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WEDNESDAY, APRIL 10, 1901.

### AN AUSPICIOUS TIME.

The new commissioner for the Yukon territory comes to Dawson in what we believe to be an auspicious time. After four years of steady and ever expanding effort in the line of developing the resources of this territory, it may be said that the territory has only begun to throw off its swaddling clothes. Its progress until within the past six months has been hampered by restrictive legislation, to such an extent that no opportunity has been presented to the territory to grow in a manner such as its abundant resources warrant. The load which has been hampering the development of the district has largely been removed and in consequence we believe, and present conditions seem fully to warrant the belief that we are on the eve of a period of much greater prosperity than has been enjoyed at any previous time.

Many of the difficulties against which Mr. Ross' predecessor in office has had to contend have been cleared away and the new commissioner will have better sailing than has been the case with Mr. Ogilvie.

The growth of our material interests will, however, present new problems from time to time and in the solution of these the ripe experience of the new commissioner should prove invaluable. The Nugget extends to the new executive the hope that his term of office in the Yukon may see this territory grow and flourish and become, as it is justly entitled to do, one of the important and influential elements of which the great Dominion is composed.

### GOOD FAITH SHOWN.

The information brought by the new Yukon commissioner respecting the royalty reduction sustains the opinion expressed by this paper when the reduction was first announced.

The exemption of \$5000 still continues, and the tax of five per cent is to be levied upon the output in excess of that amount. This will be news of the greatest importance to hundreds of small miners throughout the territory, the output of whose claims never reaches an extravagantly large figure.

As was indicated in these columns at the time the royalty reduction was announced, the abolishment of the exemption clause would practically offset the benefits which otherwise would accrue from the measure. The small miner would have been placed in a much worse position than formerly, and the benefits would have accrued entirely to the heavy claim owners. This we did not believe to be the intention of the government and this belief, as noted above, is fully borne out by the statement of Mr. Ross.

The government having expressed a direct intention to give the Yukon territory every possible concession in the way of legitimate reform it would scarcely offer so shadowy a measure as the order for the reduction of the royalty would have been, had the same not carried with it a continuance of the exemption clause.

The government has demonstrated its good faith in the matter in an unmistakable manner.

Had the original movers in the matter of receiving the new commissioner given public notice of their intention in the beginning, a great deal of friction and no small amount of hard feelings would have been avoided. Such matters, however, always work themselves out in the end as was the case at the meeting of yesterday, the details of which are presented elsewhere in this paper. The entire community is interested in welcoming the new executive as it is also in properly expressing appreciation of the services of the retiring commissioner. The committees as now constituted are certainly representative of the various interests of the territory.

There are ways and ways of doing things. This is particularly true in the matter of tendering receptions to high officials. Secret calls for public meetings are just a little out of order in our present highly advanced state of civilization.

How the powers will extricate themselves from their difficulties in the Orient without resort to war, is almost impossible to understand. The situation as it stands at the present time seems incapable of any other solution.

### Who is a Printer?

Hunker, April 9th, 1901.  
Editor Klondike Nugget:  
Sir—To decide a bet will you kindly answer, through your valuable paper the following:  
A bets a typesetter is not a printer; while B bets he is a printer. If he is not a printer, please tell us what constitutes one. And oblige,  
A NUGGET READER.

(A good typesetter is always a printer, although in the experience of the majority of publishers, persons apply for positions in printing offices who are what are termed "blacksmiths" by the professionals. A good printer, having served his term as an apprentice, is always a good typesetter. A pressman may print, but he can not, in the strict sense of the word, be called a printer.)

### Attention, Trappers.

The following price will be paid by the New York Zoological Society through their agent, Mr. J. Alden Loring, for animals of any age, delivered to the nearest port at which the Alaska Commercial Company's boats touch on return trips. They must be perfectly healthy and in no way injured. I will accept the first 2, 4 or 6, or whatever number the list calls for, which are offered, and pay for them when received in the fall on my way south: Three silver tip or bald-faced grizzly, \$40 each; 2 glacier bears, \$30 each; 2 pigmy white bears (from Naas river), \$70 each; 2 blue bears, \$30 each; 6 wolverines, \$20 each; 4 red foxes, \$8 each; 2 white or 2 black wolves (not gray) \$30 each; 3 white mountain sheep, \$50 each; 6 mountain goats, \$50 each; 3 caribou or 3 moose calves, \$50 each.

Animals of most any species (except black bears) are usually desired, and it would be well to write stating what you have and give prices.

J. ALDEN LORING,  
Field Agent New York Zoological Society, Tyconok, Cooks Inlet.

### Ignorance Enlightened.

"It was easy enough to tell that your entertainer was an Englishman."  
"In what way?"  
"Why, he didn't sound his h's when he sang."  
"That shows how little you know about music. The scale doesn't run above G."—Richmond Dispatch.

The Pacific Cold Storage Co. offers every facility for keeping frozen products.

Shoff, the Dawson Dog Doctor Pioneer Drug Store.

**New Belts**  
**New Neckwear**  
**All-over Lace**  
Black, White and Cream  
**Stamped Linen**  
**Straw Hats**  
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## When the ICE Goes Out!

Guess nearest to the going out of the ice and we will give you

- A tailor-made suite of clothes
- A pair of shoes
- A hat
- A fine shirt
- Collars
- Cuffs and necktie

Anyone can guess,  
It will cost you nothing.

## Welcome! Commissioner Ross!

WE extend the glad hand to you, and at the same time, acknowledge the many sterling qualities of your predecessor. There are many surprises in store for you, Commissioner. You will find the people of Dawson strictly up-to-date in their ideas. We have found that out in our business and it has kept us hustling to keep abreast of the times. You will notice at the banquet tendered you that the citizens of Dawson are as well and appropriately dressed as any similar body of men in the world. In that fact we take great pride. Looking for information, should you ask some particularly well-dressed man who the leading clothier and haberdasher of Dawson is, there will be but one answer,

OPPOSITE  
WHITE PASS DOCK

**"HERSHBERG"**

## STROLLER'S COLUMN.

In the knee-pants days of his youth and when he was wont to stand behind the barn until half frozen and surreptitiously smoke a homemade pipe, and before the sere was on his pumpkin, the Stroller read in Harkness' Latin reader of the convention held by the mice at which meeting ways and means were discussed by which the approach of the cat might be made known in time for all to scamper safely to their holes. One mouse, wiser than his fellows, suggested that a bell be put upon the cat. The suggestion was hailed with delight and the maker of it was invited to a seat on the platform beside the speaker. A motion that a bell be put upon her Mariaship carried without a dissenting voice; but when the chair proceeded to appoint a committee to put on the bell, each mouse had urgent business elsewhere and the bell was not worn by the cat.

The local gold dust question is similar in many respects to the grievance of the mice. Everybody agrees that it should be retired as a medium of exchange, but no one is willing to take upon himself the responsibility of saying just how to bring about the desired result. That gold dust should be retired is as apparent to the people of Dawson and the Klondike as was the necessity of a bell on the cat apparent to the mice. But the retiring of it is an entirely different matter.

Dr. J. N. E. Browne, although not now a practicing physician, still has the traits of one and that is why he never goes on a journey that will keep him from home over night without taking with him his medicine case.

Having business at Gold Run the latter part of last week, the doctor, accompanied by his wife, made a trip to that place and while absent were called upon to pass a night in one of the many roadhouses which, as regards class and quality, are indigenous only to the Yukon. As usual the doctor had with him his medicine case, likewise a bottle of fluid extract of rye, for in a country where ice worms abound there is no telling but that deadly serpents may also be found. In fact, there is no telling what a traveler will find in a roadhouse bunk and the doctor did not propose to be taken off his guard, hence the rye.

Now in the average roadhouse telephones and speaking tubes are not required in order that a roomer may hold communication with his neighbor in the next room or across the hall. In fact, it is a matter of choice whether a guest at a roadhouse enters or departs from his room through the door or a crack in the wall.

On the night in question the doctor and his wife had retired but found sleep impossible owing to the continuous coughing of a fellow guest who, with half a dozen others, was occupying a large room some distance from the boudoir of the Browns. With the instincts of the Good Samaritan which characterizes his daily life, Dr. Brown arose at midnight, lighted a candle and with medicine case in hand, started out on a mission of mercy. First going to the kitchen he managed to procure some hot water which he carried to the room from whence the coughing proceeded. The sufferer was soon located and the application of remedies began. As the seat of trouble appeared to be in the man's breast, a mustard plaster was fished from the medicine case and applied. Some boiling water was poured into a glass, or a tomato can, and into it was emptied a liberal amount of 12-year-old Canadian Club, the fumes of which soon permeated the entire house and the odor from hot whisky is not to be sneezed at in any country. The patient drank the soothing potion, turned over and gained ten pounds before morning. The doctor shiveringly returned to his bed and sought to woo gentle slumber, but in vain. The other guests of the

house were "dead next." They had snuffed the aroma of hot whisky and coughing became contagious and from its vehemence a case of pneumonia was threatened in every bunk in that hostelry, so from that time until the contents of the bottle were gone glimmering the good hearted territorial secretary alternated between the kitchen for hot water and the bed-sides of his numerous patients, and not until the rays of the morning sun began to wink at him through the crevices of his room did he drop into fitful sleep, broken by a hacking cough, the result of a cold he had contracted while waiting on his numerous patients of the previous night. The next time Dr. Browne takes a journey of a similar kind his medicine case will contain only one article and that will be the slumber brand of hootch.

Harry Hershberg went up against it when he opened his guessing contest regarding the going out of the ice. Not only has he had to get an enlarged ticket box, but he has had to hire two extra boxes at the postoffice where the clerks are kicking at the amount of extra work forced upon them in handling the letters addressed to Hershberg from the creeks, all of which contain guesses which the makers are certain will win the outfit offered to the one hitting the thumb nail fairly in the center. Besides, when the contest is

over a corps of expert accountants will have to be employed to go over the votes.

Odds are being offered around town that Hershberg will go broke on his scheme before it is finished.

**Hard Luck.**  
"This clock is 87 years old and worth \$5,000."  
"Well, well! An I'm '92 an' it's worth half that much."—Indianapolis News.

Chechaco butter. Selman & Myers

**FALCON JOSLIN.....**  
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**WHAT MORE CAN BE SAID?**

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Grand Sacred Concert Sunday Evening, April 14

**TONIGHT! TONIGHT!**  
POST & BREEN'S COMEDY  
**RILEY'S RECEPTION**  
A Side-Splitting Comedy  
First appearance of MISS MYRTLE DRUMMOND, Fred Breen, Walther & Forrest, Post & Ashley, 20 STARS. Marion, Celia DeLacy. 25 STARS. SHARKEY-JEFFRIES FIGHT BY PROF. PARKES.  
Show concludes with "The Pawnbroker"  
Admission 50 Cents. Reserved Seats 2.00

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LADIES NIGHT  
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