beyond the power of the empress and those responsible with her for the present uprising to inflict more outrages upon mankind. The cause of or the excuse for the insurrection is now lost sight of; the one object must be to put it down, making a settlement afterwards.—Victoria Times.

## As Seen by a Visitor.

The following letter appeared in the Skagway Alaskan, having been written by a man who was here en route to Nome:

Dawson City, V. T., July 7.—The far-famed city of Dawson today presents an appearance in marked contradistinction to that which she previously enjoyed when money flowed like water over bars and cards tables and in dance halls, and every miner dumped his well-filled poke with the easy grace of a millionaire.

Today one finds a very neat and substantially built little city of perhaps 4000 people, the streets filled with lazy dogs and idle men wandering aimlessly up and down with no apparent object. Now and then a dog team passes by attached to a laundry, milk, sodawater or garbage wagon. This is the common mode of light transportation used here.

Stepping into a saloon you see two or three men standing at the bar, and a few boosters and chubbers playing at the card table of a sleepy dealer. The arrival of a boat creates some little stir, as nearly everybody goes to see who comes and get the news of the outside world. As a matter of fact, Dawson the world renowned home of banana kings and glittering Monte Carlos, has lost its brilliant and roseate hue of yore and must now be relegated to her own class—a common, every day town. To be sure, the mines are yielding more, doubly more than previously, but they are owned and controlled by men who are not of the high-rolling

class, or have served their time in that line and gotten over the first great shock to their nervous systems when they suddenly came to realize they were wealthy, and live now settled down to an everyday moderately temperate life.

The yield this year is conservatively estimated at between thirty and thirty-five millions, exact figures being impossible to obtain on account of the obnoxious and unjust royalty of ten per cent, which must come out of all yields.  
DR. B. F. WHITING.

## The Last Man Shaved.

There were five of us hunting and fishing in the Queensland bush when one rainy day a stranger appeared. He said he was a tramp barber, and as none of us had been shaved for a fortnight we gave him half a day's work.

About four hours after he had left us a band of six men rode up and the leader inquired if we had seen a tall, roughly dressed man pass that way. We told him of the barber, and he looked from man to man and exclaimed: "Good gracious, but you are all freshly shaved!"

"Yes, we gave the barber a job."  
"And he shaved each one of you?"  
"He did, and did it well."  
"Boys, do you hear that?" shouted the man as he turned to his companions. "What of it?" asked one of our party.  
"Why, he went insane yesterday and cut a man's throat in his barber's chair over at Unadilla, and we're after him to put him in an asylum."

They rode away at a gallop and next morning returned to our camp with the man, who had been captured, after a hard fight and was tied on his horse. He seemed to remember us when he was given a drink of water, and as he handed the cup back he quietly observed:

"I say, gentlemen, please excuse me. I meant to finish off the last man who got shaved, but I got to thinking of something else, and it slipped my mind."—Cape Times.

## Remembered His Wife.

A Lebanon man tells the following for a fact: One day a Linn county farmer bought a banana at his store, the first one he had ever eaten. After finishing it he threw the peel on the floor. After gazing at it a moment he picked it up and wrapped it in a piece of paper and remarked:  
"Guess I'll take that home to my wife and let her see what a banana looks like. She never seed one."  
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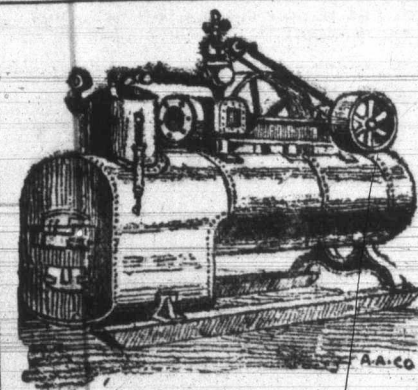
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