# THE DAILY KLONDIKE NUGGET: DAWSON, Y. T., MONDAY, OCTOBER 8, 1900



By a Customs Official After It Had Made

Claimants in the Dawson Customs Office.

an accumulation of packages, the bulk of which arrived by the more recent mails, but there are many which have been there for some time. These packages come by mail, and are sent through the customs office because they contain in many instances dutiable matter. On the receipt of a package a printed postal card is mailed to the party whose name appears thereon, notifying him of its arrival and where he can get it. In many instances, however, these postal cards never reach the person addresed, and the package likewise fails in delivery. So if you have any reason to suppose that a package has been sent you, it would be well to call at the customs office and inquire if your name is on the list. You will find an accommodating official there who will give you the desired information, and if you have a package there he will untie the cords and help you to ascertain what has been sent you, and if it is not of intrinsic value you may take it away without more expense than if it came through the postoffice direct.

and spread out where they could be seen," said one of the officials this morning, "you would be surprised at the variety of goods these packages contain. The contents of many of these parcels are very valuable, as it is not only the things that are sent as presents from home to friends and relatives here, that are represented, but much merchandise is shipped in this way. Jewelry for instance, is often sent in this way, which is fully as safe a

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class of matter shall be held for a month, but under the conditions prevailing here it would in many cases work a hardship if this rule were strictly adhered to, so we carry them on for a much longer time.

way are of a nature to startle one a bit when first seen. I have seen some very strange things uncovered, so strange in fact that I don't believe I should be surprised at anything any more.

"Once there was a man came into the office with a notification card which he presented and asked for his package. I delivered it, and asked him what it Francisco, but he had no notion what Whitehorse he could have sent him. "Together we untied the strings, and is used for the shipment of jewelry. The top was provided with a thumb hold at one end, and as the lid worked pretty tight I had to hold it in such a manner that I could not see what was inside as the top slipped slowly back. "It didn't matter though whether I could see or not. I could feel, and that answered my purpose just as well, because I was in a hurry. As the lid went back something cold and clammy reached up from the interior of the box with all the stories I had ever heard the mails to work death and destruction to anyone unfortunate enough to handle them. I also thought of snakes and reptiles and all the deadly and venomous things which creep and crawl of any brain stimulus other than the thing holding my finger, and I do not wear an electric belt. I just fired the thing whatever it might be, as far from me as I could get it, box and all, and got as far away from it as possible. Then the man who owned it came and investigated, and what do you suppose it was. A horned toad !

"Now, can you conceive of anything more peculiar than this reptile to find its way into a country through the agency of the mail?

"In places where the production of honey and the culture of the honey bee forms one of the industries, queen bees are very often received by mail from Italy.

"Ever since I got that horned toad I have expected to see a rattle snake ke his head out at me every time I en a package."

It is understood that arrangements reality.

gan sinking a hole, and the whole blamed outfit came and sat down to give me a chance to do the developing for the whole stampede."

## An Innovation.

Among the things which were familiar to most of Dawson's citizens at iar to most of Dawson's citizens at home, before they came to the Klon-dike, but which have never been seen here there is something in the office of L. R. Fulda; of the A. E. Co., which comes upon one like the sight of a rag-timet fiend. This is nothing more nor less than a very neatly tiled grate, upon the bars of which burns a cheerful coal fire, glow and crackle makes one rub one's eyes to see if he is dreaming of home or if the familiar scene is a reality.

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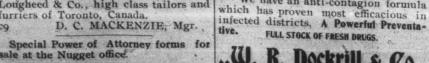
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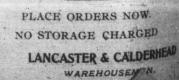
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