

## PASSES ARE HARD TO GET.

### Applications Being Made to Police for Work.

#### Many Men Want to Leave Dawson for the Outside—Hope to Get Work on the Railroad.

The fact that the \$500 embargo at Tagish post was removed several weeks before the closing of navigation caused hundreds, probably thousands of persons, to come to Dawson, who otherwise would not have entered the country. The result is that later there are many people here who wish they were elsewhere. Owing to the extreme mildness of the weather, work on the creeks is greatly retarded and the result is that there is not work for a large number of laboring men, and Dawson is not a "flowery bed of ease" to those who are out of work and out of money.

Consequently there are many who are seriously contemplating the trip out over the ice, expecting when they reach Cariboo to find employment on the White Pass & Yukon railroad, which is being extended to Whitehorse. But in the trip out there is another obstacle to overcome. The Bible truthfully says "man cannot live by bread alone," and even if he could, many who desire to go out are not financially able to supply the bread, to say nothing of an occasional slice of bacon and a cup of chickory. There are numerous stations of N. W. M. P. along the route, but in order to enjoy their hospitality it is necessary that the pilgrim carry with him a pass from Police Magistrate Perry of this city. These tickets are not being promiscuously issued and will not be except in extreme cases, as the magistrate must be fully persuaded that the applicant is wholly without means of support and that he is unable to secure employment sufficient to provide that support. If a man is in good physical condition the inference which the official very naturally draws is that he, the laborer, can certainly provide himself with food and shelter until the working season fully opens, at which time labor will be in greater demand than at present. A number of laborers have already started out over the ice, but in most cases they were possessed of sufficient means to procure provisions along the road.

#### A Suspicious Fire.

At 1:30 o'clock Monday morning an unoccupied cabin near the summit of the hill was discovered to be on fire, and as it stood some distance from its nearest neighbor the flames were beyond control before assistance arrived. The building had been owned and up until a few weeks ago, occupied by Messrs. Webb and Murray, claim owners on several of the creeks. It had been exceptionally well furnished for a cabin and when the owners left for the creeks it was locked up without the contents being removed. One of the owners was seen at the cabin for a few minutes on last Thursday, but since that time and up to Monday morning no one had been seen there. The first arrivals at the fire managed to save a few household utensils and tools from an adjoining shed, but were unable to enter the cabin, the whole interior being a mass of flames. They were able to see, however, that there was none of the furniture inside at the time. The general supposition is that the cabin had first been looted of its contents and afterwards fired to conceal the theft. As there is no clue to the perpetrators of the crime it is not likely their identity will ever be known.

#### AT THE THEATRES.

##### MONTE CARLO.

Kelly & Winkley, the new proprietors of the Monte Carlo, are not only keeping up the previous good reputation of that popular amusement and pleasure emporium, but are adding to its attractions in many ways. As stage director Mr. Eddie O'Brien, the veteran actor and gentleman, has eliminated from the boards everything that hints at the rude and vulgar, and under the entire new management and directorship the Monte Carlo is destined to enjoy an era of unprecedented popularity. Monday night the Monte Carlo opened with an entirely new program for the present week, the first portion of which is a laughable comedy entitled "Out-Witted." The play is the production of

Dick Maurettus, whose appearance in the role of Rastus Overshoes, "cullud, sah," is worth double the price of admission charged. In addition to all the old stage favorites, Monday night was the occasion of the re-appearance on a Dawson stage of Fred Breen, the Irish comedian. The vociferous applause which greeted his appearance was sufficient evidence of his great popularity. The dozen or more specialists are all out this week with new and interesting features, and especially is this true of that versatile actress, Conchita.

Of the O'Briens the large crowds which nightly fill the Monte Carlo to its utmost capacity—the people of Dawson never tire. Always smooth, clean and up-to-date, the team of O'Brien, Jennings and O'Brien never fail to capture their hearers, and their new specialty this week, "The Blackberry Hop," is fully up to the O'Brien standard of excellence.

#### THE OPERA HOUSE.

Half an hour after the Opera house theater opened Monday night the "Standing Room Only" placard was put upon the door. The new managers at this popular playhouse, Sutton & Woodburn, have started out to win and their efforts are being crowned with success.

The Opera house began the week with an entire change of program, the opening portion being Paul Bordman's musical farce comedy, "A Turkish Bath." The play is in two acts and is a roaring, mirth producer from start to finish. Among the many favorites, none are more popular than Miss Mamie High tower, who is rapidly working her way to the top of Dawson's theatrical dome. Cecil Marion, the prima donna, and Nellie Forsythe, the descriptive vocalist, are both appearing this week to better advantage than ever, if such a thing be possible.

Rooney and Forester, in their own original acts, are truthfully entitled to be called "King and Queen of Comedy," and never did they appear to better advantage and in more mirth producing solos than this week. That other strong pair, Miss Blossom and Paul Bordman, always popular, are making a strong hit this week in their original act, "A Tip on the Races." Next week at the Opera house will be a fifteen-minute wrestling match each night by William Moss and Ed Stahl, the one winning the greatest number of falls during the week to win a purse of \$500. The three act comedy, "working a Lay in the Klondike," will be a prominent feature of next week's program.

Souvenir Xmas presents at Sale & Co.

You can obtain all kinds of pressed herbs at Reid & Co., druggists.

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Cribbs & Rogers will carefully fill your prescription at reasonable prices. Third ave., opp. The Pavilion.

## Grand Opening

LION'S

## Skating Rink

WEST DAWSON,

Wednesday Night, Dec. 6

## FULL MILITARY BAND

IN ATTENDANCE.

Everybody Welcome

#### THE A. B. ORGANIZED.

##### First Organization to Hold a Regular Meeting in Dawson.

Last Wednesday night Camp Dawson, No. 4, held its first regular meeting at McDonald hall.

There were many new members admitted to the camp and all enjoyed the many adventures and hairbreadth escapes from field and flood of the wandering cheechahkos.

The following officers were elected to preside over the destinies of the camp for a term of six months, the usual sentence:

Arctic chief, A. F. George; vice-arctic chief, E. J. Fitzpatrick; arctic recorder, E. J. White; keeper of nuggets, W. W. Cribbs; arctic guide, Emil Mohr; arctic trail blazer, Captain Bliss; camp cook, R. Ormsby; inner guard, T. W. McMullen; outer guard, Dr. Wilcoxon; camp alchemist, Captain Olsen.

After the close of the meeting the members partook of a banquet at the Holborn restaurant, where Brothers George and Mohr broke forth in song and conviviality and good fellowship was the watchword of the hour.

The camp will meet every Friday evening at 8 o'clock at McDonald's hall.

#### CREEK NOTES.

Nos. 2 and 3 below are beginning to show life again this year.

No. 4 below is booming as usual, machinery being used extensively.

Warren Lamb has one of his thawers at work on No. 4 above and is taking out considerable dirt.

Eldorado is not as lively as during last season. However a number are only waiting for the freeze up to begin active operation.

The Yukon Gold Fields Co., Ltd., claims on Cheechahko hill look like a lighthouse since the electric light plant has been installed.

W. C. Lowden and F. McDonald will be located on Monte Cristo this winter, where they have a large thawing plant about ready for operation.

Chas. Bowhay will do considerable work on his Cheechahko hill claim this winter, having a thawing machine and hoist in operation. He will shortly put on a double shift.

Bonanza creek generally displays considerable more activity than it did this time last year, a greater number of creek claims being operated, and the benches teeming with life.

The Forks is now lighted by electricity and presents a very pretty appearance from Eldorado and the hillsides. Business seems to be picking up considerably and soon the old-time activity will be evident everywhere.

Nos. 6 and 7 above, Bonanza, are working full blast this season. Mr. Tweed, on No. 7, however, complains of the warm weather and is longing for a cold snap as water is impeding the work.

The Elby roadhouse entertained a large number of guests Thursday evening last. Dancing and games being indulged in until a late hour, when a dainty lunch was enjoyed. Mrs. Birch and Miss McMullen have become famous for their hospitality in their neighborhood.

Messrs. Madden and Lewis, of 13b below left limit, have put in a thawing plant and hoist and will be among the foremost in the line of work in the spring. An inspection of their tunnels displays the best of judgment to be used by them, and no better tunneling is to be found on the creeks.

#### 'Twas Taylor's Money.

The 24-hour sprinting contest which terminated Saturday night at the Palace Grand was won by George Taylor, who covered 157 miles and 17 laps during the time. During the last nine hours of the race Taylor had but one opponent, Montague Martin, who made 153 miles and 5 laps. Taylor received the \$600 entrance money and 40 per cent of the door receipts, aggregating nearly \$1000. At the conclusion of the race, Taylor paid Martin \$100, the former having wagered that amount that he would out distance the latter ten miles in the 24 hours.

Remember the French masque ball at Brand's gymnasium Wednesday evening.

Upholstered goods in all varieties; our own make. Jenkins & Johnson, Second ave., near Third street.

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Nugget jewelry to order at Sale & Co.

STORAGE—Boyle's wharf, under the management of the Nugget Express.

#### LOCAL BREVITIES.

Jimmy Murray and Charley Powell will reopen the Bodega saloon on Wednesday evening. They have bought out the firm of Jourden & Appel, and will cater to the best trade.

A meeting of the Board of Trade will be held Wednesday night in its chambers in the A. C. Co.'s building. As business of importance will be up for attention, it is imperative that all members be present.

Gus Davidson and John M. White left Tuesday morning for the outside by dog team. The former is an importer of beef cattle and it is his intention to ship a large consignment to this city as soon as the river opens in the spring.

Dawson will probably have some new public buildings next year. Plans have been drawn by Public Architect Fuller for the construction of a post office, gold commissioner's office, a residence for the commissioner, and several other buildings. Work will probably begin in the early spring.

Chas. Preston, who, for the past few months has been engaged in the "pure milk, fresh from the parent stem" business in this city, sold his two cows last week and on Saturday left for Skagway over the ice. He will journey on to the Sound from which place he expects to ship a herd of Jersey cows to Dawson next summer.

Pete Steele is looking for a man who stole some goods from his cache near Ogilvie. He has not as yet reported the theft to the police, as he is doing a little detective work on his own account, and says he has traced the goods. The stuff stolen consists of two cases of canned butter, some cheese, and 50 pounds of coffee. The goods were consigned to D. D. Sawyer.

The rooster who flaps his wings in the morning on the top of the fence in the south country and crows lustily, believing the sun has just come up to hear him, is very like the corporal of the Y. F. F. who said it was a providence that the Yukon froze over in order to give the soldier boys a nice level place to drill and exercise his knowledge of tactics.

Turning over the dome into Sulphur is a ticklish point in the journey to Indian. The skillful "conster" pulls a small sled all the way up the hill on this side, because of the saving in time and exertion in going down the other. Tom Lane of lower Sulphur says he can go down that hill on the skeleton runners he packs for that purpose at the rate of the first eight miles in 30 minutes.

#### Going to Nome.

That is why the Nugget Express has an eight-horse power thawer, with pipe points, steam hose, tools and large assortment of extras for sale for cash, far below Dawson prices. The thawer was brought in on an order and the party who ordered it wants to go to Nome and will sell cheap.

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Room 3, Hotel McDonald

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