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## SMALLPOX SITUATION.

There is nothing to be gained in shutting our eyes to the fact that the smallpox question as it confronts Dawson today is a serious matter. It does not, however, present difficulties which cannot be overcome by prompt action on the part of the authorities and willing compliance by the people with the regulations laid down. The fact that cold weather is almost upon us tends to increase the difficulties of the situation, as it is a well recognized fact that smallpox flourishes in the winter time.

The point has been made that the authorities should have begun earlier in taking care of the matter. The Nugget quite agrees with this view of the question, but we are unable to see that any amount of criticism of past inactivity will serve to lessen the seriousness of present conditions. What we want now is energetic action by the health officials and all the assistance which it is possible for the people to give them.

The quarantine established should be enforced with absolute impartiality and as rigidly as possible. It will cause much inconvenience to many, but, consideration for the public welfare suggests that such inconvenience be submitted to with patience. We suggest to the big companies and other concerns employing large numbers of men that general vaccination of employees would be in order, and might serve to prevent any considerable spread of the disease in Dawson.

There is no occasion for anything in the nature of a panic, but we believe it is well for people to know exactly what the situation is in order that everyone may understand why extraordinary measures may be necessary in dealing with it.

## THE GARBAGE QUESTION.

It is none too early for the authorities to make the necessary regulations to govern the dumping of garbage on the ice during the coming winter. Everyone who was in Dawson last winter will agree with the Nugget that the unsightly piles of filth and garbage which disfigured the ice along the waterfront were absolutely a disgrace to the city.

They were not only repulsive in appearance but were decidedly dangerous to the public health, particularly when it is remembered that much of the town's refuse was dumped in altogether too close proximity to the water holes from which a large part of Dawson's inhabitants secured their water for household purposes.

We hope there will be no repetition of last year's experience. A regulation laid down by the council in time will prevent the difficulty. After the river freezes over, the present ordinance should be extended to compel the dumping of garbage on the ice at some point below the scow where it is dumped at the present time. This would serve in some measure to preserve the appearance of the water front and at the same time prevent impurities from getting into the water holes which undoubtedly will be a large source of supply for water during the coming winter. If the men who make a busi-

ness of disposing of garbage are compelled to observe some such regulation as suggested above, there will be no difficulty.

It is, however, none too early to pass the necessary ordinance or to order the enforcement of any now in existence which may cover the emergency.

The Nugget suggests to all candidates now on the creeks that they betake themselves homewards at the very earliest possible moment. It certainly would be apt to prove disastrous to the hopes of a candidate should he be caught in quarantine and forced to remain in idleness while his opponents were out vote-catching. Quarantine regulations in such an emergency would be very much like cruelty to animals.

Now is the time for prophets to come forward and explain the great and all-absorbing question, when the river will close. There will be any number of men in Dawson the day after the river ceases to run who knew down to a minute when the ice would stop running. The Nugget would like to have some of these gentlemen on record, however, before the final moment arrives.

## Salvation Army News.

The Salvation Army authorities have chosen as the dates for the celebration of their annual harvest Thanksgiving festival, commencing Monday, October 1st. We are informed that the time-honored custom of meeting together to publicly offer praise to God for the bountiful blessings of the year is to be again revived in a practical way. The Salvationists will receive as a token of gratitude to God gifts in kind as well as in cash. Anything in the possession of the merchant, the grocer, or the druggist, would, if offered, be "thankfully received" and be turned to good account in the interests and support of the many beneficent and deserving agencies of this unique organization, the members of which work so vigorously and continually for the amelioration of sin, shame and sorrow, and for the moral and spiritual uplifting of the forlorn, the fallen and the outcast.

HALLELUJAH.

## People Eat Too Much.

A Philadelphia physician of note, Dr. Edward H. Dewey, claims to cure all sorts of diseases by starving his patients. The brain, says this practitioner, never loses weight in either sickness or starvation. Usually the mind remains clear when the body has wasted away. The head is the powerhouse of the body. The stomach is run by brain power. When the stomach does too much work it makes too great a demand upon the brain.

"For more than 20 years," writes this doctor, "I have permitted my sick to do without food so long as there was no desire for it. Not a mouthful was enforced in any case, not one mouthful denied on the first hint of hunger."

"In this I have had all the medical textbooks and the entire medical profession as authority unquestioned against me. That food is needed to sustain the strength of the sick has never been a matter of question with the medical profession."

"Many of my sick have gone for more than a month without food. One very sick, in bed for more than a month with acute rheumatism, was unable to walk about the room on the 46th day before the first food was taken. Another patient, a woman of 57, went until the 43d day until omission of her ordinary duties. A diseased stomach was cured as the result and now, after five years, there has been no return of the trouble."

Physicians are pretty generally agreed that Americans eat too much—especially too much meat. The no-breakfast habit may not be so very silly after all.

## Game Near Town.

Armed with a shotgun and an enthusiastic spirit a local nimrod journeyed to the top of the mountain and two miles beyond, east of Dawson yesterday and when he returned in the evening he had all the game, rabbits and squirrels, that he could comfortably carry. He came on to many fresh tracks of both caribou and bear and also saw many indications of grouse and pheasants. The rabbits and squirrels killed were fat and in splendid order for table use.

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## THINGS ENGLISH.

One hundred centenarians die in England yearly.

An average of 500 vessels daily leave the Thames for all parts of the world.

Although Lord Rosebery never attends football games, he is a patron of the Scottish Football Association.

A prince of Wales is of age from his birth, and a chair is placed for him on the right of the throne in the house of lords.

The Princess of Wales has a remarkable collection of hats and bonnets, consisting of all those she had worn during the 30 years she has led London fashion. Each hat or bonnet, carefully put away, bears the date of the season of its use.

Attention has lately been called in England to the will of the late Charles Pelham Villiers, who, it seems, left a fortune of \$1,782,325, and yet continued to draw a civil pension of \$700 a year even after he came into his magnificent property.

Seaside resorts do not seem to furnish many supporters to race meetings. This is noticed especially at places like Gatwick and Plumpton and Lingfield all of which can be reached easily from the queen of watering places, but chiefly draw their "gates" from the metropolis.

A picturesque and romantic ceremony took place at Culloden on the 150th anniversary of the battle, which struck the death blow to the cause of the ill-fated Stuarts. Amidst considerable assemblage several wreaths were placed beside the memorial cairn, and Mr. Theodore Napier, in a Highland costume of striking pattern, representing the Scottish Anniversary and Historical Society, delivered an oration, after depositing a wreath made of bay and ivy leaves and heather in the form of a tairge.

## High Life at Nome.

If one may judge by the presence of swallow-tailed coats, patent leather pumps and the other accessories to ultra-fashionable life, seen at the reception and ball given in honor of Judge and Mrs. Noyes at the Golden Gate hotel Thursday night, Nome will soon need a Ward McAllister. Several aspirants for this proud social position have been named lately, any one of whom would fill the bill. It is hoped, however, that the matter can be adjusted amicably, and recognized worth and ability to fill the position be the only test applied.

A good story is told of Judge Noyes, by the way. The judge is one of the most genial of men; he is a true westerner, and enjoys a good story, a good cigar, a good laugh, and on occasion a little apollinaris with just a dash in it. It happened this way: The Scotch had been passed to the different guests at the rooms of a well known gentleman who is noted for his hospitality, and then the soda water. Judge Noyes allows little to escape his eye, and he noticed that Capt. Jarvis had not been served with Scotch, although the soda was passed to him. "Hold on," said the judge; "I notice that Capt. Jarvis has not taken out his first papers." Then Capt. Jarvis declared his intentions.

Forty-three lawyers were admitted to practice in the district court by Judge Noyes on Wednesday. A man who witnessed this array of the talent sighed and then turned away wiping his eyes with a soiled red bandana. "What's the matter?" asked a friend. "Nothing," he said, "only a half-forgotten scriptural text has just come to me. I have not thought of it since I was young and guileless. It is this: Where the carcass is there shall the eagles be gathered together. He looked once more at the lawyers and walked out.—Nome News, Sept. 1.

## Corbett Disappears.

According to a dispatch from New York, James J. Corbett, ex-champion pugilist, has mysteriously left the Eastern metropolis. Mrs. Corbett, who was seen on the subject by a World reporter, is stated to have said that her husband left America to escape the consequences which he believed would fall on him if the true story in connection with his recent fight with McCoy was made known. Mrs. Corbett stated that an agreement had been entered into between Corbett and McCoy, by which the former agreed to allow McCoy to win, while he (Corbett) wagered money on the result. At the contest Corbett refused to carry out his agreement. Mrs. Corbett said he has left a letter saying that he had sailed for Europe.

## His Rise in Life.

Simmy Simpson, of Victoria, who arrived in town last week left Tuesday morning for home again. Simmy found many friends to greet him here, as he does almost every place he goes on the coast. He was one of the pioneer newspaper men and lacrosse players of British Columbia, but recently went into the more popular and lucrative business of mixing drinks.—Whitehorse Tribune.

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