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DEFEAT WILL RESULT.

Admiral Dewey bids fair to go down in the history of his country as another example of a career ruined by overweening ambition.

When Dewey returned from the Philippines, he was the cherished idol of an entire nation. He had won a splendid victory for that nation, and a grateful and admiring people vied with each other in doing him honor. His progress through the country was a succession of triumphs. Holidays were voted, magnificent receptions were arranged, and men high in all walks of life hastened to pay homage at the shrine of the man who was regarded over the entire country as a typical American hero.

Had Dewey been content with honors which were justly his, he need never have doubted his hold upon the hearts of his countrymen.

The American people are not ungrateful for services rendered them by their great men, but they have a discriminating appreciation of the eternal fitness of things, which may be offended only with disastrous results.

Dewey, the hero of Manila, resting upon his laurels, was a popular idol, entitled to and accorded universal worship.

But Dewey, endeavoring to use those laurels as a lever with which to elevate himself to the presidency, finds himself in a decidedly different and, in fact, exceedingly uncomfortable position.

The national sense of propriety has been shocked, and Dewey has, in consequence, fallen from the position of high esteem which he formerly occupied. There is no probable combination of circumstances which can land him in the presidency, and should he, in the face of the storm of disapproval which his recent action has evoked, insist upon becoming a candidate, ignominious defeat must almost absolutely result.

No official notice has yet been received of any action on the part of the government in reference to the petition of the local bar association, asking for the appointment of additional judges for the territory. Judge Dugas' time is largely taken up in the adjudication of criminal cases, which must take precedence over civil actions. The docket is now so crowded with business as to preclude its settlement before the beginning of the long summer vacation. Litigants are suffering from long continued delays, which cannot be avoided until remedial action in the way of the appointment of more judges is taken.

The executive committee of the American hospital ship Maine has received the following letter from the lord mayor of London: Mr. A. J. Newton—I enclose you a check for £32,000, from the Transvaal war fund, to be

applied to the beneficent work the American hospital ship Maine is doing for our sick and wounded troops. This check represents some of the contributions Americans have made to the fund, and therefore does not infringe on the grateful determination of your committee to accept only American money for the humanitarian purposes of the Maine.—Toronto Globe.

The petition from the citizens' committee, asking for representation in parliament and on the Yukon Council, has reached Ottawa and been read in parliament. In accordance with well established precedent, the petition will doubtless be given a place in one of the pigeon-holes which abound in the parliament buildings, never again to be resurrected. If any other action ensues, it will be a distinct departure from the ordinary methods of treating public communications from this territory.

The fire department gathered no glory to itself in handling the fire on the Yukoner yesterday. There was a painful absence of system and headwork, which was apparent to everyone who watched the progress of the flames and the manner in which the department performed its work. Considering the amount of money which the Council has expended in placing the fire company on an effective basis, the work of yesterday was anything but flattering.

Dawson presents many peculiarities, which often seem to be absolute contradictions. For instance, admission to the theatres costs 50 cents, which is the same price as that charged for a glass of whiskey. On the outside, the former will cost \$1, and the latter 10 cents. Some cheechako who will come forward and reconcile these differences will do his country a great service.

There is only one thing required to make our cup of happiness in the Yukon absolutely complete, and that is a real, genuine, old-fashioned circus. Some of our enterprising amusement promoters may gain eternal fame as public benefactors by undertaking the importation of a combination of clowns, bareback riders and the other incidentals which go to make up a circus.

As previously announced in the Nugget, a meeting is called for tonight to arrange preliminaries for celebrating the Queen's birthday. There should be a general attendance at the meeting, and every effort put forward to make the coming event one to be long remembered in the history of Dawson.

In the event that lack of water prevents any of our claim owners from completing the spring wash-up, they will at least have one consolation. No royalty can be collected on dust which remains in the dump.

Table Manners.

To the many inhabitants of the Yukon district who eat from tables manufactured from hewed logs, sit on boxes or broken-legged stools and shovel beans into their receptacles with wooden spoons is the following dedication:

At a dinner to which guests are bidden the gentlemen help to seat the ladies before taking their own places. If a clergyman is present, it is customary to request him to ask a blessing.

One should sit so as to bring the body about a foot from the table, and say a few words at the earliest opportunity to both neighbors, whether one has been presented or not. "The roof is an introduction."

The napkin should be folded to half its amplitude and laid upon the lap, and the ladies remove their gloves. It is extremely bad form to put these in a glass, as some do, or tuck them in at

the wrist, leaving the arms covered, a form of laziness that is not according to the usages of good society.

The oysters come first and are eaten with the appropriate fork; otherwise one may find oneself obliged to ask for another, the oyster fork being useless for anything else.

If one does not take wine, it should be sufficient to say to the servant, "No wine, thank you," but one should be on the alert to prevent its being poured, if one's preferences is forgotten later on. Out of consideration to one's host one would not waste what is supposed to be choice and costly.

Soup must be taken from the side of the spoon, unattended by the slightest sound, and the plate may be tipped away from one, never toward one, if one is very anxious to secure the last spoonful.

No one uses a knife with fish unless silver ones, made for the purpose, are provided. A bit of bread is usually sufficient as an auxiliary to the fork.

Entrees are eaten with the fork alone. The roast imposes no special etiquette. If a vegetable is served as a separate course according to French fashion, each has its own punctilio.

Asparagus may be held in the fingers if the stalks are not too slender and pliant or divided and eaten with a fork.

In England one who would eat peas with a spoon would be regarded as a barbarian. Artichokes may be also eaten with the fingers, plucking the leaves to be eaten at the base of each.

The game follows with the salad, which last, if composed of lettuce, should be dipped in a sauce and the tiny morsel eaten with a fork alone, which may fold the leaves to a convenient size.

Ice cream is eaten with a fork or spoon, as one prefers, never with both. Fruit must never be bitten, but cut in small pieces and eaten in either the hand or with a fork.

One dips only the ends of the fingers in the finger bowl, after which, at a signal from the hostess, the ladies rise, placing the napkins, still unfolded, at the side of their plates, as implying that they, of course, will not be used again, and withdraw from the room. The men rise and remain standing, while the one nearest the door holds it open for the ladies to pass through.

It is customary, upon leaving the table, to set one's chair closer to it or far enough away to enable others to pass without inconvenience.—Table Talk.

An Unconfirmed Report.

From a source which is in position to hear and know of the workings of the Dominion government at Ottawa as promptly as such can be conveyed from there to Dawson it is learned that Major A. B. Perry, who was here as commander of the N. W. M. P. in the Yukon district, and who was summoned by wire early in April to repair with all haste to Ottawa, will be returned to the Yukon, not in the capacity of commander of the police but as commissioner of the district, which position is now filled by Mr. Ogilvie.

Mrs. Perry, when seen at her home yesterday by a Nugget reporter, had heard nothing of the report, but declined to speak for publication further than say she does not believe there is any truth in the report. If the lady knows for what purpose her husband was called to Ottawa she declined to make it known.

Getting Ready for Business.

The downtown branch of the Canadian Bank of Commerce, on the site where it did business before the fire, will be open to the public in a few days. The big safe which, since the fire, has been stored in the brick warehouse on Third street, was hauled down yesterday and placed in position in the new room. R. W. Calderhead superintended the moving, and the safe which weighs upwards of 8000 pounds was hauled over the bare ground on a sled to which were attached the Mutchler Bros.' four draught horses, the best and biggest teams in the city; and to see the way the powerful animals spread themselves in their might was fully as interesting as a heel and toe race, and drew almost as large a crowd as did the latter event.

Sluicing Water Scarce.

Although he has not visited the creek in person for some time, Humboldt Gates is in receipt of news from his Sulphur claims to the effect that but little water is yet running in that creek, and that regular nightly freezing is materially reducing the supply which would otherwise be used in sluicing. The same reports are heard of many of the other creeks, and it now looks as though the clean-up this year will be prolonged through a material lack of water.

Will the party who took a book from the dressing-room of the McDonald hall, Saturday night, return it to the Nugget office.

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