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## JAMES ALLMARK

Constable and Court Orderly in the N. W. M. P. Service

HAS VANISHED LIKE DEW DROPS

From a Huckleberry Bush Before the Morning Sun.

HE SKIPS IN A SMALL BOAT

For the Green Fields of America, Which Lie Beyond the Boundary Line.

Had Diogenes lived in the present day the great Yukon vale would be a broad field in which he might wander with a lantern in day light in quest of honest men. Another thing, that of continuous daylight, would also be in his favor.

The most perplexing question of the day and hour is: Whom can I trust? And every day seems to lessen the number of men in Dawson who were formerly looked upon as being, like Caesar's wife, beyond reproach.

Up to the hour of going to press there may have been two or three since the latest embarkation for the "green fields of America" was Jimmy Allmark, a constable in the N. W. M. P. service and, since the daring hold up on the evening of January 10th, orderly in the police court and "receiving teller" when fines were paid.

But the rotund and familiar form of Jimmy is not there any more. As vanishes the glistening dew drops from the huckleberry bush, so has Jimmy vanished from the scenes of former triumphs. His tight pants and patent

leather shoes will no more greet the eye of the habitue of the police court, and his stereotyped command "stand up" will be heard only in nightmares. But Jimmy's straw erry, blonde face, with its frank, honest look and happy smile, the brilliant twinkle of his laughing eye as some hootch soaked individual would hear the minimum of \$20 or 30 days, are things which we can never forget. As an oasis in the desert, so was Jimmy's smile to the monotony of the police court.

It was three or four nights ago that the former trusted constable silently dropped down the river and away from the service he seemingly loved so well; for Jimmy was a good officer, one who stood on the tallest church steeple, so to speak, in the estimation of his superiors in the service, who trusted him implicitly. In fact, up to the time the news of his departure was wafted nither and thither by the local zephyrs, if anyone had been asked to name a policeman in Dawson who was apt to live and die in the service, nine in every ten would have said Jimmy Allmark.

O Tempores! O Mores! It is in the air and Jimmy could not resist the current that said "come on, Jimmy." It is not believed he wanted to go, the writer is confident he did not; but going, and going in small boats in the dead hour of night when all nature is wrapped in the long, white unstarched robes of night is epidemic and Jimmy was caught in the vortex and whirled away. And that is all there is to it.

Constable Allmark is said to have taken with him money not his own to the amount of about \$300, possibly a little less, of which amount \$265 is said to belong to Attorney Clark of Clark & Wilson, the money having been paid on an account which Mr. Clark gave Allmark to collect, but it is not thought that he got away with any great amount of fine money paid into the police court, as there is but little opportunity there for "copping off" or holding out. Allmark has many friends in Dawson who are sorry for his departure, and greatly deplore that he should have gone in a manner that reflects discredit upon himself as well as upon the honorable service to which he belonged and in which he had ever been a true and efficient member.

### His Experience.

"On the 8th day of last July I went to work on a lay on a certain claim less than 10 miles from Dawson. I was to pay the owner 15 per cent and also pay all the royalty, which left me 45 per cent on which to operate. I worked like a nigger until the 6th of the present month, when I finished cleaning up. I paid every bill I owed at 100 cents on the dollar, and I will take my solemn oath that this is all I have left for 11 months of the hardest work I ever done in my life."

As the speaker ceased, he opened his hand and showed the fruits of his labor—just 40 cents.

That man borrowed money from a friend and was a passenger on the Seattle No. 3.

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## \$500 OR 3 MONTHS

In the Common Jail Is Alternative Given Struthers and Sutherland

BY HON. JUSTICE DUGAS TO-DAY.

Wm. S. Brown Must Serve Three Months and Pay \$100.

TEMPERED WITH GREAT MERCY

Were the Sentences and Language of the Court in Acting Justice—Brief History of the Case.

On the opening of the forenoon session of the territorial court, this morning the three prisoners, W. S. Brown, R. D. Sutherland and John Fred Struthers, the participants in the late sensational bribery scandal, were brought over from the jail for sentence.

Struthers and Sutherland were ordered to step into the prisoner's box where they were jointly dealt with. Justice Dugas informed them that after a fair and impartial trial by a jury they had been convicted of serious charges, but that he did not propose exercising the power vested in him by imposing the maximum penalty provided by law, that they were both young men and had possibly been led by older, and more experienced persons into the crimes committed by them; that a lengthy petition in Struthers' behalf had been submitted to him, which petition was signed by many influential people. The judge then sentenced the two young men to pay a fine of \$500 each, and in default of such payment to be confined in the common jail for a period of three months. The prisoners then stepped down from the prisoner's box which was immediately entered by William S. Brown, whom Justice Dugas thus addressed:

"Brown, you are the instigator of this crime, and I will not be so lenient with you as I have been with the others. You are older, therefore more experienced than the others, and it is but right that your punishment should be more severe. Another thing: You came into this court and committed perjury, hoping thereby to protect Struthers; later, being ashamed of yourself, you withdrew your plea of not guilty and substituted that of guilty. On account, therefore, of your being the instigator of the crime, and of your having perjured yourself in this court, I will sentence you to imprisonment in the common jail for a period of three months, and at the expiration of that time to pay a fine of \$100, and in default of payment of that fine to one month additional imprisonment in the jail. That is all."

It is said this afternoon that Struthers has paid his own and Sutherland's fine, the two amounting to \$1000, and that the young men are now both free.

The readers of the Nugget are familiar with the history of the crime for which the three men, John Fred Struthers, Ronald D. Sutherland and William S. Brown, were arrested, tried, convicted and sentenced.

Struthers, previous to and on May 9th of the present year, was bench claim recording and claim renewal clerk in the office of Assistant Gold Commissioner Bell. On the above mentioned date Wm. S. Brown took to the desk of Struthers a bill of sale to Geo. Brewitt for a claim on Lovett gulch, also Brewitt's miner's license. In a short space of time, Brown emerged from that office with papers which purported to show that the claim had been duly represented according to law by the required amount of work having been performed, the records showing that two men, "James Johnson" and "Simon Thorne," had sworn that the legal

amount of work had been performed. Sutherland's connection with the above was that he, as a broker, had undertaken, for Brewitt's agent, to have the claim appear to be duly represented for the sum of \$135, Sutherland turning the matter over to Brown and Brown dealing directly with Struthers in the assistant gold commissioner's office.

The same evening all three of the men were taken into custody by Sergeant Wilson by whom the trap had been laid. It may have been the first offence, or it may have been the hundredth; certain it is that it was the last along that line.

At the preliminary hearings the disposition made of the \$135 was admitted by all three of the prisoners. It was cut up as follows: For his commission as broker, Sutherland received \$22.50; for effecting the deal at the office of the assistant gold commissioner with Struthers, Brown received \$37.50; to keep the accounts of the office square \$15, the usual fee in such cases, went into the cash drawer, while the remaining \$60 went to Struthers as recompense for his ingenuity in supplying "James Johnson" and "Simon Thorne," the mythical affiants, and for his further work in perfecting the documents.

All three were held over to the territorial court, and when the time arrived for their respective hearings, Struthers and Sutherland plead not guilty and stood for trial; Brown plead guilty. All were convicted several days ago, and the last scene, as above stated, was enacted this morning when sentence was imposed.

### Held on a Capias.

Jack Cavanaugh was yesterday arrested and lodged in jail on a capias warrant, at the instigation of a person to whom he is alleged to be indebted in the sum of between \$500 and \$600, and who feared that the erstwhile Forks hotel man was about to decamp for the territory of the "Sams." A second capias warrant for a sum of \$240 claimed to be due by another party has also been sworn out against Cavanaugh.

### POLICE COURT NEWS.

The first case before Magistrate Primrose this morning was that of Alex Gordon, a man of Herculean proportions, charged with having been uproariously drunk yesterday morning in the Aurora saloon. Alex is the man mentioned in yesterday's paper as having to be loaded into a wagon and hauled to the jail. It also came out that Alex had been quite destructive in his actions while under the influence of hootch, as he had almost torn the pants off the arresting officer. An itemized account of Alex's expenses were made as follows: Pants, \$10; cost of wagon to convey him to jail, \$2; fine, \$5; costs, \$5; total, \$22, or one month in jail, which means one month on the royal fuel refinery. Alex did not have the "filthy lucre" in his clothes, but a friend said "I'll fix it."

The suit of John Hogan vs. J. W. Rogers was continued until the 20th, owing to the fact that Rogers is not physically able at this time to make the long trip in from Gold Run. Rogers is the man who was shot several times some weeks ago by his partner, Soggs.

Five men were in court this morning to enter suit against J. C. Patterson, operator of claim No. 29 below on Sulphur, for wages alleged to be due. But as the court records show that already two judgments have been entered against Patterson on which distress warrants have been issued, but no property found on which to levy attachments, the claimants were advised to look around for property belonging to Patterson, and if any is found to return and enter suit.

The case against Lulu Watts, charged with having belabored a man over the head with a bottle, was concluded yesterday afternoon when the female who possibly didn't inspire the song "Lulu, Love Her, 'Deed I Do," was dismissed.

### Notice.

We, the undersigned, have purchased Louis Golden's building, The Exchange, and business. Anyone having any debts due please present the same to EDWARDS & DELONE, Props.

The liquors are the best to be had, at the Regina.

Fresh eggs just arrived. Mohr & Wijkens.

RECEIVED BY WIRE.

## FULLY CONFIRMED

Lord Roberts Cables to London the News of Pretoria's Capture.

GENERAL BOTHA SOUGHT AN ARMISTICE

But Roberts Stood Pat for Unconditional Surrender.

KRUGER'S WIFE IN PRETORIA.

Movements of Other Troops—13th Yeomanry Captured—Features of New Alaska Bill.

London, June 5, via Skagway, June 12.—Not until this morning was London fully assured that Pretoria is in the hands of Roberts' forces. Lord Roberts cabled the news just before dark yesterday. The enemy had been beaten back from nearly all his positions. Shortly before midnight of the 3rd Roberts was awakened by a messenger bearing a letter from Gen. Botha asking that an armistice might be agreed upon. To this message an answer was returned stating that unconditional surrender would be the only terms offered.

Botha replied that he had decided not to defend the capital and asked protection for the women, children and property in the city. At 2 o'clock on the afternoon of the 4th Roberts took formal possession of Pretoria. Mrs. Kruger and Mrs. Botha are both in the city. Botha and most of his troops are reported to have escaped.

### Other Movements.

London, June 5, via Skagway, June 12.—Lord Roberts reports with regret that the 13th Yeomanry surrendered to a superior force of Boers near Lindley on the 31st ult. He sent Methuen to the rescue, the latter arriving too late. His force kept up a running engagement with the Boers for five hours. Buller has not moved of late, and operations elsewhere amount to but little.

### Alaska Bill.

Washington, D. C., June 6, via Skagway, June 12.—The bill amending the Alaska code has gone to the president for his signature. The bill as it now stands allows the miners at Nome to make their own regulations within certain reasonable limits. No delegate from Alaska is allowed in congress.

Three additional judges are appointed for the district. Six men hereafter will constitute a jury.

### By Str. Sybil.

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