

# THE RECENT APPOINTEES

## Speak of the Duties of Their Respective Offices.

### Assistant Gold Commissioner J. R. Bell and Sheriff R. J. Elbeck Define Their Official Powers.

From Saturday's Daily.  
As was reported in the last issue of the Daily Nugget, Assistant Gold Commissioner J. R. Bell and Mr. R. J. Elbeck arrived from the outside yesterday noon. The journey from Bennett was made in 30 days. Neither of the gentlemen evidenced any ill effects from traveling.

The home of Mr. Bell is in Quebec. He assumed the execution of his official duties this morning. The recent appointee will have charge of all of the business appertaining to the office of gold commissioner, excepting the trial and adjudication of such disputes as are now heard by Mr. Senkler. When interviewed this morning by a representative of the Daily Nugget, Mr. Bell said:

"I shall enter upon the performance of my work today. It will be some time before I become thoroughly acquainted with the office routine; but within a week I expect to be fully informed respecting such details."

"Is your position that of an assistant to the gold commissioner?" inquired the reporter.

"It may be termed so," responded Mr. Bell; "but, nevertheless, our duties are entirely separate. Mr. Senkler will continue to try and adjudge those disputes of which the office has jurisdiction; his work will be confined to such business. I shall relieve him of everything else."

"From whom will you receive instructions?" asked the Nugget representative.

"From the government officials at Ottawa," answered Mr. Bell. Continuing he said: "All of the business now being transacted in the office of gold commissioner, excepting that relating to disputes, will be under my supervision; and those clerks which are required for the performance of this business will be under my control and management."

"Did you bring in any new regulations?" was the next question.

"No," was the laconic reply of the new commissioner.

"Do you anticipate any change or modification of the present laws regarding mining?"

"I know nothing more respecting the intentions of the Ottawa officials than does any well informed citizen of Dawson," was the reply.

Mr. R. J. Elbeck, until his appointment, was a resident of Kingston, Ontario. He is the first duly appointed sheriff of the Yukon territory, and the only official of that title in the Dominion of Canada, who holds his position by virtue of an appointment from the federal government. The area of his territory is greater than that of any similar officer in the British empire.

When questioned by a representative of the Daily Nugget respecting his duties and power, Sheriff Elbeck said: "As yet I am not fully informed as to the extent of my duties and power. However, I shall take charge of civil processes and writs issuing from the respective courts. In criminal affairs I shall be compelled to associate at the execution of felons sentenced to death, and all warrants of arrest will be served by me, or my deputies. The N. W. M. P. will continue to execute criminal processes and writs, but hereafter they will act in such matters as deputies of the sheriff."

Both of the recently appointed officials are favorably impressed with Dawson, and are well known to a large number of the residents here.

**They Captured a Ghost.**  
For the past two months or ten weeks prospectors, hunters and travelers have

with bated breath and stealthy steps passed a log cabin which stands near the mouth of O'Brien creek which empties into Fortymile river 50 miles back from the Yukon. The cause of all this was the cabin was haunted. Not one but a dozen or more men who, not knowing the reputation borne by the structure, had passed a night beneath its roof, but one night sufficed. The man who stayed there one night usually looked ten years older next day nor could he be hired by all the golden wealth of the Yukon vale to repeat the experience. Raven locks have been silvered by a sojourn of a few hours in that cabin. The sojourner was invariably awakened by gentle but distinct rappings on the floor of his apartment and by other spiritualistic manifestations. The startled sleeper after listening for some minutes to these noises was ripe for seeing things, and in several instances a long, white apparition has risen up and mildly gesticulated and the sojourner, bathed in cold perspiration, has invariably concluded that his time for leaving things earthly has arrived. Less than a month ago a Swede, a stranger in that country, attempted to pass a night there. As usual the ghost appeared, but before the rapping had continued two minutes the frightened Norseman rushed from the cabin and an hour later reached a cabin breathless and hatless, where, after recovering sufficiently to speak said, "Ae tank Ae bane on da aige of hale."

By Mr. King, formerly of the Rochester Bar, who returned recently from the O'Brien creek country it is learned that the ghost had been captured. Several bold men—men wholly leycoid of the fear of death—armed themselves with guns, pistols, knives and other deadly weapons and repaired to the cabin to pass the night. Ere long silence reigned supreme, when the usual rapping began. By some prearranged signal a volley of shot and balls were fired in the direction from whence the sounds had preceded. A light was quickly struck and there, in shreds and pieces, was the cause of many premature gray heads. It was only a marten that had probably gotten into the habit of going to the cabin at night in quest of scraps and crumbs dropped by travelers who had stopped in the cabin to partake of their lunch.

### She Had to Walkey-Palkey.

A carrier on his way to Hinckley overtook a poor woman carrying a baby. She was very tired and asked him if he would give her a lift.

"Yes, missus," said he, "if you won't talk rubbish to the baby."

The woman promised not to do so, and got in. They had not proceeded far when the baby began to cry.

"Hush, my little wucky-wucky," said the mother, "you're going to Hinckley-Pinckley to see our uncles-puncckley."

"Now, you can get out and walkey palkey," said the carrier. — Weekly Telegraph.

### Suffered Paralysis.

Edward Murphy, an employee of the Madden restaurant, suffered a stroke of paralysis last evening which has affected the entire left side of his body. Murphy had no warning of the attack. In attempting to arise from a bench on which he had been sitting for several minutes, he realized that he was incapable of walking. Several bystanders came to the assistance of the helpless man, and he was removed to the Popular lodging house. The services of three doctors were secured immediately. Murphy is now under medical treatment, and his chances for recovery are fair.

### Many New Members.

Seven applicants were elected to membership of Dawson Camp, No. 4, Arctic Brotherhood, last night and the degree conferred upon Chechakos Geo. M. Allen, N. B. Forest, J. S. Cowan and Geo. Cartwell. After adjournment all the members assembled around the foot of the throne of her iciness, the Arctic Queen, when a flashlight

picture was taken by the new made brother, Photographer Cantwell. The picture represents each member sitting on a block of ice sucking on an icicle.

### Will Open Sunday.

The Martony Hotel and Cafe is now completed and will be ready for business Sunday. The interior has been remodeled and newly fitted up, making a very neat and attractive appearance. Regular diners will be served as well as short orders. This is the building which was moved down First ave. to the Hoffman house site by B. F. St. Clair, the contractor and builder.

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