

### CAN REMAIN TILL SPRING.

The "Nugget" is Authorized to Assure the Public on an Important Matter.

#### Permanent Building on the Water-Front III. Advised—The River Expected to Damage Buildings—Raises Several Feet.

A decision of great importance to Dawson has been arrived at by Mr. Ogilvie in regard to the occupancy of the water-front. The insecurity of the tenure of the leases has been shown up in these columns, and the mistaken policy of allowing the cutting off of the city from access to the river is acknowledged by all. Seeing that many of the occupants of the strip were undecided about preparing winter quarters, and that those who had already done so were on the tender hooks of uncertainty as to whether they were to be disposed of on the eve of the long, cold winter ahead, the Nugget sought an interview with the Yukon Commissioner to obtain, if possible, a definite statement regarding that gentleman's intentions in the water-front matter. Mr. Ogilvie listened courteously while the status of the leases was gone over. The fact that winter buildings had been prepared in a number of instances was pointed out; also that the coming freeze-up would make the clearing of the water-front for the balance of this season of small importance—that a good many of the leases had been led to believe that they were to be in their ground until May 1, 1899. To a request for something definite as to Mr. Ogilvie's policy in the matter, that gentleman smiled and replied:

"We have thought over the matter, and desire to work no hardship on anyone. You can inform your readers that there will be no ordering to move until next spring, at which time the water-front must and will be cleared from end to end."

Regarding his statement, reported in the Nugget, that he "would advise no one to erect permanent buildings on that strip," the acting governor reiterated his expression. "I would not advise anyone to build permanently for in the spring all must come down. Until then," and Mr. Ogilvie smiled significantly, "I think the first run of ice will, most likely, provide openings to the river." Then followed an interesting description of the jamming together of mountains of ice and the mighty river being raised several feet in as many minutes. The high executive evidently believes that there is considerable danger of masses of ice taking out the underpinning from beneath some of the buildings and taking the works on down the river in the direction of Circle City. His years of experience on the Yukon make him an authority on such matters.

**Fake Advertising.**

The advertising fakir is in our midst. Wednesday night a sheet was strung up in the street in front of the Nugget, and from the window of an upper room pictures were thrown upon the screen. The intent on appears to be to intersperse the pictures with advertisements secured from our merchants and others. It has been found elsewhere that the people who congregate and stand for hours in front of a show are not the people an advertiser cares to reach for they are not the money spenders of a community. The subscribers of a legitimate newspaper of prestige and circulation are the backbone of a city, and a permanent subscription is better than a transient one, all of which points to the Nugget as the advertising medium par excellence for Dawson City and surrounding country. It would benefit the advertiser not a cent to print a thousand extra copies of the Nugget at 5 cents a copy and scatter them amongst the transients who are selling out preparatory to leaving the country. The large circulation of this paper is for the most part amongst the substantial men on the gulches and in the city, and a word to the wise is sufficient. Remember our guarantee.

**From Valdes to Dawson on Horseback.**

The first man who has ever been known to bring a horse from the Copper River country to Dawson is Mr. Harry Edwards of Salt Lake City. On June 16th Mr. Edwards, in company with his partner, Ed. Wolfkitt, left Port Valdes for this city by the all-Permit route. Each man rode a horse and in addition they brought two burros loaded with 150 lbs. of grub. From Valdes they struck inland and came out on Copper or Alna River, as the Indians term the stream, about 100 miles from the mouth at a point called Copper center. Mr. Edwards is authority for the statement that Copper River valley, for the most part, is an immense flat, in places 200 miles in width.

After striking Copper river they headed up river, fording dozens of tributaries, few of which are on any map thus far published. All those streams have their sources in mountain lakes. The first divide reached on the trip from Valdes is near Lake Mentana. On this side all streams that outlet in the Tanana and Yukon.

After crossing the divide the men came down into the Tanana valley, crossed that stream, passed over the Tanana range and struck Forty-mile on the south fork. Passing on to Walker's fork they took a due course to the Yukon, reaching the river in the vicinity of Forty-mile. During the entire trip from Port Valdes to Forty-mile they did not once leave American territory. Mr. Edwards rejoices in the distinction of having discovered what he is pleased to term the "all-American route."

He has a careful and accurate record of the entire trip, together with observations on the topography of the country, which will prove valuable to others desiring to make the same trip. Mr. Edwards states that he will undertake, during the summer season to drive stock

from Port Valdes to Dawson inside of thirty days and land them here in perfect condition for market. Throughout nearly the entire stretch of country, the grazing for animals cannot be excelled. Great droves of caribou were encountered which seem to inhabit that portion of Alaska in much the same manner as the buffalo roamed the plains of the western part of the United States.

The horses and burros proved great curiosities to the Indians. Few of them had ever seen or heard of such animals and all eyed them with open-mouthed amazement. The women and children feared to approach them, indicating by their movements a fear of being bitten. The men, however, examined them closely, being especially pleased with the burros' slim legs and feet. They could not, however, understand the meaning of the steel shoes that were on their feet.

An interesting point observed by Mr. Edwards is the fact that there are several distinct tribes of Indians between Copper River and the Yukon. They are known as "Copper River," "Mentana," "Sticks," "Tanana," and "Yukon" Indians. These races have little communication with each other, and for the most part are unable to understand each other's jargon.

Mr. Edwards' account of the country through which he travelled is, probably, the most accurate information that has yet been made public concerning it.

#### LOCAL INCIDENTS.

The steamer John C. Barr has gone up to Ft. Selkirk for a load of cattle.

Corporal Belcher, formerly in charge of the town police, is very low with fever.

The public library has moved from Front street to the new S. Y. T. building on the river at the foot of Third street.

Mr. Lyon, the Ladue Gold Mining Company's local manager, has been incapacitated for business for several days by sickness.

The first death and burial at Fairbridge City occurred last week. The deceased in life was known as W. H. Cooper, and hailed from California.

Two snow-loaded parkies came in this week, the first live hogs to come to town. They are expected to die suddenly any minute for the public good.

Official inquiry is being made into the probable cost of a summer trail to Stewart river. There will yet be reason for more rapid communication than by the river.

It's all off with the boys! It's all off! Don't lay any plans for Christmas festivities for Christmas comes on Sunday and we will all have to go to church.

Dr. M. Gene came in from Stewart river last week. Exposure and cold had resulted in confirmed diphtheria, he came down to consult the specialist, Dr. Good.

A sacred concert Sunday night is on the cards for the Oatley sisters concert hall. The talent of the city will participate and the financial results are to be devoted to the benefit of the hospital.

W. A. Cobleigh died Wednesday at St. Mary's hospital of typhoid fever. The Masons, Knights of Pythias and Elks have had the body embalmed, enclosed in a metallic coffin and will ship the remains to his former home, Canton, Illinois.

The faithful little steamer Ora has gone up the river on what is probably her last trip but one of the season. She brought down a large scow loaded with freight for the company. The Ora, Flora and Nora form a complete connecting link between Bennett and Dawson.

The Hotel Worden continues to add improvements to its already complete details. The hotel is now supplied with amplifiers and electric bells, has separate rooms with piano, and the general household necessities. Stanley and Worden are making their cosy hotel the office headquarters of the city.

Mrs. C. Baker left on the steamer Cashy for San Francisco, where she will spend the winter. Mrs. Baker is an old timer in the Yukon, having lived for two years at Circle City and during the past year at Dawson. She was the president of the first board of education at Circle.

Dawson's period of Indian summer, though somewhat brief, is just about its near pleasant weather as can be imagined. Blue sky and sunshine, with just enough coolness in the air to make it bracing—that is the sort of weather we have been enjoying for some little time. Under these circumstances it is difficult for the ordinary "Cheechako" to imagine the changes that two months more will bring about.

C. H. Mitchell & Co., are preparing to roof in their snug little factory on Lane street. They have two small marine engines and boilers which will furnish ample power for driving their wood working machinery of all kinds which they hope soon to have running. The gentlemen comprising the firm are experienced in such work, and they will make a specialty of fine horse finishing and fancy wood work of all kinds.

Dawson's merchants and property owners are displaying commendable enterprise in constructing so many snugly and substantial buildings. Our citizens are enterprising and ambitious to see the commercial property of the town increase. There are already enough resources in sight to justify the assertion that Dawson will continue to grow and thrive for years to come. All that is required to insure this are fair laws and an honest and competent administration of them.

All mail arriving in Dawson prior to August 1 has been sacked up ready for shipment to the dead letter office. The time arrived for the shipment and the lists were taken down. Mr. A. protest was raised by one Abrahamson, it was soon found that many objected to the taking away of that mail until their friends spending the summer on the creeks were given an opportunity to get to Dawson. The mail has been ordered retained and will be kept for the owner for an indefinite period.

The political bee is beginning to buzz. Even the severities of an Arctic climate will not prevent that irrepresible insect from pursuing his chosen vocation. And in this instance, he has something worthy of making a fuss over. For Dawson is, without exception, the most talked-about city on earth, and it is a privilege incorporated, her municipal officers are being leaped high into the lap of opportunity. At any rate, everyone is glad to see a little politics injected into Dawson life. The people here are not accustomed to imported, ready-made officials. They prefer a hand in choosing the men who hold responsible places here, and it may be expected when the opportunity is finally granted.

#### The House Concert.

On Wednesday evening next Miss Merritt Houck, the lambs singer, will be heard in the house. She will be assisted during the evening by popular singers and vocalists. It will be the event of the season and should not be missed.

### The Joseph Ladue Gold Mining and Development Company OF YUKON

BEG to announce to the citizens of Dawson and vicinity that they have opened a GENERAL SUPPLY STORE and are prepared to outfit miners with the usual supplies of all kinds at reasonable prices. None but the best quality of goods have been purchased by us and all have been specially prepared and adapted for Klondike use. Come and examine our flour, hams, bacon, sugar, eggs, butter, tea, coffee, spices, dried fruits, tobacco, candies, clothing, underwear, boots, shoes, stationery, etc. The company's mill also furnishes all kinds of matched, dressed and plain lumber at current prices.

JOSEPH LADUE, PRESIDENT.

Where is He? O. F. Chapman of Detroit, Michigan, writes the Nugget for information concerning the whereabouts of Joseph H. Chapman, a pioneer Yukon prospector who came here some 14 years ago and was heard from once a year as late as 1893. Any information can be sent to O. F. Chapman, 55 Bateman street, Detroit, Mich.

R. A. CROTHERS, Manager 100 Rooms

### Olympic Hotel

Largest and Best Furnished Hotel in Alaska—European and American Plan

DYEA ALASKA

### St. Mary's Hospital

IN CHARGE OF THE SISTERS OF ST. ANNE.

Tickets, good for one year and covering all expense in case of sickness, etc.

Patients Without Tickets, \$5.00 per day for Nursing, Board and Washing. Doctors' Fees, \$5.00 per visit.

FATHER NUDGE, SUPT.

Rear of Townsite Company's Office

Bennett Lake & Klondike Nav. Co.

### Sts. Ora, Flora & Nora SAILING WEEKLY

FOR

Head of Lake Bennett

OFFICE: 2 DOORS BELOW NUGGET OFFICE

H. TEMPLE-FALLS, Agent.

### FIRST BANK OF SKAGWAY

SKAGWAY, ALA.

Gold Dust Bought and Received for Collection on Most Favorable Terms

C. S. MOODY, PRESIDENT AND MANAGER

### Magnificent Stock of Liquors JUST ARRIVED.

SOLD BY BOTTLE OR CASE.

GIN, CHAMPAGNES, BRANDIES, BOURBON AND SCOTCH WHISKIES.

WHOLESALE STORE, Corner Fourth St. East of N. A. T. & C. Co.

### Manufacturing Jewelers, Louis Pond & Co.

FINE DIAMOND AND WATCH-WORK

Branch Factory and Salesroom at the Northern

GUSS MILLER DENNY BROS.

### Occidental Hotel

SKAGWAY AND WHITE PASS

European Plan

First Class Accommodations

Skaguay, Ala. White Pass, B. C.

### HOTEL WORDEN

First Ave. North, Bet. 1st and 2d Sts.

European Plan. Lighted by Electricity.

Private Offices for Mining Men. Finest Wines, Liquors and Cigars.

Charles Worden and Sam Stanley, Proprietors.

### HART & CATES

DEALERS IN

FURNITURE AND HOUSE FURNISHING GOODS

Of Every Description.

Second Avenue opp. Bank of North America

### STANDARD OIL CO.

Have now in Stock a Full Supply of

COAL OIL, LUBRICATING OILS

AND ELECTRIC LIGHT AND GRANITE CANDLES

Office, Cor. First Ave. and 8th Sts.

### FRENCH ROYAL RESTAURANT

LEADING CAFE OF DAWSON

GAME OF ALL KINDS

EVERY DELICACY OF THE SEASON

French Dinners Noon until 10 p. m.

W. B. CLARK & WILSON, Members of the Canadian Bar, Attorneys, Solicitors, Notaries, Public Commissioners, Offices, Judge Block, First Street, Dawson.

DR. RICHARDSON, University of Toronto, Dr. NORQUAY, University of Manitoba, Physicians and Surgeons. Office, open day and night.

DR. J. O. LACHAPPELLE, Montreal University, Physician and Surgeon.

DR. E. R. MELCHANI, Montreal, Crown and Bridge work a Specialty. Offices, Room 10, Globe Hotel, cor. First Av. and Second St.

ISIDORE MOYON, BOURKE, Doctor of Medicine, Master of Surgery, Master of Art, University of Dublin, Surgeon, not Fetched English army. Bets, physician to St. Raphael's Hospital and Belgrave Infirmary, London; Specialist—Eye, Ear and Throat.

#### LAWYERS.

C. M. WOODWORTH, M. A., LL. B., Advocate, Collector, Commissioner, Notary, etc. Five years' practice in Northwest Territory. Office, opposite the New England.

C. W. TABOR, Barrister and Solicitor, Advocate, Notary Public, Conveyancer. Opposite Monte Carlo saloon.

BURRITT & MCKAY, Advocates, Collectors, Notaries, Commissioners, etc. Commissioners for Ontario, Quebec and British Columbia.

W. B. CLARK & WILSON, Members of the Canadian Bar, Attorneys, Solicitors, Notaries, Public Commissioners, Offices, Judge Block, First Street, Dawson.

# THE

VOL. I. No. 27

## WILL SOON BE H

### Miners' Institute Within T

The Standing Committee of the Miners' Institute is of the opinion that the building occupancy within

The standing committee's association met Monday night at

There were present Courtney, Galpin, ten, Biddle and Me

The building com Messrs. Ballentine

tractors have their der way for the

institute. The te require the compl

within 30 days of should more than

a cash forfeiture of the 30 is one of the

It was the opin that the building

occupancy within farthest.

The matter of em secretary was bro

duced at length. that many men we

association and fail the reason that n

business of huntin also shown that f

afford to devote the ests of the associ

compensation. At liberation it was de

retary for a period salary of \$50 per w

The names of Mes were proposed for

first named gentle the time named.

The matter of d during the appro

duced. The buildi structured to secure

the best terms pe The title to the lo

erment for the sit be properly vested

an early date. The committee tha

case. The instrum ittee at the last g

association were d the fact that the as

record as being he corporation it was

steps should be at direction. A sub

of Messrs. Col. Me dle and President

ainted. The com to assist the incorp

any way deemed b After an inform

ing the condition o office and gold com

committee adjourn next Monday at

place. The prop Worden have place

der many obligatio mittee rooms wit

The members of th appreciative of th

them by the gentle

A flyst The details of the reg

ing. The upper rooms are occupied largely by

neighboring theatres, which all was still, a in the apartments occupi

man and their three children. Mr. Newman from the Monte Carlo forest and the fami

chamber excepting the was being kept awak

trance. In the son it is his father had r

all surprised when th was keeping him a n

le had the store-hou from his locker, 411

class 1st 111: "Here, you food? Willie d