

UNUSUALLY CONTORTED

Statements Which Need Correction

Board of Trade Gold Dust Resolutions Are by no Means a Bluff.

The effort of the Sun in its Sunday morning's issue to belittle the action of the board of trade upon the gold dust question has caused quite an amount of unfavorable comment among the business men to whom the matter is one of vital interest.

"Our position," said he, "is just as it was agreed by all at the meeting. After May 1 on all new business arising after that date we will accept gold dust only at \$15 an ounce. In settlement of all old bills, however, accounts which have accumulated prior to May 1, we will allow \$18 an ounce for dust providing the royalty upon it has been paid, which must be proven to our satisfaction, or the creditor must suffer the addition of the 2 1/2 per cent. export tax. That is in conformity with the resolutions passed

The Ladue Quartz Mill

IS NOW IN OPERATION.

We have made a large number of tests and are ready to make others.

We have the best plant money will buy and guarantee all our work in this mill and also in the

Assay Office

EMPIRE HOTEL... JAS. F. MACDONALD, MAX. LANDREVILLE. Everything New, Elegantly Furnished. Well Heated. Bar Attached. SECOND STREET. Near Second Ave.

Rochester Bar

Billy Baird, Prop. Cor. 2nd Ave and King St.

Detroit Lubricators!

1-3, 1-2 AND 1 PT.

Our stock of Lubricators is complete. Call and see us when you need anything in steam fitter's SUPPLIES. Water and steam packing a speciality.

McLennan, McFeely & Co., Ltd.

and we propose to adhere to it strictly." It might be added that elsewhere in this issue will be seen an advertisement of the N. C. Co. notifying their customers of the intentions of the company in almost the precise terms as set out by Mr. Mizner in his interview. There is small chance of the \$15 an ounce resolution being only a bluff with all the company stores and the balance of the leading mercantile houses of the city adhering to that determination. With the present rate of discount of \$1.25 an ounce on commercial dust and the addition of the 2 1/2 per cent. export tax such a measure of self protection on the part of the merchants became an absolute necessity.

About the Weather.

When Dawson awoke this morning it was to find her water courses frozen up and the mud congealed to such an extent that it would hold a horse. The thermometer last night fell to 22 degrees, the coldest it has been for some time. There has been but one night so far this year that frost has not appeared, and that was on the 25th.

Few Have Appeared.

"Up to date," said Comptroller Lithgow this morning, "only one person has appeared to have his gold dust boxed and sealed prior to April 30 so he can escape the export tax. Tomorrow and particularly on Wednesday I anticipate quite a rush as many of the large exporters will naturally wait until the last day in order to get in all they can."

At this season of the year practically all the dust in the country is in the hands of the banks and the merchants, it being too early for any of this year's output to appear.

He Needs the Money.

The chances are that Burley and Billie Bates will not be seen in a boxing contest very soon unless Bates agrees to terms different from those he is holding out for now, which are that he wishes to meet Burley in a ten-round go for half the gate receipts and no decision. The chances are that for a go of that kind the gate receipts would be infinitesimally small.

Pay Your Bills.

Notice is hereby given to all persons indebted to The Alaska Commercial Company that accounts remaining unpaid May 15th next will be placed in the hands of the company's solicitor for collection.

Food properly cooked prevents dyspepsia—try the Northern Cafe.

FOR SALE—One 30-horsepower boiler. Apply T. Shaw Boiler Works. p30

Old Timer Dead

Special to the Daily Nugget. Ottawa, April 28.—Hon. David Reesor, a member of the legislative council of Canada prior to confederation, and senator until his appointment lapsed through non-attendance, is dead, aged 80 years.

Chechaco grub for Sour Doughs—Northern Cafe.

HOLBORN CAFE

R. L. HALL, PROPRIETOR. Business Lunch 11:30 a. m. to 3:30 p. m. Dinner 4:30 to 9:00 p. m. — OPEN ALL NIGHT —

FIRST AVENUE. Next J. P. McLennan's

Shoff's Rheumatic Liniment

Greatest liniment of the age for sprains, bruises and rheumatic pains.

PIONEER DRUG STORE

MERCHANTS ARE AGREED

Will Accept and Pay Gold Dust Hereafter at the Rate of \$15 per Ounce—The Names of Firms Who Have Thus Far Signed Compact.

The movement begun at the board of trade rooms on Friday night for a reduction in the rate at which gold dust is taken for commercial uses from \$16 per oz. to \$15 per oz., has culminated in an agreement to that effect carrying the signatures of the principal business houses of the city.

A committee consisting of Messrs. H. C. Macaulay, R. P. McLennan and T. G. Wilson, was appointed to circulate the agreement for signatures. The committee was out only a short time, but sufficient signatures have already been received to give the document binding force and effect.

The committee will continue their work until all who may desire may be given an opportunity of signing. The agreement, with signatures as thus far obtained, is as follows: The merchants of Dawson in meeting assembled, in the rooms of the Dawson Board of Trade, Friday evening, April 25th, 1902, passed the following resolution:

Moved by R. P. McLennan, seconded by A. B. Palmer,— "Resolved, That on and after the 1st day of May, 1902, we, the merchants of Dawson, accept gold dust at the rate of \$15 per ounce; that the commercial rate at which gold dust circulates shall be changed from \$16 to \$15 per ounce." Unanimously carried.

Moved by Geo. M. Allen, seconded by H. C. Macaulay,— "Resolved, That a committee of four be appointed by the chairman, to engross and circulate this resolution, for the signature of the business houses of Dawson; "It being understood that upon the assent and signature of a majority in interest of the business firms of Dawson, effect shall be given to such change on and after the 1st day of May, 1902." Unanimously carried.

THE NAVAL PROGRAM

As Submitted by Secretary Foss

Does Not Speak Encouragingly of Uncle Sam's Fighting Capabilities.

Special to the Daily Nugget. Seattle, April 28.—A Washington special to the Seattle Times says the naval program for 1903 as presented in the naval appropriation bills and accompanying report filed today by Chairman Foss, of the house naval committee, is of unusual interest. The report does not take an optimistic view of the United States' naval progress, and Foss points out that comparatively few United States ships have real fighting value. He accompanies this with a statement of enormous armament and programs of other countries, particularly of Germany. It is shown that the total number of vessels in the United States navy built and building is 138 and the total cost will be \$235,082,209. The report adds: "While we have built and are building 138 ships, yet compared with others few have real fighting value. Our naval progress lies almost entirely in our 18 battle ships, 8 armored cruisers and 21 protected cruisers. The rest of our ships would cut but little figure in actual war. Ships of battle line practically alone determine the naval strength of a nation." Concerning new ships the report says: "The

Chairman E. A. Mizner appointed as such committee, Messrs. George M. Allen, Henry C. Macaulay, R. P. McLennan and T. G. Wilson.

- Signed: Macaulay Bros. North American Trading & Transportation Co., By J. J. Delaney. Ames Mercantile Co., per Jas. L. Gray. Ladue Co. Stores, T. B. Cooke, Mgr. J. I. Seabrook. McLennan, McFeely & Co., Ltd., R. P. McLennan. Northern Commercial Co., by E. A. Mizner, Manager Eastern Div. The Orr & Tukey Co., Ltd per W. J. Tukey, Pres. Frank T. Way. T. G. Wilson. J. E. Lilly & Co. F. A. Cleveland, per S. Benning, Atty. B. A. Dodge. Palmer Bros. Thos. O'Brien. Chas. Milne. T. M. Heath, D. T. & S. Company. Thos. Adair. D. A. Shindler. Holme, Miller & Co. Gilbert & Johnston. Tacoma Hardware Co. McDonald Iron Works Co., J. E. Doherty, Mgr. Nott & Kaiser. Dawson Hardware Co., Ltd., per W. M. Jones. The Klondike Nugget, Geo. M. Allen, Mgr. Pioneer Saloon. Geo. Butler, Prop. Northern Cafe. A. H. Griffin, Prop. Hershberg & Co. Dawson News Pub. Co.

committee recommend that for the purpose of further increasing the naval establishment of the United States, construction of two first class battle ships carrying heaviest armor and most powerful ordnance, vessels of their class upon trial with a displacement of 16,000 tons and to have highest practicable speed and great radius of action and to cost exclusive of armor and armament, not exceeding \$4,212,000 each; two first class armed cruisers of 14,500 tons trial displacement, to cost, exclusive of armor and armament, not exceeding \$4,659,000 each, and two gun boats of 1,000 tons each.

Other interesting features are provisions for a board of naval officers to recommend a site for a naval training school at some point on the Great Lakes; an increase of the enlisted force of the navy by 3,000 men; provision for a new navy ration as reported by naval board; and an increase of the number of cadets at the naval academy by 5,000.

The detailed statement shows that the appropriation bill carries \$77,659,386, which is slightly below the appropriations made last year. Some of the main items follow: Pay of navy, \$16,138,100; bureau of ordnance, \$3,109,900; bureau of equipment, \$5,306,202; public works bureau, yards and docks, \$6,651,075; bureau of supplies and accounts, \$3,803,952; bureau of construction and repairs, \$8,585,824; bureau of steam engineering, \$3,983,900; marine corps \$2,938,465; increase of navy construction and machinery, \$13,363,010; armour and armament, \$9,000,000.

Remains Were Interred. Yesterday afternoon the remains of Thos. Middleton, the accountant in the gold commissioner's office who suicided some months ago, were in-

terred in Hillside cemetery. Since his death the body has been kept at the undertaking establishment of Brimstone & Stewart pending the arrival of word from the relatives as to the final disposition of the body. It was finally decided that the interment should take place here. There were no additional services held, the remains being followed to their last resting place by a number of the deceased's friends and fellow associates.

More Elections

Special to the Daily Nugget. Regina, April 28.—The territorial assembly has dissolved. Nominations are fixed for May 6 and polling for May 27. will be fought on the principle of provisional autonomy, Haultain's government being pledged to one province, while the opposition platform declares for two. Both parties oppose annexation of any part of the territories to Manitoba.

Family Burned

Special to the Daily Nugget. Winnipeg, April 28.—Through the burning of the home of John Baptiste of Monchamp village, St. Norbert, Man., his four sons, ages 3 to 15, and his daughter, aged four, perished. Another child is dying of frightful burns and the father and mother are in precarious conditions.

Rah for Canada!

Special to the Daily Nugget. London, April 28.—The Toronto team defeated the Duke of Argyll's lacrosse team for the championship of Great Britain Saturday, ten goals to three, in the presence of the king. The Torontos have had an easy thing all of their tour.

Victory for Strikers

Special to the Daily Nugget. San Francisco, April 28.—The San Francisco street car strike has ended in a victory for the men, who had the sympathy of the entire community.

Wreckage Found

Special to the Daily Nugget. Vancouver, April 28.—Wreckage found on the shore of Queen Charlotte Sound indicates that it is from a salmon ship, presumably the British ship Red Rock from Fraser river to Liverpool.

Curler Drowned

Special to the Daily Nugget. Winnipeg, April 28.—Samuel Harstone, Winnipeg's champion curler, was accidentally drowned yesterday.

Our \$2.50 hat is a stunner. Ames Mercantile Co.

P. B. Butter, have no other.

What is Trump?

Special to the Daily Nugget. Chicago, April 28.—The Chicago Methodist clergy is considering to amend the church laws permitting as proscribed amusements cards, dancing and theatres.

Choked His Mother

Special to the Daily Nugget. Ottawa, April 28.—Alex McDonald has been committed for trial on the charge of having choked his mother to death.

WATER IS REQUIRED

An Application for 1000 Inches of Eureka

Ensel Hydraulic Concession Gives Notice of Applying for Larger Grant.

Notice was posted in the gold commissioner's office last Saturday signed by A. B. Palmer expressing his intention of applying in 20 days from date to the mining recorder for the privilege of taking 1000 inches of the unentered and unappropriated water of Eureka creek for the use of the Ensel hydraulic concession on Eureka which extends in width one-half mile on each side of the creek from No. 10 below the Forks to No. 10 above discovery on the right fork, taking in the creek claims and also the hillsides on both the right and left limits. Four sources, points of divergence, are named in the notice. The first begins at a point near the upper end of the creek claim No. 13 above discovery on the right fork and by means of a flume or ditches or both it is proposed to carry the water so diverted over all the claims from 13 above to 12 below, at the junction of the two forks, and from thence to 10 below the forks. The second point of divergence is on No. 16 on the left fork, the water being carried down to a connection with the main flume or ditch at the forks. Two other feeders are to be appropriated. One is from No. 2 claim on No. 3 pup of the left fork joining with the flume or ditch on the left fork; the other is from No. 4 claim on Discovery pup, right fork, passing down the pup and connecting with the main water way. The amount of water applied for is equivalent to 20 or 25 sluice heads and should a flume be built of that capacity it will be the largest ever constructed in the Klondike.

Queen Improving

Special to the Daily Nugget. The Hague, April 28.—The condition of Queen Wilhelmina is more favorable today than for some time.

Pay Director Dead

Special to the Daily Nugget. New York, April 28.—Captain Harry Taylor, pay director of the United States navy, is dead.

Fresh eggs just arrived at Barrett & Hull's.

WANTED—\$10,000 Worth of Raw Furs THE LADUE CO.

Bubonic Plague in Dawson.

A man in a cabin near the foot of the hill was taken violently ill today. For a time there was great excitement, as someone pronounced it bubonic plague, but upon investigation it was found his sickness was caused by eating some of the cheap canned goods so extensively advertised. The physician who attended him advised him to hereafter trade with Dunham, as he makes a specialty of fine family groceries. The Family Grocery, corner Second Ave. and Albert street.

THE CANADIAN BANK OF COMMERCE.

Capital paid up (Eight Million Dollars), \$8,000,000. REST. . . . . \$2,000,000.

The Bank is prepared to purchase gold dust at actual assay value, less the usual charges for express and insurance, up to and including 30th April, 1902; after which date all dust will be subject to the proposed export tax.

D. A. CAMERON, Manager. Dawson Branch.