

the trained nurses in charge thoroughly competent. Misses Smith, Moody and Graham, of the "Good Samaritan" staff, were trained in the Toronto General Hospital. Their work is highly praised by the Dawson doctors. Major operations of every description are performed here, and the results compare more than favourably with those obtained in the hospitals of the larger cities outside.

To give an idea of the classes of disease affecting the Yukoners, herewith is a list of the cases treated in the two Dawson Hospitals, for the year ending June 30th, 1903:—

DISEASE.	HOSPITAL.	
	No. at Good Samaritan.	No. at St. Marys'.
Alcoholism.....	10	16
Accidents and Injuries.....	31	57
Affection of the Eye, Ear, and Throat.....	5	12
Child Birth.....	6	0
Disease of the Digestive Organs.....	11	7
Disease of the Circulatory System.....	8	7
Disease of the Respiratory System.....	21	32
Genito-Urinary Diseases, including Disease of the Kidney.....	14	73
Frost Bite.....	11	7
Erysipels.....	0	3
Scurvy.....	0	2
Rheumatism, Sciatica and Lumbago.....	7	28
Enteric Fever.....	19	30
Malaise.....	*	29
Other Cases.....	**40	21

* Not specified.

** Including Malaise.

From five years' observation I am convinced that the climate of the Territory is a healthful one. The elevation of Dawson above the sea is 1,200 feet, and that of the Dome 4,250 (the head of the principle creeks), between which elevations the majority of the population live. From the beginning of May to the end of August the Territory is bathed in continuous sunlight, either direct or reflected, the fine effect of which on the metabolic processes, and coincidently on the mental, the reader can surmise. The extra store of health acquired in the summer is not altogether lost in the dark days of winter, because the lack of sunlight is to quite an extent counterbalanced by the presence of a dry, cold, condensed atmosphere, which is exceedingly invigorating. Daylight, even in the shortest day, lasts from about 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

As a rule at first only the vigorous entered into the camp, now people in all degrees of health (competent to perform the usual business of life) are making their home here. Children are particularly healthy, but the old and very debilitated do not stand the winters well.