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THE QUEEN'S BIRTHDAY.

Dawson's celebration of the Queen's birthday, yesterday, was an occasion which will linger long in the memories of all who participated in its pleasures. In respect to weather, the day was all that could be desired. There was an apparent well laid system in the arrangements, which was sustained during the entire day. The various athletic events were announced and carried out with promptness, and the large crowds in attendance were skillfully and satisfactorily handled by Sergeant Wilson and his assistants, to whom is due much praise for so conducting affairs as to prevent any accidents occurring.

There was a total absence of rowdyism and similar disagreeable adjuncts of a day of celebration, which gave added pleasure to the day's festivities. There was a strong representation down from the creeks, all of which contributed their share of merrymakers. The good nature which seemed to pervade the crowd was infectious, and kept everyone in a good humor, despite the warmth of the afternoon sun. Altogether, Dawson quite sustained her reputation as a loyal town, and one which is always to do proper and fitting honor to such occasions as yesterday.

We doubt if many towns of the same size as Dawson observed her majesty's birthday with a more elaborate celebration than was held here.

COMMISSION REQUIRED.

The investigation now being conducted in the gold commissioner's office should be made the starting point for a most searching examination of the records of that department of the public service. The people of the Yukon territory, and, in fact, the people of Canada in general, will never be satisfied that the gold commissioner's office has been properly conducted, during the three years of its existence, until some properly constituted authority has gone into the history of the office and delivered an unbiased and unprejudiced judgment upon the methods which have prevailed in conducting its business. Beyond the peradventure of a doubt, there has been an amount of crookedness within the office which would prove startling if the facts were known. This has become so firmly established in the public mind, by reason of matters which are of common knowledge, that demonstration of its truth is not required, although that might be easily accomplished.

In view of these circumstances, it appears strange that no effort should be made by those high in authority to sift the matter to the bottom and determine where to place the responsibility.

The so-called commission of

investigation, held in Dawson more than a year ago, did not fulfill the objects for which it was ostensibly called into existence. Had it done so, there are cases now pending before the criminal court which, in all probability, would never have arisen. A thoroughly good cleansing was what the commissioner's office then required, and what it still requires, in order that the administration of its business may be re-established in the confidence of the people. As long as guilt is shielded, and crime allowed to flourish without check, the invitation will remain open for constant repetition of just such offenses as are now being tried before the courts.

A thorough overhauling of the office, an expert examination into its books and records, and access given the public and press to all the latter, are all needed to place the office in the confidence of the people. The odium of the Fawcett regime has been handed down to the present day, and never will be removed until no further occasion remains for its existence. It will never be removed by suppression of facts from the public, nor by efforts at shielding wrong-doers from the results of their offenses.

A commission, with unlimited powers of investigation, is as much required today as ever.

The Yukon council should make a strong effort to induce the Ottawa government to divert a portion of the consolidated federal revenues for local uses in Dawson and on the neighboring creeks. Canada has had a prosperous year throughout the entire country, and a handsome surplus is now in the treasury. The Yukon territory's contribution to the Dominion coffers is far over and above what it costs to maintain it, and the difference, at the very least, should be sent back here for the purpose of improving roads and otherwise adding to the desirability of the country as a place of residence. A strong plea should go down to Ottawa this summer, with the above object in view.

Our contemporary, the News, which prides itself, above all things, upon the up-to-dateness of its news, published a long article, in a recent issue, concerning William Sylvester Taylor, of Kentucky, who, the News gravely assures us, has been nominated by the Republicans of that state for the office of governor. For the benefit of our contemporary's "extensive news-gathering service," we will say that Mr. Taylor was nominated in Kentucky, but that happened some six months ago, and he is now under indictment, charged with murdering his rival, Goebel. The News would do well to investigate its "exclusive telegraph franchises" a little. They seem to be somewhat out of order.

Tom Corwin's Ready Wit.

Gov. John Brough was once matched against Corwin and in his speech said: "Gentlemen, my honored opponent himself, while he preaches advocacy of home industry, has a carriage at home which he got in England; had it shipped across the water to him. How is that for supporting home industry and labor?"

When Corwin came to the stand, he made a great show of embarrassment. He stammered and began slowly:

"Well, gentlemen, you have heard what my friend Mr. Brough has to say about my carriage. I plead guilty to the charge, and I have only two things to say in my defense. The first is that the carriage came to me from an English ancestor as an heirloom, and I had to take it. Again, I have not used it for seven years, and it has been standing in my back yard all that time, and the chickens have converted it into a roost. Now, gentlemen," with a

steady look at Brough. "I have nothing further to say in my defense, but I would like to know how Brough knows anything about my carriage if he has not been visiting my henroost!"—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Newspaper Advertising.

Frank Daniels made an experiment recently at Wallack's theater, New York city. Speaking of it, the comedian said:

"Between the acts ushers distributed among the audience slips with a brief printed statement politely asking the recipient to indicate by a check mark in the list of various advertising forms employed which one had attracted him to the performance—newspapers, billboards, window lithographs, or something else. The people seemed to take kindly to the idea, and the response was most liberal. Eleven hundred slips were handed to the ushers, and of that number 991 had been attracted by the newspapers, solely."

Please Call.

Mr. Charles Dieffendorf, of San Francisco, will be given some valuable information if he will call at the Nugget office.

Same old price, 25 cents, for drinks at the Regina.

A Snap.

Furnished cabin, together with lot 25x100 feet, good location, for sale; a bargain. Owner going to Nome. Address A., Nugget office.

Table d'hotel dinners. The Holborn

For Sale at a Bargain.

The Popular lodging house and Popular restaurant, situated on Second street, opposite Aurora, doing a fine business; proprietor unable to attend to the business, owing to sickness; will sell cheap. Apply on the premises.

R. J. HILTS, Proprietor.

For Sale.

Steam launch, with boiler and engine complete. Apply Nugget office.

Parties having mining ground partially worked, or full claims favorably situated, can find a purchaser through Norton D. Walling, Grand Forks, C-6-3

Chloride of lime. Pioneer drug store.

Best imported wines and liquors at the Regina.

Full Line Choice Brands
Wines, Liquors and Cigars
Chisholm's Saloon

TOM CHISHOLM, Proprietor
John McDonald...

Merchant Tailor
Full Line of New Suitings.
FIRST AVE. OPP. S. Y. T. WAREHOUSE

Negligee Shirts..
I have by all odds the best line in Dawson

All Silk Silk Fronts
Pique Fronts

Zephyrs Precales
Etc., Etc.

Come and See Them
J. P. McLennan.
Front St. Next Holborn Cafe

Mitchell, Lewis & Staver Co.
OF SEATTLE, WASH.
Mining Machinery of All Descriptions. Pumping Plants a Specialty. Orders Taken for Early Spring Delivery.
Chas. E. Severance, Gen. Agt., Room 15, A. C. Building

Going Down River?
Yes? Well how about
Oars **Shindler**
Rowlocks
Oakum
Pitch
Rope
The Hardware Man
Front St.

Fairchild Hotel and Bar
Family Trade Solicited for Fine Liquors.
Canadian Club Whiskey, \$3.50 per Quart Bottle
W. E. Fairchild, Prop. South of P. O.

Electric Light
Steady Satisfactory Safe
Dawson Electric Light & Power Co. Ltd.
Donald B. Olson, Manager.
City Office Joslyn Building.
Power House near Klondike. Tel. No. 1

Alaska Commercial Company

RIVER STEAMERS	The Steamers	TRADING POSTS
Sarah Hannah Susie Louise Leah Alice	Bella Margaret Victoria Yukon Florence	ALASKA St. Michael Andreofsky Anvik Nulato Tanana Minook (Rampart) Fort Hamlin Circle City Engle City
OCEAN STEAMERS	Will Leave Dawson for St. Michael the	KOYUKUK DISTRICT Koyukuk Bergman
San Francisco to St. Michael and Nome St. Paul Portland Rainier	..EARLY PART OF JUNE.. The Leah connects with the Str. Bella for Upper Koyukuk	YUKON TERRITORY Fortymile Dawson
St. Michael to Golovin Bay, Nome and Cape York Dora Sadie Fay	Cawson Post is Fitted With Public Safe Deposit Vaults.	

THE KLONDIKE CORPORATION, LTD.
Operating the Swift and Reliable Steamers

ORA, NORA, FLORA

BETWEEN DAWSON AND BENNETT

These Steamers Hold the Record for Three Successive Years for
...SPEED and REGULARITY

Clean and comfortable staterooms. No expense spared in supplying the table with all the delicacies possible to procure. Experienced captain in charge. No delay. Courteous treatment to all.

Office at Calderhead & Lancaster's Dock
R. W. CALDERHEAD, Agent

S.-Y. T. Co. Seattle No. 3 & Rock Island

S.-Y. T. Co.'s First Steamer will leave Dawson for St. Michael on or about
MAY 28th
and the second about a week later.

S.-Y. T. Ticket Office
S.-Y. T. Dock, Dawson

Yukon Flyer Transportation Co.

Strs. "Bonanza King" and "Eldorado"

Speed, Safety, Comfort. For reservation of staterooms and tickets or for any further information apply to company's office.

T. M. DANIELS, AGT., AURORA DOCK
NELS PETERSON, Owner

STATIONERS...

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LINDA
LEON
HERMAN
MARY F. GRAFF
F. K. GUSTIN
AND 6 LARGE BARGES

NOME

ST. MICHAEL
NOME
GOLOVIN
RAMPART
EAGLE
DAWSON

TRAVEL BY A RELIABLE LINE


The commodious steamer F. K. GUSTIN, Geo. L. Hill, master, will leave Dawson, upon the opening of navigation for St. Michael and Way Ports, connecting with vessels for Nome and with our Al-palatial Ocean Steamships "Zealandia" for San Francisco and "Humboldt" for Seattle.

FOR FREIGHT OR PASSAGE APPLY TO

THE Alaska Exploration Co.

TRADING & EXPLORING CO. LTD.

Str. Yukoner



THE FASTEST AND MOST ELEGANTLY APPOINTED STEAMER ON THE YUKON WILL LEAVE ABOUT JUNE FIRST FOR

For Rates Apply to T. & E. Co., First Ave.

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Steamer "John C. Barr"
Will Sail for Nome
ON OR ABOUT JUNE 1

Connecting at St. Michael with the first class S. S. ROANOKE for SEATTLE and all Outside Points. Accommodations Unsurpassed.

Are You Going to Nome or Koyukuk?

If so, get your outfit from us. All our goods are of the best quality and will give you satisfaction.

A. E. CO. A. E. CO.