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KLONDIKE NUGGET.

THE RECENT ORDER.

It is to be greatly deplored that the government at Ottawa should have made such a glaring error as is now feared has been made in connection with the Klondike water grant to Treadgold and his associates. On the first casual reading of the order as pulished in full in the Nugget of July 18th there is little to be seen of an objectionable nature, but closely studied, many objectionable features come to light and prominent among them is the whole of section 10 of the order which reads as follows:

"The right subject to no payment except the royalty prescribed upon output, to enter upon, make entry for and work all mining locations now or hereafter abandoned on Bonanza, Bear and Hunker creeks and their tributaries."

The above section cannot be construed to mean other than that it embraces all land on the creeks mentioned and their tributaries that has or may hereafter be abandoned, and taken literally it embraces everything in the prescribed territory in the way of quartz that may be discovered in the future.

If the order is rightly interpreted the time for the most vigorous protest by the people, every official and private citizen of whatsoever country, in the history of the Yukon is in order and the Nugget believes it will be made and made in a manner that will forbid any misconstruction of its motive.

It is expected that the intended interpretation of the full order, and especially of section 10 will be received from Ottawa within a week or ten days, and if it is as believed from the wording of the order it will be, then will the time be ripe for a protest that Ottawa can not ignore.

THE TWO FLAGS.

While our esteemed but narrow-minded friends on the other side of the line were engaged in their favorite pastime of pulling down British flags wherever one could be seen, the commissioner of the Yukon teritory was setting an example of tolerance which we are afraid will be entirely wasted. A dispatch from Dawson City says: "An extraordinary feature was the compliance of Governor Ross with a petition from American residents to declare the day a public holiday. Inasmuch as this is Canadian territory, the declaration of a public holiday by a Canadian governor was exceptional. Public offices did not all close, but many did, and Canadians as well as Americans celebrated. The population of the camp is two-thirds American." The occurrence was not extraordinary at all. There was a time when the Fourth was celebrated in Victoria quite heartily. British people like to rejoice with all who are rejoicing when there is any sort of excuse for it. But our ardor has been somewhat dampened by the intolerance with which we are becoming so familiar. Very young nations, like very young people, are inclined to gush, and the Yankee adoration of the flag and jealousy of its honor are a trifle ridiculous to those who possess an emblem of established reputation. The hysterically loyal individual at Buffalo who removed British flags because they destroyed the artistic effect of a pavilion has been compelled to undo his work. He has discovered that it was all a mistake. A frothy gentleman of the same calibre at Unalaska was seized with a spasm on the 4th of July at the sight of a British flag on a British ship. He also was possessed of some authority, and notwithstanding that the offensive decoration had been put up in honor of the day which was being celebrated with the usual din, the captain was ordered to haul down his flag on pain of imprisonment. After the honor of Old Glory had been thus vindicated, the offending mariner laid his case before the captain of a United States man-of-war which happened to be in port and he "seen his duty and done it." The Union Jack made its appearance at the masthead of the American gunboat and guns began to boom forth a national salute. Probably by this time a ray of intelligence in regard to his duties has begun to penetrate to the brain of that United States official and he realizes that it is permissible even in an American port for a British ship to fly the British flag. Commissioner Whipple might as well have come to Victoria and ordered the flag to be removed which never appears on the flagstaff at the parliament buildings. These goings-on are all the fruits of ignorance. Men appointed to responsible positions should be instructed in ordinary international courtesies. Sensible people merely laugh at such idiosycrancies, but serious trouble has been precipitated out of even such things. — Victoria Times.

While the matter is an extremely delicate one we feel it our duty, in view of the statement made in the published prospectas of the Daily Sun relative to the high moral tone—the family journal air—that would cling like the aroma of orange blossoms to that publication, to suggest to our neighbor that it eliminate Vassar bathing stories from future Sunday issues. This suggestion is made not only in a spirit of friendship but as a Christian duty.

Caused Gossip.

London, July 23.—Much gossip in American and English society has been caused by the presentation to King Edward yesterday by some American ladies of the hospital ship Maine committee of a medal commemorative of the Maine's work, with a request that the king transmit the medal to Queen Alexandria. It seems that the idea was opposed by a number of influential members of the committee on the ground that the king did not want the medal, but the others carried the day.

The king's reply to the delegation which made the presentation is causing some comment, as he thanked "this American committee" for their "loyal, dutiful sentiments," as he did the Kansas legislature in answering their telegrams of condolence on the queen's death, and he also thanked the committee for bringing their valuable service to a culmination by presenting the ship to the government, whereas this was done by Bernard M. Baker, of Baltimore.

Was Not Poor.

London, July 23.—Although reputed to be poor, the will of Hon. Eric Lascelles, who was found dead in a show wagon at Chelfenham on June 27, proved today by the Earl of Desart (husband of the Countess Desart, who was half sister to Lascelles), shows that Lascelles left an estate value at £37,000.

Must Fight Alone.

Capetown, July 23.—It is reported that Gen. Delarey has informed the Klerksdorp commando that there is no longer any chance of European intervention, and that they must fight the war out to the bitter end entirely on their own account.

Any kind of wine $5 per bottle at the Regina Club hotel.

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STROLLER'S COLUMN.

While W. D. Bruce, the popular fire insurance agent, is not much addicted to telling stories he tells a very good one in which Tax Assessor and Collector B. W. Smith and a Winnipeg sheeney constituted the cast of the play. It seems that being tax assessor in Dawson is not Ward Smith's first offence, as for 18 long years he held the same office in the city of Winnipeg. One day he was out on official business, probably as unwelcome a visitor as he is here, when he stopped in front of a second-hand store conducted by a son of Abraham. It was a sickly looking store, ony a few worn-out clothes being in sight. When Ward stopped at the door he sized up the interior and was debating in his mind as to whether or not he might as well pass on and leave the place unlisted,

when the proprietor who had just completed the sale of an old overcoat for "halluf" a dollar, approached him and said:

"Vat can I done for you alretty?

"I was just sizing up your stock," said Ward in a meek and lowly tone of voice as became a wily tax assessor whose heart is supposed to be as hard as a petrified potato, "and I estimate that your stock is worth from $200 to $300."

"Vat!" said the son of Abraham, "Dot stock vorth only $200 or $300! You see dot shelluf dere. Vy, mine cracious, mine frent, on dot shelluf alone dere ish $500 vorth ov goots, an' under der gounter dere ish $300 vorth more goots, and mine frent, in dot cellar (there was not a cellar within two miles of the place) ish von tousant tollars vort of goots, vile in dot back yart ish anodder tousant tollars vorth in boxes. I haf tree tousand tollars vorth ov goots here if I haf anytings. But vy you vant to know?"

"I am the assessor," said Ward.

"Der vat?" said Abraham.

"I am assessing property to find out the amount of taxes each person will have to pay," said the complacent Ward.

"Ach, mine got!" said the sheeney wringing his hands. "I vas von liar. I only half goots vorth $150 unt gif me dot unt dake der store. I was only lying to you begause I belief you vas von insurance man."

"Your own statement of $3000 goes," said Ward as he noted down the amount in his book.

The Hebrew merchant fell down and died and, fearing he would be hauled up on a charge of murder, Ward Smith came to Dawson.

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A few days ago a big Swede called on Manager Fulda at the A. B. store and pulled out of his pocket a few chunks of crystalized quartz which he wanted the A. B. assayer to examine. Mr. Fulda knew they were of no value but to humor the fellow he took the specimens and said he would turn them over to the assayer. The rocks were left on the manager's desk and all thought of them passed out of his mind until two days later when he noticed the same big Norseman hanging around the store. Still he thought nothing of the matter until finally the Swede butted into Fulda's presence and blurted out:

"Don't you tank you kape my yewels long enough?"

"I don't know what you mean," said Fulda.

"Ae mean Ae want my yewels," said Ole.

Then Fulda tumbled that the fellow was referring to the crystalized quartz as jewels, and to make him feel good bragged on the stuff and requested that he be allowed to keep a piece of it as a sample.

"How much you give?" said the Norseman, and Fulda in an irritated tone, thinking he had jollied sufficiently long, said:

"Why, I should think you ought to have about $500 for one of those pieces."

"Ae knew all along dose yewels were waluable an' now Ae not sold em in das country, but take dem outside an' got dere full walue."

And pocketing his worthless crystalized quartz, the Swede marched out with the air of a Bonanza King.

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"Well, how are you stacking up?" said the man to the manor born to the renegade as they met in Butler's Pioneer one evening this week and stood back and looked dry while a crowd of jolly good fellows of all nationalities were punishing Segram and smoking long cigars. The man to whom the question was addressed heaved a sigh as long as a baseball bat and said:

"I recken I am the biggest fool on top of ground. For upwards of nine months, and ever since I invested $5 in citizenship I have been hanging around with my mouth open expecting a plum to drop into it, but none have dropped and none ain't going to drop. This town is going to be incorporated one of these days but that won't do me any good for the reason that the people have no confidence in me. In fact, a Canuck told me the other day he had no use for a man who would make a commodity of his allegiance for temporary purposes But this is not the worst of it. I am an old friend to Seattle's new chief of police and yesterday I got a letter from him telling me there is a job awaiting me on the force if I go out. But if I went I would be an alien in my native land and as I only came here to stay two or three years they might throw me in the bay for being so vaccillating. I noticed a lot of beer kegs in front of the Standard; let's go up and see if we can drain out enough to irrigate our whistles."

And they went, but on reaching the Standard found that the remnant of the Boosters' union had preceded them with the result that every keg was as dry as they were themselves.

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