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AN ASSAY OFFICE.

The intention of the government to establish an assay office in Dawson seems now to be settled beyond doubt. The advantages which will accrue from such action are many. Gold dust as a circulating medium is far from being satisfactory. The of custom of mixing commercial dust with sand has become so prevalent that in accepting dust in exchange for his merchandise the veudor rarely gets value received. To equalize matters he must charge a proportionately higher rate for his goods. In the end the burden falls upon the consumer. If the town were on a currency basis, business generally could be estimated with far more accuracy and prices in many lines of trade would soon be lowered to where they properly belong. The present status of affairs is little less than deplorable. Currency is always at a premium and, following a law as well established as the force of gravity, is constantly being driven from circulation by the cheaper medium of exchange sgainst which it is thrown in competition.

Anyone will naturally pay out gold dust when he has that option and place his currency in bank. This custom has become so firmly established that as a result currency gains circulation only through artificial means.

The volume of circulating medium should accommodate itself naturally to the amount of business transacted. This can never occur as long as the present makeshift arrangement is pursued. We welcome, therefore, the statement that

of rounds, he must bid the \$100 a fond master can be expected to wear a sang and lasting tarewell. One objection to the proceeding which we would make is the tact that the purse instead of being divided among the winners is-to tatoes see in five years. make use of the language of the mining regulations-to revert to the crown. The election ordinance certainly furnishes a striking example of Legal Adviser Clement's well known thrift.

In the supplementary estimates provided for at the close of the last, ses-

sion of parliament the following Yukon provisions were included : Public buildings (revote), \$75,000; telegraph lines, Quesnelle to Atlin, B. C. (revote), \$110,00, Dawson to Fort Cudahy, \$12,000; trails, roads and bridges (revote), \$50,000; rents; fuel, lighting, \$19,500; witness and jury fees in criminal trials, \$7000; law books, etc., \$6000; living expenses of sheriff and clerk, \$2400; working expenses Yukon telegraph lines, \$47,500; Quesnelle-Atlin telegraph line, \$40,000.

The unusually heavy rains which have prevailed during the past 30 days have not added in any way to the attractions of the summer in town, but have proven a very important factor on the creeks. It is generally conceded that more summer work has been successfully carried out this year than during the three preceding years.

From the way in which the ordinance governing the coming election reads, we are inclined to think that Legal Adviser Clement had his mind on the rules laid down by the Marquis of Queensberry for the government of prize ring contests.

When She Was Bored.

A characteristic story is told of the Prince of Wales and a shy lady, who was introduced to him at some function. The lady was presented as Miss

Keyser. Miss Keyser had never been presented to royalty before, and felt like a girl receiving her first proposal of marriage. She was uncertain just what was expected of her, especially the length of time she ought to talk to a prince. After a moment's conversation she shyly asked the prince to tell her when she

ought to leave him. "On the contrary," gallantly replied the man nearest to England's throne, "it is tor you to tell me when you are bored.

During the agreeable conversation that followed the prince asked her the government intends establishing an where she came from. She replied, assay office in Dawson as an indication paming the town, and adding, what he that one unsatisfactory problem will had not asked, that she had lived there

froid and happy, smiling countenance when he is losing \$169.50 every 30 days. That is more cash than many Kansas farmers who raise their own po-

The question of the day and hour is simply this: Is Dawson going to lie supinely on her back and hug the delusive phantom of hope while her dog pound goes down to perdition for lack of good legitimate patronage? If not, give the dog-catcher a chance; tear the muzzles from your household pets, your

thoroughbred malamutes and full dress huskies and shove them under the eyes of his nibs; otherwise, weeds will grow rampant and owls will hoot at midnight where once flourished a proud and noble institution.

One hundred and sixty-nine dollars and fifty cents in 30 days! Think of it!

New Boundary Line Theory. As business at Skagway is quiet these times, the people there have considerable time to devote to such subjects as boundary lines, bonding privileges. etc. The latest on the boundary line subject has just been perpetrated by the Alaskan as follows:

Hon. Richard Mansfield White, of New York, an explorer, mine owner, and life member of the Historical Society of New Mexico and of the Historical Society of Alaska, who is in Skagway on his way to the interior, makes a new point in regard to the Alaskan boundary dispute. He maintains that the line ten marine leagues from the sea is crossed by numerous streams, and therefore cannot be the summit of a range of mountains, and therefore cannot be the boundary which it is sought to locate. Mr. White last

evening said : "Being the son of Richard Grant White, of New York, and having had at hand in earlier days large library, I looked into the matters of boundaries, and in particular that of Alaska. My father also studied the matter, and being a friend of William Seward, who bought Alaska, he naturally took an interest in the matter.

"Of late I have also looked into the matter, and I find that a line between Alaska and Canada at a distance of ten marine leagues from the winding of the coast is crossed by more than 13 rivers or streams emptying into the Pacific ocean, between Portland canal and the 141st meridian, and that from that fact alone there cannot be a summit or divide of drainage nearer than the said ten marine leagues, and therefore - the contention of the British that the boundary should approach nearer to the coast than the said ten marine leagues is not tenable.

"Also the summits of the White pass and Chilkoot pass cannot be taken as 'the summit of a range of mountains which extend in a direction parallel to the coast from the 56th degree of north latitude to the point of intersection of the 141st degree of west longitude,' for passes between mountains, locally, and not the summit of such an extensive range of mountains as the treaty contemplates. If there are any ranges of mountains at all lie between and separate the rivers funning into the Pacific ocean, and are not parallel to the coast, but at almost right angles to the coast."



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INCORPORATE.

As soon as possible after the coming election for members of the Yukon council is held arrangements should be made for incorporating Dawson. If it is necessary to raise money for purposes of local improvement it sl ould be done in the manner ordinarily followed by municipalities.

A legitimate amount of taxation assessed by a representaive municipal assembly should not and probably will not meet with any considerable degree of opposition. The council's "turn over" basis of taxation was such a remarkable proposition as almost to pass beyond human comprehension. There is small wonder that it met with general remonstrance and that legal means have been sought to procure a stay of proceedings.

We do not apprehend that a representative body of local men would consider a measure of taxation along such lines as were proposed by the council. When the proper time arrives there should be no difficulty in framing a revenue ordinance which will meet all requirements and at the same time possess some measure of equity.

After the election for members of the council is held no further delay should ensue until incorporation becomes an the town will never be satisfactory to tion to the Yukon council? the public at large until it is vested in by popular vote.

contestant must post a forfeit of \$100, the misty future. These are living Next to Holborn Cafe

all ber life. The conversation drifted to other topics, but in a few moments the prince, thinking no doubt to start a those summits are not continuous for new theme, asked her how long she had that length but are only the summits of lived at this place, naming her home town.

Miss Keyser quickly thought that, considering her former answer, a direc reply would be to give her exact age. So, with a pretty courtesy, she said artlessly: "I am bored, your highness."

The prince saw the point, and quickly changed the subject.

Something Must Be Done.

It may not be generally known, but all the same there is a business industry in Dawson that stands on anything but a sound financial basis and that industry is the dog pound. A batch of dogs, having been impounded for a period of 30 days, during which time they grew fat and "sassy," was sold yesterday at an actual loss to the poundmaster of \$169.50. As dogs have to be kept and fed for 30 days before being sold, it is not an unusual thing for a common cur, to use an agricultural expression, to "eat his head off" six or seven times. In order that a dog may pay all the expenses of his keep he must sell for at least \$25, and even at that price the contributions of the poundmaster to the cause of either home or foreign missions will be correspondingly meagre. But this is not all.

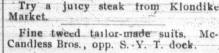
If the dog pound industry runs behind \$169.50 every 30 days, how long will it take the poundmaster to "salt down'' a competency?

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If the dog pound runs behind \$169.50 a representative body of citizens elected every 30 days how long will it be before A FULL LINE OF CARPETS, LINthe poundmaster says, in the language of North Carolina's immortal governor,

"It is a --- long time between drinks!" Apparently there will be no bluffing All these are questions of the present about the approaching election. Every and not of the impenetrable depths of

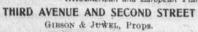
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