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Skagway Daily Alaskan Conducting a Presidential Voting Contest

WITH BRYAN SLIGHTLY IN THE LEAD.

Roosevelt's Popularity Helping McKinley in New York.

BABCOCK MAKES ESTIMATE.

Looks Favorable to Government in Canada—Sifton Defends Walsh on Charge of Drunkenness.

From Thursday and Friday's Daily Skagway, Nov. 2.—The Daily Alaskan has followed the example set by the Nugget and is taking a ballot on the presidential contest, and on the question of Alaska being given territorial form of government. The polls opened Tuesday, the votes being counted each night. In three days 198 votes were cast and last night's count showed Bryan to be 11 votes ahead. A big vote will be polled on election day, when the general impression here is, Bryan will be snowed under. The vote for territorial government is practically unanimous.

Much interest is manifested here in the Nugget's Klondike presidential election. From the papers received here from the States but little idea can be formed as to the probable general result of the election. The papers are filled with speeches, but there is little speculation as to the outcome.

New York Politics.

New York, Oct. 29, via Skagway, Nov. 2.—There are some misgivings here as to whether or not registration was honestly conducted in the Greater New York district, as the registration books show a fraction more than 656,000 voters. As a general thing the vote of the entire state is conceded to McKinley by a large majority. Roosevelt has met with great receptions all over the state and in the interior it is thought his personal popularity will add largely to the Republican vote, while the same thing will assist in decreasing the Democratic majority in Greater New York.

Chairman Babcock, of the congressional committee, asserts that the Republicans will have a majority of 17 in the next house, two more than in the present house and eight more than is necessary to elect a speaker. Babcock says: "During the past 30 days more marked changes have taken place than in any campaign within my recollection, and I am very conservative when I state that McKinley will win by a large majority."

Betting in the big circles is not brisk. Croker offered \$100,000 to \$150,000 that Bryan will carry New York city and state, which was immediately covered. A few bets at two to one have been made on McKinley, but Democratic money, even at these figures, appears to be scarce.

The best conservative estimates based on information from all the state central committees gives McKinley a majority of 54 votes in the electoral college.

Sifton on the Stump.

Vancouver, Oct. 29, via Skagway, Nov. 2.—As to the Dominion election everything looks favorable to the government, although the opposition is

making a strong and bitter fight, its principal argument, and a very strong one, being the abuses in the Klondike. Sifton recently made a great speech at Brandon in which he answered many charges, devoting considerable time to defending Walsh against the charge of drunkenness. It is undoubtedly one of the hottest campaigns in the history of Canada, and in the next few days are expected some clever deductions as to the result.

Weary Travelers Return.

Attorney Dan McKinnon and Charles McLeod are tired. Not only are they fatigued in body but they are mentally exhausted as well. This condition is not due to a rush of business, but to extended travel.

The pair started out early last Tuesday morning in one of Mr. McLeod's rigs, to go to Dominion creek, and after traveling hard all day, they stopped late that evening at a road house, which proved on investigation to be Sproule's house on Sulphur creek. How they got there, having started for Dominion, of course they were unable to say, but they stopped all night and made a fresh start the next morning, firmly resolved to reach Dominion or perish in the attempt. They did neither. What they did do, however, was to get to Gold Run during the evening, and even to this day Dominion knows them not, as they succeeded in getting back to Dawson last evening, having left Gold Run yesterday morning.

Mr. McLeod accounts for their failure to get to Dominion with but a single word. When asked about it he says "damun." It's different with Dan. He has, notwithstanding his weariness of spirit since his return, evolved a theory concerning the matter, and he is of the opinion that one of McLeod's horses is a reincarnation of Tam O'Shanter's mare, and, if that is so the gentlemen are to be congratulated upon their safe return to Dawson.

He Escaped Arrest.

Yesterday afternoon a weary looking individual driving, or attempting to drive, a large yellow dog, made his way down First avenue with some difficulty and was narrowly watched by many people. Those who looked after him with the most apparent suspicion were policemen and women. All the difficulty which seemed to retard the onward progress of the tired pilgrim seemed to arise with the dog, which had evidently become imbued with the patriotic spirit which animated the army of Coxe. He was opposed to labor, and believed in setting a good example, so refused to obey the mush order, however heartily given, and voiced his protests in long blood curdling wails of disapproval, whenever it seemed that punishment was imminent. The man who drove him onward and pulled the sled himself by way of encouragement, was mindful of the fact that the dog's howls were drawing upon him considerable scrutiny and was forbearant in consequence. Near the bridge over the slough he got relief. Another dog sled drew alongside and two dogs were taken out of the team and hitched up with the balky dog, one before and another behind, and the order to mush was given. The yellow dog, true to his principles, sat down with great promptitude and decision, but it wasn't a good place to sit. The black dog behind him had apparently no feeling in common with the sitting down habit, and when he found his way blocked he began cannibalistic practices on the sinner. There was a howl indicating pained surprise, a snapping of tightening harness, and when the sled rounded the next corner the driver was holding his cap on with both hands and the lead dog was stretching himself to keep out of the way.

First to Cross.

At 2 o'clock this morning E. M. Bruce, F. J. Rogers and Guston Honore, all three of whom live at West Dawson, went home after spending the evening on this side of the river. They made the journey across in a canoe. At 12:30 this afternoon the same trio returned to Dawson, but they left the canoe on the other side. Shortly after they reached home this morning the ice in the river jammed and stopped running. At noon the men started across, each carrying a ten-foot pole and picking their way over the jam. It required about half an hour to complete the dangerous trip, and for the risk they ran the three men have the honor of being the first to cross the river on the ice this winter. In addition they have a case of wine which they won from Billy Thomas of the West Side house.

Is It a Floral Wave.

There has been a perceptible falling off in the criminal business of the police court within the past two weeks, previous to which time there would be as many cases of drunk and disorderly each morning as are now up in an entire week. No shortage of whisky has been reported, but it is known that a large stock of watered goods was lately received, but it is asserted that the water in it is so prominent as to do away with all possibility of its being retailed over a bar; so to this cause the fact that drunkenness in Dawson is diminishing can not be attributed. It may be possible that a great tidal wave of morality is sweeping, like a partial eclipse of the moon, over the Yukon vale and that from now henceforth hooch will be given a chance to age before it is consumed. Again, the present may be what weather prophets call a "dry moon" and as there is no denying but that the moon is a powerful agency in the matter of effect, and

as all men are more or less lunatics, not crazy, but subject to the influence of the moon, it may be that to Luna is attributable the period of good behavior which is now on tap in Dawson, and as the results of which the police court columns of the papers are being filled with boiler plate suggestions on pruned culture and when to wear lambs, many royal saws at the barracks are accumulating rust from disuse and a shortage of fuel is imminent at the same place. If the next moon does not bring a change, then may it be truthfully said: "It is either a tidal wave of reform or it is watered whisky."

Does She Keep Boarders?

Instead of such mottoes as "Eat, Drink and Be Merry," "God Bless Our Home," etc., an Atchison woman has put in her dining room mottoes like these: "Eat Your Food Slowly," "Thoroughly Masticate Before Swallowing," "Don't Overeat; There Will Be Another Meal In Five Hours; This Isn't Your Last Meal on Earth," etc.—Atchison Globe.

Concerning Dogs.

Many complaints are made that the dogs are a much greater nuisance in winter than in summer; that they fight more in winter and are much greater thieves than during the warmer weather. Dawson is now full of homeless, half-starved dogs and as the season advances and the demand for them does not increase, there will be many more homeless dogs than at present. To a great extent the days for dog-teaming in the Klondike are past, and if fully one-half the canines in the city were decently but effectually killed off, it would be better for the people and at the same time be a kindness to the dogs.

Trustworthy Guarantees.

"Are you the editor?" "Yes, sir. What can I do for you?" "I wish you would say in the paper tomorrow morning that 'Mr. Ralph Bungo, the popular young society leader, has returned from his summer trip to the mountains.'" "I presume this is correct, but items of this kind, you know, must be guaranteed by somebody." "I can assure you it's all right." "I have no doubt it is, but would you mind telling me your name?" "I'me—Mr. Bungo."—Ex.

A Practical Joke.

One of the two men who boarded the smoking car of the Rock Island suburban train had been visiting Chinatown on his way over to the station. This might have been deduced by a close observer from the long packets of flaming vermilion that stuck out of his breast pocket and from the bamboo stemmed pipe that a wrapping of newspaper only half concealed. The two men settled themselves in a seat on the shady side, opened the window in front of them and produced cigars. One of them struck a match, and they both lighted their cigars from it.

As the man who held the match shook it preparatory to throwing it out of the window the man from Chinatown said: "Hold on. Keep that for a moment," and opening one of the red packets drew forth two punk sticks and lighted them. Nobody seemed to notice the action. He looked around for a place to stick them and after searching in vain for a crack in the seat in front inserted them in the band of his companion's straw hat.

In a moment or two the sticks began to throw out delicate wreaths of aromatic smoke, and a man in the seat in front sniffed and looked around uneasily. The man from Chinatown grinned and nudged his seatmate.

The train pulled out of the station, and the current of air from the open window blew the smoke from the burning punk hither and thither, and as its sphere of influence widened the sniffs became more general. When the conductor came around to take up the tickets, two or three men asked him what the road was burning for fuel. "I had an idea that the directors might have approved of a plan to utilize old rubber overshoes and obsolete wool mattresses compressed into bricks," said one passenger sarcastically. "I smell something, sure enough," said the conductor, "but it seems to me like feathers dipped in wood alcohol. If any of you want to come into the baggage car, I'm sure you're welcome. It doesn't seem so strong there."

"You'd better look up your little red ax and bottles of fire extinguishing dope," suggested the man from Chinatown, looking about him. The next instant he touched the conductor on the arm and winked to indicate a young man three seats back who was smoking a cigarette.

"That's what the trouble is," assented the conductor.

When he got around to the cigarette smoker, he asked him what brand he used.

"Rameses No. 18," said the young man, with a grateful appreciation of the conductor's interest. "They're good."

"I'd try either No. 9 or No. 36 if I were you," said the conductor mildly. "I think they must have made a mistake and given you No. 13. I don't believe they're going to bring you good luck."

"Why not?" asked the young man.

"Because of the way they smell," said the conductor.

"You can't tell what there is in them things," remarked a passenger who was smoking a spotty, greenish brown cigar that burned in an irregular wedge on one side.

"See here," said the young man wrathfully, straightening out a pair of broad shoulders, "these cigarettes have got tobacco in them, but I don't care if it's hay and oakum. I smoke 'em

because I want to smoke 'em, and if there's anybody that thinks he can tell me what I want to smoke he'd better try it right now."

"I see that the railroads are forbidding their men to smoke them," observed the man from Chinatown in a rather loud tone of voice, where at the young man half raised himself in his seat and then sank back again and sent a stream of smoke over toward his tormentor. Another stream floated back from the punk to meet it, and the young man saw it and the punk at the same instant.

"If you took them sticks out of your friend's hat, it would seem less like a hop joint in this car," said the young man.

And then the friend had to take them out because the passengers earnestly requested him to, and the man from Chinatown laughed and said that he ought to have known better. As for the young man, he lighted a fresh cigarette unchallenged.—Ex.

Will Be Pleasantly Remembered.

"Thomas, we should have left our cards when we called at the Pinckneys. I don't know how we happened to forget it." "I guess it won't make any difference, Jane. We left a good umbrella there."—Chicago Tribune.

The Terpsichoreans.

Some 35 gentlemen who delight to shake the light fantastic toe, have banded themselves together under the name of the "Terpsichoreans," and their object is to give social hops every fortnight during the winter.

The initial dance will be given to-morrow night in Fraternity hall. A limited number of invitations will be issued for each dance, as the hall will not accommodate a large crowd.

Attorney Thornburn is the president and Mr. Soule and Mr. Taggart, respectively, the secretary and treasurer of the new society.

Would Change It Himself.

"It's a woman's privilege to change her mind, you know," she said. "That's right," he replied, brutally, "and I don't blame her a bit. If I had the average feminine mind I'd change it myself."

However, he already had the reputation of being a "mean old thing," so very little harm was done.

A Red Hot Meeting.

The fistic and wrestling carnival tonight at Anderson's gymnasium promises to be one of unusual interest as the program below will evidence. The main events, the two goes between the Colorado Kid vs. Billy Carroll, and Al. Smith vs. Young Callahan, will be well worth seeing as all seem eager for the fray and are out for a reputation.

The gymnasium has been entirely remodelled and is now of sufficient size to seat comfortably over 700 people. Seats are being sold rapidly and it is expected by the management that "standing room only" will be hung on the entrance early in the evening. The following events will be pulled off tonight: Colorado Kid vs. Billy Carroll, of Chicago, a ten-round go-for-light-weight championship of the Yukon; Al Smith vs. Young Callahan, eight round go-for feather-weight championship of the Yukon; Callahan was the 120-pound champion of the Seattle Athletic Club; Smith of the Manhattan Club, San Francisco; Billy Burns vs. Sexton, four rounds; Billy Hadden vs. Wm. Forrest, four rounds; Paddy Ryan vs. C. Sinclair, four rounds; Swanson the Great vs. Silas Archer, the colored strangler, wrestling; Sink Swanson vs. Jack Merritt; Gene Rife vs. Billy Long; Krelling vs. Jack Devine; Ben Treneman, exhibition club swinging; Chas. Carroll, exhibition pug punching; Prof. Anderson and Prof. Kimball in broadsword fencing. Admission \$2, reserved seats \$3.

Bryanism.

Editor Daily Nugget: B—Bankruptcy. R—Reputation. Y—Yellow Americanism. A—Aguinaldoism. N—National dishonor. I—Ivanition. S—Silverism. M—Maladministration. B—bankruptcy of the nation if Bryan is placed at the head of her affairs with his Populistic ideas. R—reputation of all the sacred principles for which our fathers fought and which has been the life blood of the nation since that spirit first asserted itself at the time of the Boston tea party. Y—yellow Americanism because it would mean to the nation all that it should not be, and which conditions and circumstances do not warrant. A—aguinaldoism because the election of Bryan would be an insult to every man who fought to suppress Aguinaldo and his followers. N—national dishonor for the reason that elevation of Bryan with his radical views to the presidency would ruin the standing of the nation with other powers. I—ivanition for the reason that change of the present solid policy of the administration would be a senseless and inexcusable national act. S—silverism because Bryan would attempt to foist upon the nation a measure that was condemned by the people four years ago, since which time it has been a dead issue. M—maladministration for the lone reason that any man with the following Bryan would have from which he would be forced to select his cabinet, the anarchists he would be compelled to recognize by appointment to office, would handicap him, even if he were many times over the brainy man his boosters would make us believe him to be.

NEW YORKER.

Special Power of Attorney forms for sale at the Nugget office.

TO COLLECT SMALL DEBTS

An Ordinance Now Being Passed to That End.

Has Been Read Twice and Will Come Up on Final Reading Tonight—Protection of Game.

An ordinance to confer limited civil jurisdiction upon justices of the peace has been passed to its second reading by the commissioner in council, which is known as the small debt ordinance. It provides for the collection of debts not exceeding \$300, and is a very lengthy and minutely detailed affair of 61 sections.

An act recently passed by parliament authorizing this enactment of legislation by the Yukon council looking to the further protection of game in the Yukon territory. This legislation may be wholly independent of, and aside from anything contained in the laws of the Northwest territories.

The act at present in force provides that:

5. Except as hereinafter provided, the following beasts and birds shall not be hunted, taken, killed, shot at, wounded, injured, or molested in any way during the following times of year respectively: (a) Musk oxen, between the 20th day of March and the 15th day of October.

(b) Elk or wapiti, moose, caribou, deer, mountain sheep and mountain goats, between the 1st day of April and the 15th day of July, and between the 1st day of October and the 1st day of December.

(c) Minks, fishers and martens, between the 15th day of March and the 1st day of November.

(d) Otters and beavers, between the 15th day of May and the 1st day of October.

(e) Musk rats, between the 15th day of May and the 1st day of October.

(f) Grouse, partridge, pheasants, and prairie chickens, between the 1st day of January and the 1st day of September.

(g) Wild swans, wild ducks and wild geese, between the 15th day of January and the 1st day of September.

7. Except as hereinafter provided, no eggs in the nests of any of the birds above mentioned, or in the nests of any other species of wild fowl shall be taken, destroyed, injured, or molested at any time of the year.

8. Notwithstanding anything in sections 4, 5, 6 and 7 of this act, the beasts and birds mentioned in those sections may be lawfully hunted, taken or killed, and eggs of any of the birds or other wild fowls so mentioned may be lawfully taken.

(a) By Indians who are inhabitants of the country to which this act applies, and by other inhabitants of the said country. But this exception does not apply to buffalo, bison or musk oxen during the close season for these beasts.

(b) By explorers, surveyors or travelers, who are engaged in any exploration, survey or other examination of the country and are in actual need of the beasts, birds or eggs for food.

(c) By any person who has a permit to do so, granted under the subsequent provision of this act.

9. None of the contrivances for taking or killing wild fowl, known as batteries, swivel guns or sunken punts, shall be used at any time of the year, to take, destroy, or kill any of the birds mentioned in this act, or any other species of wild fowl.

10. None of the beasts and birds mentioned in this act shall be taken or killed at any time of the year by the use of poison or poisonous substances.

11. No dogs shall be used at any time of year for hunting, taking, mauling, killing, injuring or in any way molesting musk oxen, buffalo or bison, or during the close season any of the other beasts, or any of the birds mentioned in this act.

12. No one shall enter into any contract or agreement with or employ any Indian or other person, whether such Indian or person is an inhabitant of the country to which this act applies, to hunt, kill, or take, contrary to the provisions of this act, any of the beasts or birds mentioned in this act, or to take contrary to such provisions any eggs.

The general feeling concerning the protection of game in the Yukon territory is that the principal matter to come within the scope of the proposed legislation is, that such laws as are enacted should look especially to the prevention of the indiscriminate slaughter of moose and caribou, and it is pointed out by many that unless something of the kind is put into effect soon these animals will be in danger of extinction, except in remote parts of the territory.

The matter was referred to Justice Dugas, and will doubtless soon make its reappearance in the form of an ordinance.

Owing to the fact that yesterday was All Saints' day there was no meeting of the council last evening, the regular weekly meeting having been postponed till tonight.

To Care for the Homeless.

The women of Dawson are earnestly requested to meet at the Presbyterian church Monday afternoon, Nov. 5, at 10 o'clock for the purpose of devising ways and means of providing for the homeless women in our midst.

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Editor Nugget:

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