

KOYUKUK PIONEER

Gordon C. Bettles Arrives in Dawson.

Founded the Town Which Bears His Name—Thinks Koyukuk Is O. K.

Among the arrivals on the steamer Sarah this morning was Mr. Gordon C. Bettles, pioneer of the Koyukuk country and founder of the city of Bettles. Mr. Bettles' first trip into the Koyukuk country was made in the summer of 1892 when he took a cargo of goods up that stream to the present location of Arctic City. There were at that time only a few men in the country and during the following year they all left on a stampede to the Birch creek country. Mr. Bettles' next venture in the Koyukuk was in 1898 when he again located a town which is now Bettles. He is the owner of several good claims on Gold creek and others of the producing streams of the district and is now in Dawson for the purpose of securing hose and other necessary material for working his ground.

Naturally Mr. Bettles is confident of the future of the Koyukuk. In conversation with a Nugget reporter he stated today that some 600 people would probably winter in the district. "There are all of that number there now," said he, "and had it not been for an unusually dry season there would be a great many more. The country is a large one and ultimately will be the seat of a large population. Thus far we have been severely handicapped but I look for better things in the future. Heretofore there has been a scarcity of provisions every year which has been the cause of a general exodus in the winter time.

"Now" however, there is plenty of grub and no shortage is feared. The N. C. Co. steamer Koyukuk is a wonder and has helped the country out in great shape. She is now running up to Bettles and takes 30 to 40 tons to a trip. Already about 600 tons have been delivered and she is still working. This summer one great drawback has been a scarcity of water. We have not had a single good rain since the opening of navigation.

The Ladue Quartz Mill

IS NOW IN OPERATION.

We have made a large number of tests and are ready to make others.

We have the best plant money will buy and guarantee all our work in this mill and also in the

Assay Office

However, there has been some work done and not less than \$50,000 sluiced up.

Koyukuk gold is coarse like that of Jack Wade and is of high assay value. On Gold creek 4 above discovery washed up \$10,000 in 9 days and Hatch on discovery cleaned half that amount in the same time. Had they been able to continue sluicing they would have made a much better showing.

"The Koyukuk is not, however, a camp for a man without means to go to. Every man should have enough money to carry him through a season and then he will be able to prospect for himself and stand a chance of getting something good. There are splendid opportunities for capital and that is what the country needs above all things. Within two or three years we will show you people a camp that will surprise you or I greatly miss my guess."

Mr. Bettles came overland from Coldfoot to Fort Hamlin on the Yukon. With him were Messrs. Joe Gandolfo, W. Bachmer, and B. Falls. They made the journey on horseback, covering the distance of 160 miles in less than three days.

Today's Ball Game

The day's sports were started at the barracks grounds about 12:30 by a baseball game between the Grand Forks and Dawson teams. The game was delayed over an hour beyond the time set for it to occur and a large number left the grounds before it commenced but as the game progressed the crowds gathered until every seat on the grand stand was occupied and standing room around the ropes was at a premium.

During the first part of the game the Forks team was handicapped by not having all of its members present so that several players from the town teams had to be pressed into service but the balance of the players arrived after the fourth inning, showing the full strength of their team. The two teams were pretty evenly matched and in the sixth inning the score stood 10 to 12 in favor of the Dawson team.

The most sensational play of the game up to that point was Coffee's big hit over the fence by the police court house, and endeavoring to make a home run out of it, but the ball was returned to the home plate just before he crossed it and he was declared out. The line-up of the teams was as follows: Dawson—Russell 1b, Whittemore ss, Boyer 3b, Brazier cf, Latimer lf, Gleason rf, Hickey 2b, McPhate c, Long p. Grand Forks—Weber cf, Pike p, Smith 1b, Woodruff ss, Coffey 3b, Wolcott lf, Heacock 2b, Forrest c, G. Coffee rf.

Methodist Church.—The anthem to the service tomorrow evening will be from Mendelssohn's Elijah. The solo, "Lord God of Abraham," will be sung by Corporal Cobb and the quartet (unaccompanied) "Cast Thy Burden," by Mrs. Mackay, Mrs. Fysh, Mr. O. S. Finns and Corporal Cobb. After the offertory the National Anthem.

Every one a star at Auditorium.

Read and Learn.

If you want to keep up with the times it will be necessary to read the daily papers. This holds good the world over. If you are inclined to be economical read the advertisements. By so doing you can save many a dollar.

Cribbs, the druggist, is too modest to blow his own horn, but just the same he has everything you want in the drug line, toilet articles, etc., at virtually outside prices (freight added). Call and be convinced.

CRIBBS, The Druggist King St., next to Post Office.



KING EDWARD VII AND QUEEN CONSORT.

OBSERVED IN DAWSON

Fitting Coronation Services and Sports

The City Generally is Dressed in Holiday Attire—Many People Are Out.

In honor of the coronation of King Edward VII. Dawson is today in holiday attire. Beautiful decorations are seen on every hand, business of all kinds is practically suspended and on every face regardless of nationality, is a look that betokens sanction to the prayer "God Save the King."

At 9:30 this morning there was a grand military dress parade of the N. W. M. P. and Dawson Rifles to the Church of England where, in the new building which was crowded to its full capacity, the specially prescribed coronation services were conducted.

At 11 o'clock a match game of baseball by two local teams. The game was to have been by a Dawson team arrayed against a Grand Forks team, but through some misunderstanding regarding time all the members of the latter team were not on hand at the hour set for the game.

At 12 o'clock the royal salute of 21 guns was fired. By 1:30 this afternoon men, women and children from all parts of the city were wending their way towards the barracks' athletic grounds, where at 2 o'clock began a grand carnival of sports in which both children and adults are participating.

At 6:30 this evening will occur a spirited lacrosse match between the "Citizens" and "Hardwares." At 7:30 a half mile handicap horse race will be run on First avenue for a handsome silver cup valued at \$150

and generously donated by Jeweler J. L. Sale.

At 8 o'clock tonight will take place on the river in front of the Fairview a Venetian fete and other aquatic sports, and at 10:30 the day's celebration will close with a grand display of fireworks.

At no place in King Edward's vast domain can a more perfect day be had for the coronation celebration and festivities than is being accorded his subjects and their cousins in Dawson.

WATER FRONT NOTES.

The steamer Sarah, Captain Looney master, arrived at 6 o'clock this morning on her second round trip from St. Michael this season. The voyage was without incident and was made in the usually quick time so characteristic of Captain Looney. The Sarah's manifest shows 13,570 packages to constitute her cargo, almost 400 tons. She leaves for St. Michael again tomorrow afternoon at 4 o'clock. Her passenger list this morning was as follows: George Usher, Jules Marion, A. B. Medley, W. L. Washburn, Mrs. Washburn, L. C. Hill, Leigh Jones, Lena Johnson, Sim Enevoldson, J. R. Crowell, John Neustrom, Lucy Carey, Martha Carey, Eva Carey, R. Sterling, W. Kelley, Bert Hutchinson, M. B. Lavrie, Daisy Smith, A. Higgins, Mrs. H. Dewey, T. A. McGowan, J. C. Bettles, M. Y. Lester, Louise Young, Jno. Davis, Nels Prior, T. M. McKinnon, Abraham Kitty, Lucile Taylor, May Taylor, C. J. Olson, E. A. Bulette, J. B. Campbell, C. B. Allen, Ben Lewis, C. A. Chance, S. A. Simmons, Lucien Brown, Jas. Oldfield, Solly Spring, Stewart Menzies, J. C. Eichenbach, W. H. Lavigne, Mrs. F. O. Malmquist, Mrs. G. Stoel and J. A. Hayman.

The Casca arrived at 11:30 this morning with the following passengers: Miss V. Williams, Miss L. Sides, E. R. Jesson, S. C. Hanson, R. Rasmussen, Mrs. Mero, Miss Mero, Master L. Mero, Mrs. Willson, Mrs. Boyd, Mrs. Hering, F. Madson, J. Kopler, A. Owens, Mrs. Owens, Wm. Mullen, A. B. Flewlerly, W. L. Nichol, Mrs. Nichol, Master L. Nichol, Rev. Father Emblem, W. H. Crowl, W. C. Young, Arthur Sor-

ment, Thos. Currie and Geo. Hayfield.

The Dawson which left yesterday afternoon at 4 o'clock had the following on her passenger list: E. O. Sylvester, Max Endleman, George Christiansen, F. E. Been, C. Branssean, John Grigaire, Archie Alverson, Mrs. C. Carter, Miss Butz and Sam Stone.

The Tyrrell has again cut in for a slice of the Whitehorse business and will leave this evening on the up river run. The Columbian is expected tomorrow.

Rapid Improvement.

Special to the Daily Nugget. London, Aug. 8.—The king's improvement is so marked that he will personally review the colonial troops and present coronation medals on the 11th.

Closes Today

Special to the Daily Nugget. London, Aug. 8.—The conference of colonial premiers will close today. The proceedings will later be submitted to the government in the blue book.

Job printing at Nugget office.

CORONATION PROGRAM

Was Materially Changed Yesterday

When Officials Having It in Charge Eliminated Several Tedious Features.

Special to the Daily Nugget. London, Aug. 8, 6 p.m.—Everything is ready for the coronation. The king issued a letter to the people expressing thanks for their sympathy and thanking God for restoring him to health. A number of important changes in the coronation program were announced today. The recognition in which the king is presented to the people by the Archbishop of Canterbury as "Undoubted King of the Realm" will be proclaimed but once instead of four times as given in the official program. The litany which was to have followed the recognition will not be said. The sermon will be omitted and the Te Deum which was placed in the order of service after the presentation of the Bible will not be given at that time, but will be sung during recess at the close of the coronation service when the king visits St. Edward's chapel.

Trained Nurse Coming

Special to the Daily Nugget. Toronto, Aug. 8.—Miss Christita Smith, graduate of Toronto General Hospital, left yesterday to assume the position of superintendent of the Good Samaritan Hospital at Dawson. Miss Smith takes with her Miss Gould of Bridge and Miss Anderson of St. Thomas.

No Signs of Trouble

Special to the Daily Nugget. Pittsburg, Aug. 8.—United States soldiers are still camped at various strike settlements in the Shenandoah valley, although there are no indications of trouble.

With Scab Labor.

Special to the Daily Nugget. Wilkesbarre, Aug. 8.—Two more mines in the strike district have resumed with non-union labor. Union men have been enjoined by the courts from interfering.

Rosebery's Prediction.

Special to the Daily Nugget. London, Aug. 7.—Lord Rosebery who presided at the Liberal League banquet stated in a speech that he predicts a turn of the tide in favor of his party.

Coronation Dinner

At the Standard Library Cafe today and tomorrow are being served Coronation Dinners that are far ahead of anything ever seen in Dawson, and all for the low price of 75 cents. The finest fresh poultry, just killed, with homegrown vegetables and all the accompaniments of a first-class dinner are served for the price above stated, 75 cents. Beds, Meals, Baths and the best equipped library in the northwest all under one roof and at prices to suit the times.

Coronation Shirts and Ties

Dunlap, Gordon and Stetson Hats.

New Lines in American Shoes Just Opened.

Our Collar Sale is Still On, \$1.50 Dozen All Up-to-date Styles.

Sargent & Pinska Second Avenue

New China

All Nicely Decorated and Gilded in Newest Shapes and Designs.

Cups and Saucers, 25c, 50c, 75c, \$1.00

China Salads, \$1.00, \$1.50, \$2.00, \$2.50

China Plates, 25c, 50c, 75c, \$1.00

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