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TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 1900

JUSTICE AT LENGTH.

The announcement as published in yesterday's issue of this paper respecting the disposition of placer ground now held in reserve by the crown is the first real, substantial response that has yet been heard to the many appeals for reform that have gone down to Ottawa during the past three years.

The plan of placing the claims on sale and allowing public bidding on them is certainly objectionable. The experience of past sales has demonstrated pretty conclusively that there is no revenue to the government in claims which are put up for auction. As a matter of fact, several of the sales which have been held failed even to return the expenses involved in conducting the sale. The claims concerned have, in consequence been branded as having little or no value even though many of them by reason of proximity to ground of known richness ought naturally to command a fair price.

The fact remains, however, that all claims in the district are soon to pass from the possession of the government and into the hands of purchasers or locators to whose advantage it will be that they be developed and the gold in them taken out at the earliest possible moment.

The meaning of all this is clear. It means the employment of a greater number of men; the use of more machinery, the purchase of more goods and a large increase in the yield of gold. It means for Dawson a continuation of the prosperity which the town is enjoying at present, with a constant increase in the amount of business transacted.

In a word, this new order is by far the most important announcement that has come from the government during the past year. It indicates a final determination on the part of the Ottawa authorities to allow the Yukon territory to grow and flourish, as by every right it is entitled to do. The case of the Yukon territory has been pleaded with so much vigor and effect that justice, though late in coming, is at length to be done. We hail the announcement of this order to dispose of all crown ground as an omen of the best and most prosperous era that the Yukon has as yet known.

Strenuous efforts are being put forward by the interior department for the preservation of timber in the western part of the Dominion. The chief inspector of forestry has recently issued a report in which it is shown that enormous quantities of timber are annually destroyed by fire and vigorous means are being taken to prevent such losses wherever possible. It would be a first-class idea should some of the measures proposed be extended to the Yukon territory. Our timber resources are almost equally valuable with our supply of gold, for without the former the development of the latter would be much more difficult and expensive than is the case at present.

If a very small proportion of the 6000 or 7000 claims which are soon to be thrown on the market are worked, Dawson

will stride forward next summer at a much more rapid rate even than she has done during the past season. A year ago the town was seemingly in the throes of death and dissolution. The government was furnishing the death part of the program and Nome was looking after the dissolution. Now the outlook is entirely different. The Nome rush has passed into a memory, the government has experienced a change of heart and Dawson is striding ahead at a rate which in another year or two will cause many outside towns of metropolitan pretensions to look well to their laurels. Such, however, are the ups and downs which are the common lot of mining communities.

Sluice-box robbing is one of the most serious crimes that can be committed in this country. In the first place it is a comparatively easy crime to commit, and in the second place it strikes at the foundation of the one industry upon which the country depends for its continued existence. Apparently a harsh example is required to force men of naturally criminal instincts to understand what they are doing when they seek to possess themselves of the products of another man's claim.

The presidential campaign in the States is progressing very quietly. Apparently the Republicans are certain of victory and don't care to waste any unnecessary money or energy, and the Democrats seeing defeat inevitable are unable to discover any advantage to be gained from throwing good money into a hopeless fight. From a distance of some 2000 or 3000 miles it looks as though both parties have reached a wise determination.

There are few places where wild berries grow more profusely than in the Yukon territory. Blueberries and cranberries have come into market by hundreds of gallons, while other varieties have been found in more or less profusion, and still there are people who claim that the Yukon is a howling wilderness incapable of producing anything with which to sustain life.

Our more or less esteemed contemporary the News gravely informs its readers in a recent issue that it lost thousands of subscribers during the Nome rush. It would be interesting to know how many subscribers the News had left after losing 3000 or 4000.

According to the ordinary acceptance of things dog days ought to be over, but according to the way the average malamute will look at the matter, dog days are just about to begin.

A man who is naturally crooked will always suspect his neighbor of dishonesty.

Wanted, a Job.

At no time in the past ten months have there been so many men looking for positions in Dawson as at present. The reason for this is that a great many men are coming in from the outside and an equally large number are down from the creeks where on a vast number of claims work has been suspended until the first of the year. The majority of those coming in from the outside are of the class that prefers to work at something in town instead of out on the creeks. For every position of gold weigher, book keeper and bar keeper there are numerous applicants. The managers of gambling houses are also besieged by dozens of applications for positions as dealers, case keepers and even boosting. While there are in Dawson a great many positions, there is but little doubt but that if every incumbent would resign today, his position would be filled tomorrow by a new man. Too many people are coming here with not sufficient means to live even two weeks without earning something, and vacant positions waiting to encompass the new arrivals are few and obscure.

Best Canadian rye at the Regina.

Mrs. Maggie Warnke has opened a first-class restaurant at the Hotel Metropole. Meals a la carte. c20

Information Wanted.

Will any person who knew James P. Brace or was present at his funeral October, 1898, communicate with Undertaker Green, or Wm. Northrop, lock box 410. p19.

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PERSONALITIES.

Congressman Littlefield, of Maine, always dresses in black. Even his ties are of that somber hue.

Congressman Bingham of Pennsylvania is said to own more suits of clothes than any other man in Washington.

Gov. Stenness, of Idaho, is physically the most impressive governor in this country. He is far over six feet tall and of herculean figure.

Senator Depew is of the opinion that had there been a successful national university at Washington 50 years ago there would never have been a civil war.

Representative Jefferson M. Levy, of New York, owns and maintains Monticello, the home of Thomas Jefferson, "in keeping with its distinguished traditions."

Lewis Wilkins, a native of St. Paul, is said to be the tallest man in the world. He is 8 feet 11 inches tall, broad in proportion and weighs 364 pounds.

Congressman Charles B. Landis, of Indiana, is a close friend of James Whitcomb Riley, the poet, who is always the congressman's guest when in Washington.

The costume of Senator Platt, of New York, is almost unvarying, except in very warm weather. He always wears a black Prince Albert coat and trousers of striped gray.

George Frederick Williams, of Boston, is a blue-eyed, light complexioned, well dressed bachelor of 44. His father, a German, came to America as George Weinigman, but changed the name to Williams.

Levi P. Morton, of New York, is a firm believer in Friday as a lucky day, contrary to general opinion, and in making big real estate transactions always arranges so that they take place on that day of the week.

William Waldorf Astor was always tolerably skilled with the rapier, and since taking up his residence in England has continued practice under the best swordsmen until he is a match for some of the most noted duelists in Europe.

The popularity of ex-Governor Pingree, of Michigan, among the Poles and Hungarians of Detroit is in a large measure due to his ability to speak the languages of those people. When he started out to work among them he first took lessons in their tongues.

One English marquis has to work for his living. The Marquis of Normandy, who was a clergyman when he succeeded to the title ten years ago and is now a canon of Windsor, found his estates heavily incumbered. He thereupon turned schoolmaster and opened a preparatory school for the sons of noblemen and gentlemen that has brought him money.

A Heavy Cargo.

When the steamer Coquitlam gets away this afternoon, or evening, she will be loaded to her deck line. She is already heavily loaded, and there are two carloads of iron to go on deck before she finishes taking on cargo at Evans, Coleman & Evans wharf. That done she will go back to the Union S. S. Co.'s dock and load two nine-ton boilers for the northern gold country. From present appearances there will be nothing but house and smoke stack visible when she sails fully loaded, and her deck is likely to be awash. Only once before was the steamer loaded so deep. She took a load of steel rails for the White Pass & Yukon railway to Skagway, and her hatches were literally under water. The whole deck was loaded, and everything closed and battened up. To get below to their staterooms and dining rooms, the officers had to go down through the skylight in the poop deck to the engine room, and from there to the cabin. The same route is likely to be used this trip.

The Coquitlam is taking one of the most mixed up cargoes that was ever shipped to Dawson, that place of all places for importing all kinds of goods. There are the two boilers mentioned, hoists and pumps, ore cars for Whitehorse, an athletic club outfit for the same place, groceries, dry goods, hardware, ax handles and everything else for Dawson, and to show that the hearts of the Canadians up there are in the right place, a huge bundle of lacrosse sticks consigned to McLennan, McFeely & Co., Ltd. — Vancouver Province, Sept. 7.

Stewart Work Progressing.

A prospector in the new Stewart river diggings at Clear creek reports that district to be all right and very promising for permanent work. "There are now," he says, "five hundred men in the country and plenty of grub has been sent in to last all winter. Where I am working I have found gold wherever it could be expected to lay, the pans running from three to twenty-five cents."

The creek is not reported to be particularly rich, but gold is taken out in paying quantities. A great deal of the work being done in that country is said to be shrouded in mystery as the men interested do not wish to start a stampede, and wish to keep as far away as possible from the entanglements anticipated by the advent among them of the representatives of the government.

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