

DAWSON HONORS AMERICAN HEROES.

All Nationalities Join in Celebrating the Great Naval Victories.

Judge McGuire As Orator of the Evening Congratulates America - Other Speakers of Eloquence and Wit.

At 7 o'clock the flag flew on Tuesday evening. A thousand joyous Americans in parade to celebrate the recent glorious victories over the Spanish and ten thousand more Americans and friendly Canadians along the streets to cheer them to the echo. Bunting and flags in profusion; the Stars and Stripes and Union Jack entwined in a protecting arch over the poor little flag of Cuba. Good speeches, good songs, intensest enthusiasm, 6,000 voices singing in unison the national hymns of America and England, and you have a condensed report of the greatest turnout Dawson has ever had.

About 7 o'clock in the evening Col. Davis, the presiding officer of the occasion, and Marshal Pelletier, together with his staff of assistants, decorated with sashes of bunting, led the procession from the Mining Exchange building to the barracks, to the strains of "Marching Through Georgia," by Prof. Hinson's band. At the head of the column on one side floated the ever-glorious Stars and Stripes, which seemed to its devotees to glow with added lustre; while abreast of it, and on the other side of the column was carried a magnificent Union Jack. Between the two flags nestled the single star and blue and white stripes of Cuba. Arriving at the barracks the column divided its entire length and through the aisle thus formed marched the venerable form of Judge McGuire, the orator of the occasion, accompanied by the officers of the day. Bare-headed they passed between the noble flags and then the line of march was again taken up along Front street to the speakers platform, in front of the A. C. Co.'s store. A vast crowd had massed at this point to welcome the jubilee procession. Along the street cheer after cheer had been raised as the column passed; but it was a very eagle scream of triumph which greeted it on its arrival at the platform.

The officers and speakers took their places on the stand with the two great national flags draped over that of Cuba. On either side of the platform was a large picture: On the one side Rear-Admiral Dewey and on the other Commander Schley. Then "God Save the Queen" by the band and prayer by Rev. Dickey, thanking Him who ruleth over the destinies of nations that the arms of America had been led forth to glorious victory; that the two branches of the Anglo-Saxon race, so long separated by misunderstandings, and which had so nobly worked out their own destinies, had now been drawn together - one in heart and thought and one in purpose.

Col. Davis introduced Judge McGuire, the orator of the day, with remarks on the purpose of the gathering and a tribute to the two flags overhead - the flags of the two greatest nations in the world.

Judge McGuire was vociferously cheered as he came forward to speak. He said he should feel very bad indeed unless he were allowed also to be an American, for Canadians were proud of their western hemisphere and looked upon American triumphs almost as their own. He was not going to speak as one of the officials of the government, for England was at peace with Spain; but as a citizen of America, whose heart beats in sympathy with yours, and who appreciates the victory attending your arms." [Loud cheering.]

The judge then went on to remark the strange shortness of the contest and pointed out that the vast improvements in gunnery and other departments of warfare were really humanitarian in their results as they shortened the bloody contest so materially.

"As a private British subject I am proud to be with you tonight to rejoice with you over your mighty success. [Applause.] I am proud to join with you in gazing upon these pictures and in paying tribute to the generalship and courage of your commanders. [Much applause.] I tell you we Canadians are exceedingly proud of our cousins across the boundary line." [Loud and continued applause.]

The judge created no little diversion by his remarks on the Anglo-Saxon race: "I think that definition of our people altogether too narrow. We are not exclusively an Anglo-Saxon people. I think we will be nearer the truth if we say the Anglo-Hibernian-Saxon race." [Much laughter and applause.] He paid a tribute to the Irish race which had contributed so much to the glory of the Anglo-Saxon arms. The speaker then eulogized the enthusiastic patriotism which was agitating his hearers and yet he hoped that in the intoxication of boundless success justice would be tempered with mercy to the supporters of a lost cause - a sentiment much applauded. "While I firmly believe you will act merciful, as becomes a great nation, I cannot help voicing an immense satisfaction which we all feel, that punishment so swiftly followed right upon the heels of the cowardly and treacherous destruction of the Maine." [Immense enthusiasm.]

The judge apologized for not having prepared a speech, he having been much too busy to give it a thought. Some one yelled "You're all right," a sentiment immediately taken up and noisily endorsed by the immense gathering. Encouraged to proceed, he went on to say that the United States had a great mission to perform in America and he was glad the erroneous idea that the interests of great nations were necessarily antagonistic had been disproved and discarded. He pointed out that the de-

feated nation had once been a bright and shining light in the world and continued: "You must never lose sight of that justice and mercy which have placed you upon your present pedestal. [Applause.] A nation may have climbed to glorious heights, yet forgetting uprightiness she must sink to that now despised position of a defeated nation without prestige or power, a bye-word for the rest of humanity." [Much applause.]

After a few more remarks on the magnanimity which would best so great a nation as the United States, the worthy judge took his seat amid such enthusiastic applause as must have warmed his heart as it made his countenance glow with unconcealed pleasure. Before the chairman could propose three cheers for the speaker the audience started off into an uproar of applause in which it was hard to say which was the cheer and which was the "tiger."

Mrs. Alice O'Neal, in a recitation, begged that in our adulation of commanders and admirals we do not forget the "Common Soldier" who rendered such victories possible, a sentiment much applauded.

Col. Davis then introduced "an American we all want to know - Gen. McCook, our new consul for Dawson." The welcome given that gentleman, who had been in town but a few hours, must have been very gratifying. His voice was hoarse with a cold, so he could not say much but "how do you do?" Three cheers for McCook were followed by three more for McGuire.

More cheers for Queen Victoria, McKinley Dewey, Schley, Hobson, free Cuba, the navy and the army, and the audience was ready for more speeches.

Mr. Corsa, who was billed for reminiscences of Cuba, said he had been disarmed by the good Judge McGuire. His bitter recollections of indignities offered Americans by Cuban Spanish had prepared him to advocate strong measures now they had been brought to their knees. However he had been taught a lesson in charity by the good judge, and would speak along other lines. He told of the early history of the island when the invaders exterminated the natives. Providence was but bringing about a just punishment in recent events.

Cuba was really a child of Spain, yet the unnatural mother had been forced to feed upon the very vitals of that child. As an illustration he gave the fact that the last year he was there the budget (money to be raised by taxation) equaled the total production of the island. "What are we going to do with her?" he asked. A voice answered "Set her free"; a sentiment taken up at once and endorsed by the entire gathering with enthusiasm. Mr. Corsa then told of the marvelous natural wealth of Cuba and gave some of the characteristics of the Spanish race.

Col. Davis next introduced the Ostley Sisters. They sang a witty parody on "Yankee Doodle Dandy" entitled "What Did Yankee Dewey Do?" Every verse was enthusiastically applauded. Then they sang new words to the national air of England and America:

"British and Yankee's might uphold all that's right." appeared to be a sentiment endorsed by all. They were dismissed with a "three times three."

Mr. Carroll of St. Paul, delighted his auditors with a humorous speech. He thought maybe we had better call the successful Yankees the "Irish-Hibernian-Anglo-Saxon-Scandinavian-American race." Three cheers were given at the close.

Chairman Davis informed the audience that they had been given the freedom of the city by the commander of the post, which called out three cheers for the commander and three more for Major Walsh.

Col. Wort told of the first great reverse given the Spanish in the destruction of the Armada long ago by England. He concluded with the following quotation:

"My country - may she always be right; but right or wrong - my country!" Three cheers were given.

Judge McKeary, of Wisconsin, was glad that this was a war for human liberty. He made humorous reference to the late war of the rebellion. Some Americans crossed over to Canada until after the unpleasantness. When the trouble was over they went back; but they had nothing to say for themselves, (laughter.) "What are we going to say for ourselves when we get back after the war is all over?" [Much laughter.]

Now occurred something, the like of which has never happened before. Those having seats arose to their feet and all 6,000 bared their heads. Reverently, and in unison, from the up-gazing mass of humanity came the national anthem of America. Sung in a strange land the swelling anthem stirred the hearts of all Americans and Britons alike. But what is this they are singing next? The same voices, with the same earnestness - and "God Save the Queen" swells out upon the air.

"What a remarkable demonstration!" was the expression largely used by observers in surprise at the unanimity of the two branches of a great race. And, indeed, it was most remarkable - they stood side by side and cheered the same names and the same victories, sang the same national airs and bared their heads to the same flags and sentiments.

The Nugget hopes the present harmony will never be disturbed by aught of jar or jangle; but may grow and grow and cement in indissoluble bonds of friendship the Americans who rejoice in their own successes, and their friends who rejoice so sincerely with them and who feel the victories to be almost their own.

Removal. Marie Riedeselle will remove her Massage and Bath parlors to her new location on Second avenue, four doors north of Pioneer drug store, about August 1.

A SECRET SOCIETY BUILDING.

The Masonic-Odd Fellows Association Will Build a 40x40 Hall.

Some Good Work Done by Secret Societies and Still More in Sight - They Present a United Front for Their Betterment.

It has often been remarked by travelers over the trails that nine out of ten men you meet are wearing the badges of one or more benevolent and friendly societies. Dawson is so far removed from grand and supreme lodges that we haven't a subordinate lodge of any order, yet if ever there was a spot on earth where they were needed more than any other it is right here. Hundreds of men of excellent antecedents arrive here with their means exhausted or sick unto death, and it is not at all certain that they could obtain help from their homes in less than a year. While there has been no organization in town the various orders have done much individually for brothers in distress. There are two sick Masons at least, who have been sent out and two more being maintained in the hospital, and lists could be compiled showing that the obligations of the various orders are not forgotten under Arctic conditions and a midnight sun. However, there is now a movement afoot, the like of which we never heard before. Lacking the power to organize lodges the two leading societies in point of numbers, the Masons and Odd Fellows, have resolved themselves jointly into a Masonic and Odd Fellows association, and will work hand in hand upon the erection of a hall and the furnishing thereof.

Major Walsh, on behalf of the government, has kindly donated a plot of ground.

Three thousand dollars will be expended upon the building, which will be two stories high, the lower floor to be used as a social hall and the upper one for matters more closely pertaining to the orders interested. There are 700 Masons registered in Dawson and 300 Odd Fellows, and if the Knights of Pythias accept an invitation extended to them to join hands in the mutual enterprise, there will be 300 or 500 men who will use the building at some time or other in either its social or fraternal departments.

The building will be about 40x40 feet, according to plans now in the hands of the committee and accomplishment of the objects of the committee is now an assured fact. The Nugget wishes success to the enterprise as it does to everything intended to help, cheer and comfort the unfortunate or distressed portion of humanity.

GEN. MCCOOK ARRIVES. United States Consul for Dawson Was a Passenger on the Steamer Barr.

Gen. J. C. McCook, United States consul for Dawson arrived in the city on the steamer Barr. Gen. McCook is an affable and courteous gentleman, and readily acceded to the Nugget man's request for an interview.

"We left Seattle," said the General, "on June 9th and should have reached Dawson some two weeks earlier. We had an exceedingly pleasant trip and I must say that I am greatly impressed by the beauty and grandeur of the scenery en route. It is a great wonder to me that American tourists do not select the Yukon river for their travels rather than the Rhine or other European rivers. Certainly no scenery that I have ever witnessed can compare with that seen on my recent ocean and river trip.

"I had heard a great many stories concerning the mosquitoes produced in this country and was pleasantly surprised to find that, like other tales which have gone out concerning the country, the mosquito stories have been greatly exaggerated. In fact, I think that one good regiment of Jersey mosquitoes could easily drive out all that are grown in the Yukon valley.

"In regard to my official duties," continued the General, "I am sent to Dawson to represent and look after the interests of American citizens here. Anything that I can do to be of service to my fellow-countrymen will be cheerfully done. I shall also report to my government as to the general situation in the Yukon valley, particularly as it affects citizens of my own country."

"The General was quite fatigued by his long trip, but responded to an invitation to be present at the celebration in honor of the recent victory at Santiago.

Bear Killed. Friday evening travelers up the Bonanza noticed a bear on the hillside, opposite 4 below, and almost down among the tents and cabins. They notified a camper and he at once gave a general alarm. Very soon his bearship was surrounded by forty rifles and was mercilessly dispatched. By 9 o'clock the next morning the meat was being sold at \$1.00 per lb.

Going to Join the Indians. Mrs. Alice Rollins Crane is one of Dawson's valued new arrivals. The lady has established permanent winter quarters over the river at West Dawson. The lady's mission in the North West is not gold mines but information regarding the little known northern tribes of Indians. She occupies the position of a member of the Southern California Academy of Sciences and is commissioned in her new field by the Smithsonian Institution and the Bureau of American Ethnology, of Washington, D. C. Mrs. Crane has lived with Apaches and Sioux besides being acquainted with many other tribes, and is a delightful conversationalist on such matters. As a journalist her observation is trained and her memory stored with the brightest stories of the trip thus far.

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