

# UNWORTHY JOURNALISM.

## By Misrepresentation and Deception the Dawson News Betrays the Confidence of George O'Brien and Publicly Boasts of Its Perfidy— Could O'Brien Do It?

*Dawson Jail, August 15, 1901.*  
A. F. George,  
Of the News Reportorial Staff:

Please deliver to Eugene C. Stahl all papers of whatsoever nature belonging to and concerning me which were turned over to you by myself and by Mr. Blecker, my former attorney. Signed

**GEORGE O'BRIEN.**

The foregoing order, written by E. C. Stahl, of the Nugget reportorial staff, was first carefully read to Geo. O'Brien in the presence of Sergeant Tweedy and the guard and signed by O'Brien in the presence of the officers mentioned and the reporter, all three of whom would, if necessary, swear to have witnessed the affixing of O'Brien's signature, done in a cramped hand as he, fettered with chains, lay prone upon the floor of his cell.

The order was written at the instigation of O'Brien who brought up the question regarding his papers immediately after the reporter entered his cell.

"You must get my papers," said O'Brien, and on being told that they could not be obtained without an order said, "I will give you an order; write it and I will sign it. I want you to have my papers."

The order was written as above described and signed by O'Brien in the presence of the three parties mentioned.

Today the order was presented to the News reporter on whom it was issued, also on the editor of that paper, but both reporter and editor positively refused to honor it, giving as an excuse

### DAWSON'S FIRE PROTECTION

Appliances are in Excellent Condition for Winter.

Comfortable Quarters for Men Being Arranged—Horses Are Perfectly Trained—Seventeen Firemen.

Chief Stewart of the fire department has had several interviews with Commissioner Ross since his return, but has made very few recommendations on behalf of his department and none for more expensive appliances for fighting fire. That the chief was on his honeymoon while away may have something to do with it. Still he has projected certain improvements for the winter and has already men at work to carry them out.

Men started yesterday digging out a cellar under fire hall No. 1, for the placing therein of a hot air furnace to heat the whole building. In a few days or so as soon as the lumber can be hauled, other workmen will be employed to put another story on the structure, so that the firemen will have comfortable quarters and be practically on hand all the time.

Fire hall No. 2 is to have an outside sheathing to make it snug for the men this winter. It was intended to tear it down and build a new and commodious hall, but it was felt that it could not now be completed in time for service so yesterday it was determined to postpone this until the early spring.

These are all the preparations for the winter that are now projected. The force of 17 men is held to be sufficient, and the pumps and other apparatus is in first-class order and believed to be capable of meeting every possible emergency. Speaking of his trip below the chief said yesterday:

"I had the good fortune to be at three fires while on my trip. I was chatting with the chief at Vancouver when an alarm was turned on. All I can say about my observations is that we can get out quicker than they can. Just watch those horses." The chief touched the gong and immediately the two well bred horses hurried to their places and the harness

that they did not know if it was O'Brien's order or not, and further that the papers in question being personal property, O'Brien could not dictate as to their disposition after having once disposed of them.

Technically, the News may be right and if it, after betraying the confidence of a man chained in a murderer's cell, now refuses to right its wrong to that man when he stands, as it were, at the very portals of hell, it can do so. But it would not dare do so under circumstances different from the present.

The poor, trembling victim of the News' deception and misrepresentation has now less than one week to live and yet the News, lost to all sense of honor, boasts in its columns that it has O'Brien's papers and will keep them.

It can do so for the reason that O'Brien, being a condemned prisoner, has forfeited his inherent right to redress at law.

Murderer that he is, would George O'Brien act toward a fellow creature as the News is acting toward him?

Between O'Brien and the News it is the latter which stands most in need of spiritual advice.

fell upon them. It was certainly an exhibition of excellent training.

"What do you think of Mr. Mizner's plan for protecting these two blocks from fire, chief?"

"I think it is a very good scheme in every way, and will do much to protect the whole city."

### KENNEDY AND MARSH

Will Wrester in Private for Side Bet of \$1,000.

Frank Kennedy, the wrestler who defeated Vincent White so effectively night before last at the Orpheum and afterward made a spiel to the audience concerning his prowess, is making his talk good. Yesterday afternoon he and Ole Marsh met in a first avenue saloon and signed articles for a match to take place in private within a reasonable length of time after the McLaughlin-Marsh bout tonight. Each man put up \$250 forfeit money and the balance of the stake, \$750, will be deposited on or before the day of the match. The bout will be for one pin fall, catch-as-catch-can, Police Gazette rules to govern. The conditions of the agreement are that the match shall take place in private before no more than 20 persons exclusive of the seconds, referee, timekeeper and members of the press. Each principal may invite ten friends and no more. Unless Marsh should meet with an accident in his go tonight with McLaughlin the match with Kennedy will be pulled off on September 4, the place to be decided upon later. The men have agreed upon Charles Krelling to act as referee.

### Cut Rates.

With the departure of the Nora tomorrow evening a reduction in passenger rates will be made on the boats of the Klondike Corporation. First-class fare to Whitehorse, \$45; second-class, \$30. Skagway, first-class, \$60; second-class, \$50. Seattle, Victoria and Vancouver, first-class, \$90; second-class, \$65. Travel by the line that always get there. Table and accommodations unsurpassed.

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### DAWSON HOMES.

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entrance hall in which will be a large open fireplace. To the right of the hall is a library with ornamental stationary shelves. All the rooms on the first floor are so arranged that by means of sliding doors they can be thrown into one. A frost proof basement extends under a portion of the house and heat is to be supplied by means of a hot air furnace. A gambrel roof, shingled, and a veranda supported by turned, ornamental columns will greatly add to its attractiveness. The estimated cost is \$70,000.

Tom Kirkpatrick's residence on the corner of Third street and Fourth avenue is another palatial dwelling. It contains eight rooms, is two stories and cost \$8000.

H. E. Ridley has recently built a commodious residence on Harper street between Fifth and Sixth avenues. It is two stories in height, contains eight rooms and cost \$5000.

Charles McDonald, clerk of the territorial court, has built a handsome and comfortable two-story home on Eighth avenue near Mission street. It has seven rooms and represents an expenditure of \$4000.

Henry Macaulay is just beginning what will be when completed one of the prettiest residences in the city. It is located on First street and Seventh avenue, is to be two stories high and will cost \$6000.

Directly opposite Mr. Macaulay's site Wm. Walsh is erecting a four room cottage costing \$2500.

Contractor Davis is putting up a handsome home on the corner of Fourth street and Fourth avenue. It is two stories and represents an outlay of \$3000.

H. D. Hulme is another who rejoices in the possession of a modern domicile. It is on Mission street near Seventh avenue, is two stories, has eight rooms and cost \$3000.

George Craig, one of the court stenographers, has one of the most pleasant cottages in the city. It is on Eighth avenue below Mission street and cost \$2000.

Messrs. W. V. Tukey and Edward Orr are building twin cottages adjoining each other for the accommodation of their families. They are located on Harper street near Sixth avenue, have four rooms and are costing \$2000 each.

Dr. Wharton's cottage on Fourth street near Third avenue was built early in the season and cost \$1500.

The foregoing is but a partial list of the dwellings which have been erected this summer, but will show that Dawson is fast becoming a city of homes as well as a repository of golden nuggets.

**Repeated by Request.**  
By request "Wiegand's Mass" in F, which was sung at St. Mary's church during the visit of Archbishop Langevin, will be repeated on Sunday, the 25th of this month. This is the most beautiful piece ever sung in Dawson and all lovers of high class music will be glad of the opportunity to hear it again.

### COMING AND GOING.

Mrs. and Miss Tache left for their Whitehorse home Wednesday night.

D. C. Brownell, the hardware merchant of Skagway, came in yesterday on a business trip.

Word has recently been received from Major Wood to the effect that the health of Mrs. Wood is much improved.

Miss Mary Case will, assisted by the best local talent, will give a concert at the Presbyterian church at the Forks Monday night, Aug. 19.

C. F. Quigley, the well-known piano virtuoso, is building several cabinets of sawed logs. They are located on Third avenue between Fifth and Sixth.

R. W. Calderhead has dispatched Mr. Field to California where he will purchase 25 tons of potatoes and 60 cases of eggs to supply the Dawson market.

The N. W. M. P. post at Grand Forks has been torn down and is to be replaced by a handsome frame structure. Work on the building is progressing rapidly.

Mrs. T. C. Healy's little daughter Tottie who was taken outside on account of poor health has been failing very rapidly since her arrival in Seattle and at last reports was expected to live only a short time.

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### TUMBLE IN RATES

Cutting Has Been Inaugurated on Dawson-Whitehorse Route.

Passengers rates for the outside via the up-river boats have started tumbling and it is difficult to foresee where it will end. The White Pass people have maintained throughout the season a rate of \$80 to Whitehorse and \$125 to Seattle, Victoria and Vancouver, and the opposition lines which have cut into their business to a very appreciable extent with lower rates have been a sort of thorn in the flesh of their larger competitor. Today it is announced that with the departure of the Victorian, which will leave tomorrow night, a new passenger schedule will go into effect, giving a considerable reduction of \$20. The first-class fare to Whitehorse will be \$60; second-class, \$40. To Skagway, first-class, \$75; second-class, \$50. To Seattle, Victoria and Vancouver, first-class, \$105; second-class, \$75.

Manager Calderhead, of the Orinda-Flora-Nora line, is meeting the cut and going them one better. The Nora is advertised to leave tomorrow also and tickets are now being sold to Whitehorse for \$45 and \$30; to Skagway \$60 and \$50 and to British Columbia and Puget Sound points for \$90 and \$65. Local rates have also been greatly reduced.

Agent Mortimer, representing the Clifford Sifton and Prospector, is the last to enter the arena with his little hatchet, and announces he will meet all cuts made by other lines. The Sifton is due to arrive Saturday and will leave again Sunday evening. The fare on the Sifton to Whitehorse will be \$45 first-class and \$30 second.

The war is on and there is but little chance of rates being restored to their former figures this season; in fact, the probabilities are they will go even lower.

### Reduced Rates.

Those contemplating a trip to the outside should wait for the Clifford Sifton which sails Sunday afternoon to Whitehorse at reduced rates. First-class, \$45; second-class \$30. The Sifton is too well known to the traveling public to require any further recommendation. The staterooms are large and comfortable and the table service cannot be excelled. Wait for the Sifton and travel in comfort and security.

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