

## EXCELLENT NOME LETTER.

R. O. Lazier Graphically Depicts Conditions There.

Country Is Unquestionably Rich—Fuel and Lumber Scarce—No Supplies of Provisions.

William Boyce, a well known pioneer resident of Dawson, employed by the Yukon Mill Company as saw-filer lately received the following letter from another former resident and well-known Dawsonite. As the letter is complete in news of the kind that is most in demand by the hundreds who contemplate the trip to Nome in the spring, we take pleasure in giving it to the readers of The Nugget in full:

Anvil City, Oct. 18, '99  
Mr. Wm. Boyce, Dear Friend:  
I arrived here just 12 days out from Dawson; had a very pleasant trip down the river to St. Michaels, but a very rough one to this point on the steamer Sadie. Here, Bill, is as I find it, a town of 4000 people all in a hustle to do one of two things—build a place to live in or secure a passage out of the country. And I figure that at least one-third of the people will go out, as there are steamers sufficient to carry them. The fare is \$100 first-class, \$75 second-class. I have been out on the creek twice and up the beach 12 miles and down six miles, and the entire 18 miles has produced gold, and it is estimated that \$1,000,000 has been taken out of the distance. I have mentioned. I watched a man pan out three pans of dirt taken of bedrock three feet from the surface and he secured \$28. A friend of mine claims that he and his partner took out an average of \$68 each for 17 days. One day they got \$487. Ten dollars a day is considered very ordinary. The creek diggings where it has been developed, has turned out very rich. No. 2, Anvil creek, showed up \$100,000 in less than two months' work and the deepest diggings was seven feet. The only creeks that have been developed up to date are Anvil, Snow and Glacier creeks, that empty into Snake river, and Dexter creek that empties into Nome river. All these creeks have showed up very rich. Fine prospects have been found on many other creeks and in fact it is stated not a creek in the district but has shown up gold more or less. Nome river and Snake river empty into the sea about four miles apart. From what I have seen, this is by far the richest district I have ever looked over, and it can be worked at one-third the expense of that at Dawson. It is estimated that 18 miles of this beach has produced \$1,000,000 in a little over two months. I have secured a claim since my arrival, and was asked to put a price on it, but when I refused the party told me I had been lucky, as they have struck it rich just below me.

As a sample of this being a poor man's camp, just a few days before I arrived a ship sailed out of here with 160 passengers and they tell me that no one had a hard luck story. All had money—from \$1000 up. This of itself will recomend the camp, as no camp has ever produced such a thing. Now the other side of the situation: I had a camp almost destitute of fuel of any kind, aside from drift wood which has accumulated on the beach for years, and most of which is useless from the fact that the salt water destroys the life of it. Then I had a scarcity of lumber, even at \$125 per thousand. One half of the buildings are partially completed, and more lumber needed to make them inhabitable. And again, there is only enough provision to hold them up for about three months. Now for the amount of goods in sight: Steamer Bertua is expected every day from Frisco with 500 tons of provisions. The Sadie will probably bring over from St. Michaels, say 500 tons more and the steamer Portland just arrived from Dutch Harbor with 700 tons of coal, all for the A. C. Co. The steamer Roanoke has just arrived with 250,000 feet of lumber and 300 tons of provisions for the N. A. T. Co., and the A. E. Co., expect 500 tons more of provisions. But with all this there will be none to spare. As it is, dear boy, you are just as well off where you are, so do not be discontented, as many who are here wish they were in Dawson for the winter, as there is no visible show of earning anything this winter here, as the diggings are practically closed for this season. The only thing you could do if you were here would be to watch your chance to get hold of something and catch the sucker in the spring.  
I saw McKenny on my arrival here

and am now sitting in one of his cabins writing on my knee. Mac arrived here, he claims, with less than one dollar, and now has ten lots that he has refused \$2500 for, two cabins and a winter supply. Not so bad for the old boy, is it?

I am feeling fine and eating my allowance with fair prospects. I will write you again on the first mail up to Dawson or before if the opportunity presents itself to get it to you. Believe me as ever your sincere friend.  
R. O. LAZIER.

### Big Run of Luck.

All the faro players in Dawson are striving to follow the smoke of an old man known as "French Paul"—not Oom Paul of South Africa fame, but plain "French Paul," who for, perhaps half a century, has followed the humble though praiseworthy calling of cook. Being of a festive disposition the aged knight of the kitchen frequently, whiles away a dull hour at tables where they use such terms as "markers," "coppers," "highcard," etc. Of late the manufacturer of delectable pastry and Dame Fortune have been swinging adown the lane of life hand in hand. For a full month he has had most phenomenal luck at faro, and has added from \$100 to \$250 to his exchequer nearly every day during that time. Not being of a selfish disposition, he divides his patronage among the several gambling-houses, and when he has held down a stool for an hour or so it is pretty safe to bet that house is out the price of several "stacks." Strange to relate, it is not reported that any prima donna has yet attempted to win Paul for her onlyest own.

### Fate.

"Oh George!" wailed the maiden as she met him in the darkened hallway, "we can't be married tomorrow! It will have to be postponed!"  
"What is the matter, darling?" said George, his knees trembling under him. "Is any relative dead? Has your Uncle Hiram failed in business?"  
"Worse than that!" she sobbed. "There's a b b-boil coming on the end of my nose!"

### His Modest Request.

"I am your friend," said the doctor to the sick citizen, "and I must not deceive you. You have only two hours to live."  
"Only two hours?"  
"Only two."  
"An you say you are my friend, doctor?"  
"I am—I am!"  
"Then do me one last favor."  
"Name it."  
"Pay off the mortgage on my mule an boss an take care o' my wife and 13 children."

### Cold Times in Billville.

Don't forget—a load of wood will give you the paper for six months. Please see that it is cut stove length, as we have no ax.

Thanks to Colonel Jones for a gallon of maple syrup. As soon as we can get a loaf of bread we will be able to utilize it.

We have padded our linen duster with an army blanket and stuffed all the broken window panes with last year's newspapers. Let the cold wave come!

Our relatives in the Redbone district had no almanac and, mistaking the cold wave for Christmas, have come, 15 strong, to spend the holidays with us.

Our paper now circulates in five counties, for five families, having made enough money to leave town, carried copies with them.—Atlanta Constitution.

### The American Girl.

She aired her French knowledge at Paris in vain, Although she essayed it again and again, Until with a toss of her proud little head, "They don't understand their own language!" she said.  
—Helen Chauncey.

### Take Notice.

That under and by virtue of a power of sale contained in a mortgage of a ship, which said mortgage will be produced at the time of sale, there will be sold at public auction, by William Furnival, auctioneer, at his premises in the Victoria building, Second street, Dawson, Yukon territory, at the hour of 2 o'clock in the afternoon, on the first day of February, 1900, a stern-wheel steamer called the Gold Star, of 168 gross tons burthen, containing a 100-horse power engine registered at the port of Dawson as No. 107,856.  
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