

# The Klondike Nugget

ISSUED SEMI-WEEKLY  
On Wednesday and Saturday

Yearly in advance	\$24.00
Six months	12.00
Three months	6.00
Per month by carrier in city (in advance)	2.00
Single copies	.25

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 26, 1898

THE NUGGET is delivered at cabins on Bonanza and Eldorado creeks for two dollars per month. Orders may be left at this office or given to the agent for the creeks.

### NOTICE

When a newspaper offers its advertising space at a nominal figure, it is a practical admission of "no circulation." THE KLONDIKE NUGGET asks a good figure for its space and in justification thereof guarantees to its advertisers a paid circulation five times that of any other paper published between Juneau and the North Pole.

### THE LESSON OF HISTORY.

Recent events call to mind that the history of Canada shows blunders both in policy and in right doing. Far away settlements of diverse racial or national origin have before this had reason to complain of a deafness of the Dominion government to their prayers for what was decided afterwards to be simple justice. The Yukon territory is not at all the first outlying territory whose prayers for relief from unjust laws have gone unheeded. One of the causes which led up to the rebellion of '65 was the apathy of the government to the just demands of the settlers. After the expenditure of millions of dollars and the loss of numerous lives the government decided that quarters should be maintained in the rights which had been denied them before.

In our own case the settlers of the Yukon have at great expense made verbal and written representations to our distant government that their regulations were cruel and unjust. So far as we can tell at this distance our representations have been unheeded. We are so far removed from the seat of government our cries and complaints lose their force and the amusing pastime of bleeding a distant province for friends nearer home is being persisted in spite of the strained feelings it here engenders. Wisdom would suggest that the duties paid by a population of fifty or a hundred thousand people and the increased trade of Canada which would result from so large an addition of population here would more than doubly offset the removal of the royalty. A large part of the goods brought in here the past year were Canadian and thus escaped duty, and yet the total duties paid here and on the summits nearly equalled the royalty in amount. Just and equitable regulations would increase our population several fold and the increase in the total of duties paid would much more than offset the loss of the royalty. Other taxes also would increase in sum total until we should continue to remain the most profitable province of the Dominion of Canada. However, the government appears wedded to the royalty idea and the conviction is forced upon us all that contrary to our hopes we must depend upon our own persistence of agitation to force upon the gold bedimmed vision of our legislators the true facts of their unwisdom and injustice. We would like to entertain within our bosoms a grateful feeling of trust in a gracious parliament, but past history—not so long ago either—shows the government to have been deaf to argument other than rifles. There will be no arguments of that kind used here; the border line is too near and few of our population will ever feel for the Yukon territory that patriotic love of one's birthplace which actuated the inhabitants of the North West when they convinced the parliament of the Dominion of the justice of their claims with the unanswerable logic of lead.

### NEW POLICY WILL BE ENDORSED.

Indications from late state papers point toward Republican success in the approaching congressional elections. With the exception of Southern states which are perennially and constitutionally Democratic and Western states which long have given allegiance to the cause of free silver, the election bids fair to result in an endorsement of the McKinley administration. This of course carries with it popular approval of the government's war policy. It must also be accepted as an indication that a strong and aggressive foreign policy will hereafter be pursued by the United States. The navy will be substantially increased and it may be expected that the standing army will never again reach the minimum strength at which it has stood since the close of the civil war.

With full and complete possession of Porto Rico, the equivalent of a protectorate over, and ultimate possession of Cuba, sovereignty over the Hawaiian islands and possession of at least a portion of the Philippines, the United States has irrevocably entered the lists as a colonial power.

The war with Spain will go down in the history of America as an epoch marking event. From it will be dated an important change in the attitude of the United States toward foreign powers. The possession of colonies means, perhaps, continuous entanglements with other nations, but it means also additional honor and glory to the star spangled banner. It means that the far seeing and watchful eye of American statesmanship must travel beyond the confines of the continent and keep closely in touch with all the intricacies and manipulations of European politics. To guard carefully her own interests and at the same time refrain from encroachments upon the rights of other nations will require the exercise of the most careful and astute diplomacy, but the past history of America warrants the statement that whenever an emergency exists men will be forthcoming to meet it. The developments of the next few years will be filled with events of the utmost importance. The end of course can not be seen from the beginning. Unforeseen conditions and circumstances may arise that will radically change the aspect of affairs, but whatever the result may be, it is safe to say that the American government in future international dealings will figure far more prominently than has been the case heretofore.

### TAXATION WITHOUT REPRESENTATION.

Some two weeks ago this paper advanced a thought for the consideration of any who might be hostile to the movement for incorporation of the city of Dawson. It was pointed out to them that the taxation which would come with cityhood could not be avoided by opposing incorporation even should the opposition be successful in preventing it. Recent developments demonstrate that reasoning to have been prophetic. It is now proposed to arbitrarily appoint a fire commission which will select an assessor or appraiser of city property. Then it is proposed to assess against the property a certain amount of money to be collected and expended for needed improvements commencing with a fire department. Now the question arises: Would not the citizens of Dawson prefer to have a voice in the expenditure of that special tax fund by having the election of the disbursers in their own hands?

Dawson will have to pay for her own improvements. The bills for sanitary ditches, for the grading of streets, for fire protection and kindred city improvements will be paid out of the pockets of our people. Do they prefer the funds to be handled by a man or men wholly irresponsible to themselves? To the gentlemen who are proposing this plan as a substitute for incorporation we suggest that our race has been unflinchingly opposed to such methods of government and nothing but a radical change in our brain structure could or can shape the community to this plan. If such a method is adopted we foresee endless dissatisfaction and bickerings. In the trite slang of the day "the devil will be paid."

It is a sad but established fact that persons and aggregations of persons, as governments, are always indisposed to relinquish any powers they may have in their hands even if it is merely the purely domestic affairs of a far and distant city. Only the unequivocal de-

mands of a people, ever secured self-government for them in any measure. That this people is capable of self government none can deny. Indeed the personnel of our citizens is such as to indelibly stamp them as peculiarly qualified to exercise the franchise. However, this is a matter which will sooner or later right itself. Incorporation is the inevitable fate of Dawson and the activity or apathy of its inhabitants will only hasten or delay the final outcome.

The water front agitation is resulting in opening the eyes of some of the occupants of the strip as to the frailty of their tenure and the insecurity of the lease. Mr. Ogilvie has expressed himself strongly and positively on the matter over his own signature, and gentlemen who have bought substantial buildings on the strip are feeling a little restless. Within the past week several occupants of the strip have expressed their determination to pay no more rent to the original lessees. Should they persist in their determination it may devolve upon them to prove the illegality of the lease to Morrison and McDonald. The point they urge is that the bank of a river is a public highway and no private individuals can have any right to collect rent for the same.

The New York Sun is afraid that if free access is accorded Canadian fish to American markets as an offset to allowing Americans to fish within our three-mile limit the crop of able seamen in the United States will die out, and the navy be thus deprived of its best recruiting ground. This comes of looking too much at one side of a question. The throwing open of more extensive and richer fishing grounds to the American fishermen should surely increase rather than diminish their numbers. When on an equal footing with Canadians in every respect they should surely be able to hold their own.

NINE times out of every ten the fire which burns out a town originates in the districts where the demi-monde congregates. The wisdom of our larger cities has resulted in the setting apart of some portion of the town, and only within those limits are they allowed to dwell. Dawson is a large mining camp pure and simple and any movement to extirpate a certain "necessary evil" would be decidedly unpopular; yet there is a wide spread sentiment that it is unsafe to allow them to occupy the dense, thickly built main portion of the town.

In a few more weeks road work on the claims will be completed and the various creeks will be lined with dumps of pay dirt. Naturally a much better feeling will prevail among the miners when they find the gold sack in the cabin increasing in weight and prospects for a good clean-up in the spring well in sight.

DAWSON will be a much healthier place of residence during the next eight months than it has during the past four. Another and still worse epidemic of typhoid may be expected next summer unless stringent sanitary precautions are taken.

OLD-TIMERS say that the season this year is at least a month behind. It is to be hoped that the ice will not remain a month longer in the river next spring to make up.

Fine line of Domestic and Imported cigars Kelly & Co., Druggists, Front street.

### Notice.

Grosser & Stahl, who formerly had offices in the Warden wish to announce to their friends that they are in no way inconvenienced by reason of the fire and now are located in the McDonald building.

Staple and Fancy Sundries. Complete stock Kelly & Co., Druggists, Front street.

### Special Bargain.

One cabin 14 x 16 and 1 cabin 10 x 19, together with lot 25 x 50. Title guaranteed. Best location in Dawson; close in. Owner has poor health and must go out—a genuine bargain. HARRIS, NUGGET office.

Don't forget that blank bills of sale can now be obtained at the NUGGET office.

When laying in your winter's outfit, remember a subscription to the NUGGET is an essential. Twice a week by carrier—\$2.00 per month.

## THE PIONEER

DINSMORE, SPENCER & MCPHEE, Proprietors  
BEST GRADES OF  
SCOTCH and CANADIAN WHISKIES  
And the Old Favorite Brand of  
JACK McQUESTIAN CIGARS

## THE AURORA

TOM CHISHOLM, Prop'r  
COR. FRONT AND SECOND STREET  
Headquarters for  
BEST OF WINES, LIQUORS AND CIGARS  
Mixed Drinks a Specialty

## ELDORADO SALOON

HALL, MCKINNEY & YOUNG, Proprietors  
KLONDIKE CITY  
Finest Brands of  
Wines, Liquors and Cigars

## THE NORTHERN

ASH & MANNING, Prop'rs  
Choicest Wines, Liquors and Cigars  
Expert Mixologists  
MINING HEADQUARTERS  
FRONT STREET DAWSON

## The "Monte Carlo"

FINEST BAR IN DAWSON  
QUALITY OF WINES AND LIQUORS THE HIGHEST  
Mixed Drinks a Specialty  
HIGHEST GRADES OF CIGARS

## THE OPERA HOUSE

BAKKE, WILSON & PETERSON  
Proprietors  
DAWSON  
Headquarters for Best of  
Wines, Liquors and Cigars  
Mixed Drinks a Specialty

## THE BODEGA

223 First Avenue.  
Most Elegant Gentlemen's Resort  
in Dawson.

## Job Printing

In all its Latest Styles executed from new type faces at this office . . . . .

We have facilities for

Check Binding

Perforating, Numbering and

Stapling

STOCK VERY COMPLETE AND WELL ASSORTED

Plenty of type and press facilities for the quick execution of

Pamphlets, Blanks and Programs

THE KLONDIKE NUGGET

Extensive Preparation to Get Supplies Over  
Tramways to the Bottom of the Hill—No the Creeks—Many La  
The fate of the Bonanza subject of lively interest Sulphur and Dominion are heard on all sides of its promoters or... The problem of ways an awkward series after, causing the small these outlying creeks no... time the human back means within the ability which outfits and supplies claims, and the time cons... has greatly delayed the... Now that development h... and the laymen are busy... are anxious to get in-thel... as possible, and at...  
It has been currently r... that the tramway wo... the summit of the big di... Such a rate wou... Sulphur, Dominion and... their supplies freighted... which they could easily... Their claims—Howev... were not completed... would make sledding... last winter, and wou... small freighters to t... comparatively low rate... new roadway was show... that packers abandoned... the first mile of tram... practically all travel no... from the Klondike river... sledding up the creek... continued until the... the creek bed of Bonanza... but many preferred the... our tram roads. From... the Dome there is snow... in depth. Where there... sledding will be good... It is expected, howev... the greater part, of the... way of the Klondike ri... Freight for Dominion w... branch of Hunker to... Sulphur and Quartz wo... and be pulled up the... by means of ropes and... already on the divide... and Sulphur, and four... are nearing completion... these expect to operate... ascent from Gold Botton... the approach to Chilco... mile in surface distance... There are a number o... of erection in the neig... Creek also, and the su... already opened at a cer... creek. Altogether it se... will be ample accomm... good cheer for the t... will find plodding bet... more distant mines...  
The strike made on... summer has given an... vicinity. The benches... were prospected on the... creek had carried down... claims on these benches... winter, as well as sever... On 79 Bonanza good p... angle hole this summ... probably be well ope... No. 80 will either sell... a portion of the groun... that an offer of \$75,000... of No. 81. On that cl... they below the muck... to \$1 a pan, and bed ro... Much of the pay strea... ing the summer by gr...  
Up to the present t... holders on Sulphur h... in their preparations... and but few have as... Water stopped sinkin... claims as late as six... however, there are in... a dozen holes in whic... averaging say 25 cent... bed rock. These hole... intervals along the c... below to about six m... On 30 a pay streak o... least 50 feet wide, has... From 74 above, whic... mile of the divide, cl... there is scarcely a cl... the liveliest bustle ar... lay on a single claim... are quite as many ca... phur creek as there... dorado.  
Back f... O. L. Wiley returns... from his summer's... spent in Chicago an... has pleasant recoll... when he left there... from Cuba were ar... were being welcome