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THE FRATERNITY TEMPLE BENEFIT.

An Evening of Splendid Entertainment at the Monte Carlo.

The Benefit was a Social and Financial Success—Funds Raised to Complete the Building.

Thanksgiving eve was the occasion of a round of gaities in Dawson. There was amusement of some kind for everyone and nearly everybody in town availed themselves of the opportunity. The grand benefit given by the fraternal orders for the purpose of securing funds for the completion of Fraternity Temple, was one of the greatest successes of the season. The cosy and comfortable Monte Carlo theatre had been denoted for the occasion and the management extended every assistance possible to add to the enjoyment of those who attended.

The secret orders which are represented in Dawson and which participated in the preparations for the benefit are as follows: Masons, Odd Fellows, Knights Pythias, B. E. O. Elks, Woodmen of the World, Red Men and A. O. U. W.

The committees which outlined and carried out the work were made up of the following gentlemen:

Executive committee: Masonic—Col. O. V. Davis, W. H. Bard, W. M. Wilson, E. H. Langley, John Gillson, Odd Fellows—Dr. Snyder, N. A. Soggs, Knights of Pythias—Dr. George E. Meriman, Jack Patterson, B. P. O. Elks—Captain Jack Crawford, George Noble, A. O. U. W.—Captain A. Starnes, Wm. Cunningham, Woodmen of the World—R. C. Perkins, C. W. Watts, Red Men—Lloyd Botts, James Maher. Finance committee—W. H. Snyder, Captain A. Starnes, Dr. Merryman, Lloyd Botts, R. E. Perkins, Gus Seifert. Entertainment committee—W. M. Wilson, W. H. Bard, John Gillson, Theo. Eggart, F. Howard.

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The committee men worked early and late and at great sacrifice to contribute toward the success of the entertainment. On Wednesday afternoon a grand parade, participated in by members of all the orders, took place and added much to the public interest in the affair. Capt. Jack Crawford had been selected to act as grand marshal of the parade but owing to a sudden illness the Captain was unable to attend. In his absence Mr. W. H. Bard was asked to take charge of the parade and officiated in a most acceptable manner. He was assisted by Jim Donaldson who acted in the capacity of aide. The procession numbering nearly 600 men formed in front of the A. C. Co.'s store. Nearly all who were in line are members of the various orders and beautiful silk badges decorated the laps of their coats. Banners were carried in profusion and added much to the effect of the scene. The band which had been engaged for the occasion was unable to play owing to the intense cold. The line of march was taken up First Avenue to the barracks and from there a counter-march was made down to the original place of formation.

Meanwhile, under the magic touch of artists and decorators the Monte Carlo was being transformed into a veritable little palace. The patriotic spirit was strongly in evidence, festoons of bunting and flags being the most prominent features of the decorations. The Star Spangled Banner and the Union Jack were intertwined most effectively and appropriately for it would be hard to know whether there was a larger proportion of American or British in the audience.

Every seat was sold and occupied long before the curtain rose for the first number of the program. The boxes gaily arrayed and decorated were all filled. No. 1 of the right tier was reserved for the government officials; No. 2 for the Monte Carlo; No. 3 for Mr. Wm. Chappell; No. 4 for the Alaska Exploration Co.; No. 5 Drs. Merryman, Gilson and McFarren. No. 1 on the left tier was occupied by representatives of the Aurora; No. 2 by the A. C. Co. No. 3 by the N. A. T. Co.; No. 4 by the Northern Club; No. 5 by Mr. Wm. Wilson and wife, Mr. J. Jordan and wife, Timber Agent Willson and wife, Mr. Wm. Bard, the Misses Gussie and Nina Sanders.

The program had been carefully arranged and was participated in by the best local talent both professional and amateur.

Col. O. V. Davis, as chairman of the evening, opened with a short but well-phrased and pleasing address.

Fred Breen was at his best and his turn contributed largely to the entertainment of the audience.

The Esteps, John and Annie, put forth their best efforts and scored a hit.

George Noble never sang with more feeling and in consequence was rewarded with long and repeated applause.

The Newman children were as usual a feature

of the entertainment. Little Margie, in particular, quickly won the hearts of the large audience and in response to enthusiastic and repeated recalls sang "Annie Laurie" and charmed the Highland Fling.

Miss Grace Robinson, in the costume of a messenger boy, sang "The Railway Guide" very effectively. She responded to an encore.

Miss Lillian Katherine Malcolm proved herself an elocutionist of superior merit. Her rendition of "The Progress of Madness" held the audience with the most intense interest. Her efforts showed the effect of long and careful training and the demonstration at the close of her part developed clearly that she had touched the sympathies of her audience.

Herbert Robertson was in good voice and pleased his listeners.

Mrs. W. M. Wilson recited, with much pleasure to all who heard.

Fred Tracy's splendid voice filled the hall and made him a favorite.

Caprice was not allowed to leave the stage until she had responded to repeated encores.

Mrs. Adeline Pusey Barlow, favored the audience with a beautiful operatic selection. Her rich, highly cultivated voice has a depth of feeling not often found and her effort was thoroughly appreciated.

Mrs. B. F. Miller contributed largely to the entertainment of the audience.

Miss Cad Wilson was announced and received a demonstration. Four recalls proved conclusively that she is a talented performer and a genuine favorite.

Mulligan and Linton added another to their long list of popular hits.

Messrs. Brown and Black are a clever pair and entered thoroughly into the spirit of the occasion.

Corporal Conway, though suffering from a severe cold, responded to a call for a song.

Miss Ross, of Boston, a pleasing elocutionist, recited.

Though the program lasted until midnight no lack of interest was shown and at the close the general feeling prevailed that a first-class entertainment had been given.

Goes Out With Gold and Coal.

Dr. A. J. Terwagne, A. J. Mangold and a party of several others will leave Dawson for the outside on December 5th. The doctor is a pleasant little Frenchman from Paris, and beside representing the *Figaro*, a paper in France very like the *Times* in England, also represents considerable French capital and all summer has been securing claims and interests in claims until he now has one hundred. He and Mr. A. J. Mangold will return in the spring.

What will probably prove in the end as valuable as the claims to his company is an accession of 2,500 acres of coal on twelve-mile creek, below Dawson. Under the management of Mr. Thibaudou the coal has been uncovered, breasted and exposed in a variety of ways and proves to be of good quality and from four to six feet in thickness. Mr. Thibaudou is left in charge and will immediately proceed to survey and build a tramway from the vein to the Yukon. The right-of-way has also been secured as far as Dawson.

Reasons for Being Thankful.

Thanksgiving has passed. Was it only a feast day? Did we satisfy only the inner man with savory viands? Did no grateful emotions bestir within us that our lines had fallen in as pleasant places as they had? For even though many have been trial burdened during the past year, have been homesick, heartsick when overtaken along the trail with the heavy, irksome tasks pertaining to it, yet surely each one has something to be thankful for.

In this cosmopolitan mining camp of Dawson city are gathered all nationalities, but Thanksgiving day has a peculiar meaning. Was not its origin in the old Puritanical days back in New England? Do not thoughts of our forefathers kindly awe the fire of patriotism in every American heart? And yet other nations, in their time honored custom of an annual thanksgiving, may just as truly and appropriately give thanks for a plentiful harvest. All people, under all conditions of life, may be thankful for the good things of which each one partakes to some extent. Some little pleasure is enjoyed by everyone. And though gratitude to God should be our daily duty, or pleasure, yet it is quite apropos that one day of the year is set aside for special thanksgiving, only we should have a care that that day should not fall in its special function, and be wholly given over to physical pleasure. What is that Owen Meredith says in the poem of Lucile about man living without love or books, but not without dining?

We know the latter is true but should we starve the soul? Nay, the three kinds of life—physical, mental and spiritual, appeal to us for attention, and each in its turn should have due consideration.

"Thanksgiving Day" and "Home" are inseparable. Each of us must have had tender thoughts of the dear old home and the loving inmates—indeed, memories surged over us un-

til not only were our hearts and minds full but even our eyes overflowed with the sweet pathos of homesickness. A picture of home with the dear father and mother and other loving ones were in many minds last Thursday—perhaps everyone was stirred with thoughts of the loving ones left behind, and the hopes to be reunited ere another Thanksgiving Day comes.

LULU ALICE CRAIG.

Proceeds of the Benefit.

It took a long while to get the full returns of the Fireman's benefit entertainment at the Monte Carlo two weeks ago. Returns for tickets sold had to be gathered in from various sources but at last everything is complete, and now the gross proceeds are given for publication. The total returns of the affair are \$1001, with the total expenses less than \$50.

PERSONALS.

Wm. Bard, of No. 60 below on Bonanza, spent Thanksgiving in Dawson.

C. M. Woodworth, the well-known attorney, is rapidly improving in health.

Captain Jack Crawford is reported to be laid up very sick in his cabin.

Wm. Russell, who has a number of Hunker interests, took Thanksgiving dinner in Dawson with his partner, Mr. Nobles.

Chas. W. H. Schultz has left by dog team for the outside. He intends returning as soon as he can perfect arrangements.

E. Leroy Pelletier, of the Mine Exchange, has been spending considerable time on Dominion where he owns a number of interests.

Richard A. Davenport, of No. 21 above upper discovery on Dominion, was in town recently. He reports things coming his way on the creek.

A box reserved for the government officials at the Monte Carlo last Thursday night was occupied by Gov. Ogilvie, Gold Commissioner Thos. Fawcett, Capt. Harper, Col. Steele, Capt. Starnes, Judge Dugas, Capt. Scarth.

LOCAL BRIEVITIES.

The Tramp Shriners and 321 degree Masons are to hold another banquet on December 3d.

L. G. Garfinkle, of the North West Trading company, is improving rapidly in health, and the credit is due to the motherly care of Mrs. Rfid.

J. D. Milligan, of San Francisco, is lying dead on No. 19 Hunker creek, and will be brought to town for burial when snow makes the trail better.

Attorney C. M. Woodworth is out, and will soon be knee deep in business again. The supposed typhoid fever turned out to be malaria, and the gentleman was up and out before the expected crisis.

Thursday evening next will witness a sparring contest for points between the Black Prince and Kid Williams. Anyone who knows the two men knows that an interesting set-to will be the result. Both are working hard to be in their best trim for this important event.

Mr. Jake King leaves with letters and express matter for the outside on December 15th, and will leave Seattle on the return trip about February 20th. Jake is a well known hustler, and many will entrust their outside business in his care. Louis Allenberg will accompany him.

Dr. Merryman was called by phone on Wednesday morning to the Stanley claim, No. 26 Eldorado. He found Jack Stanley suffering from a severe attack of scurvy sore mouth. The doctor treated his patient with his usual skill and expects to find him much improved on his next visit.

At the great Paris exposition, to occur in 1900, there is to be a Klondike department devoted wholly and solely to this region, its products and its peculiarities. Where is no land where such an exhibit will do more good for in no considerable country whose newspapers penetrate to Dawson is there so much misunderstanding of this great land as in that same France.

POLICE COURT ITEMS.

The past three days have been slack.

J. A. Wilson paid \$300 and costs as an inducement to take out a license.

Elizabeth Marbach is out \$50 and costs and yet did not get a license.

Charles Verzel dug up \$200 and costs as a temporary equivalent of a license.

May Parks was assessed \$50 and costs for dispensing drinks without authority.

Fred Wilson, a banker behind a green covered table, paid the percentage of \$50 and costs.

Sale, Vaglio & Bogarello contributed \$50 and costs, but only a license will save them next time.

Maud East lacked the necessary permit to sell liquors and squared herself by a donation of \$100 and costs.

E. J. Hisecock, a gentleman who does not play solitaire with the cards, helps along the good cause with \$50 and costs.

W. Burgheldt contributes \$50 and costs and may gamble in peace until the constitutional plate passes his way once more.

Thomas Fagin bridled not his mouth after liquor had stolen his reason. \$25 and costs makes the whole world kin.

M. Kennedy got full of the "elegant" and did not comport himself as a gentleman. \$25 and costs and the offense passes into history.

Annie Davis hadn't the necessary parchment to warrant her in handling liquid madness but \$50 and costs cleared her name from the docket.

J. R. Souffart did penance to the tune of \$50 and costs and now sits at the head of the table abashed of the sin of omission; he had forgotten his license.

L. A. Little works with his hands and a few little pieces of pasteboard. This is debarred by the rules of the police book of etiquette; hence a fine of \$50 and costs.

L. H. Russell—not the actress—was peremptorily directed to pay Patrick Burns his back wages of \$14, and also to defray the expenses of this method of collection.

J. Galbraith serves at the shrine of dame fortune. The police code does not recognize it as a legitimate profession. A fine of \$50 and costs and all is well with Galbraith until next time.

M. H. Jones invoked the powers of the court to collect wages which he had himself been unable to collect from Thomas Lee. It took the court but a few moments to collect \$54 wages and the costs of the proceedings.

There is a fine line of patent medicines at the Pioneer Drug Store. E. Short, prop'r, cor. Second Avenue and Second Street.

ANOTHER OLD TIMER PASSES AWAY

Harry Spencer of the Pioneer Dies of Typhoid Pneumonia.

News from the Forty-Mile District—Every Indication that the Lower Country Will Turn Out Big.

And big, whole-souled Harry Spencer is no more. On Thursday evening, when the balance of the territory was finishing a day of thanksgiving, the household of Harry Spencer and friends were plunged in sorrow by the sudden yielding up of the ghost by the popular hotel manager and genial proprietor of the Pioneer. He was sick but eight days, and died of typhoid pneumonia.

Harry Spencer is originally from Seattle and afterwards of Juneau. In the fall of 1894, with a partner, he dared the passes and started for Circle city, then the Mecca of northern gold hunters. While yet 50 miles from his destination the pair were frozen in, and hastily prepared winter quarters for themselves. In the spring he repaired to Circle, and for some time engaged in mining, etc. In 1896 he married Mrs. Gilbert, who, with her sister, was keeping a restaurant. He acquired some considerable city property, and was running a saloon at the time of the Klondike strike. At this place he formed the present partnership of Spencer, Dinmore and McPhee, and the partners have acquired considerable good mining and city property since then.

Harry was a popular, whole-souled fellow, big in stature and great in heart, to whom can be traced many an act of charitable kindness. Having spent many years of his life engaged in the hard work of mining, his sympathies never wavered from the companions of his youth and his place was always the resort of the horny-handed sons of toil.

He leaves behind a host of warm friends, and his funeral will be the most notable yet in Dawson. He was a member of the order of Pioneers and one of the three Dawson fire commissioners. The funeral takes place on Sunday, under the auspices of the Pioneers and the funeral procession will be supplemented by the fire department and possibly by detachments of the police and military.

He was 38 years old and leaves a wife and one stepson. Many hearts will always cherish a warm place for the memory of Harry Spencer.

Grand exhibition of the Wondroscope at the Monte Carlo Sunday evening. General admission, \$1.00; Reserved seats, \$1.50; Box seats, \$2.50.

Forty-Mile Notes.

Mr. G. L. Steelsmith and party arrived in Dawson from Forty-Mile and returned with two men and himself with three dog teams laden with provisions on Wednesday. Mr. Steelsmith talks entertainingly of the lower country and has acquired some promising properties there. Forty-Mile to Dawson is about two and a half days' travel with convenient cabins built years ago at popular intervals for camps. Steelsmith thinks the Forty-Mile district has a remarkable future in store as there are 1500 people at work this winter to show up its deep diggings. Prior to this nothing but shallow bar diggings have been worked. The town has from 150 to 200 occupied cabins. Mild weather has driven many men from their shafts but he thinks Christmas and cold weather will see the district giving to the world some remarkable discoveries. Great activity is being shown upon Walker's fork, Chicken creek and their tributaries, creek being 250 men at work upon Chicken creek alone. On the North fork, Hutchinson, Confederated and Fish, with their tributaries, are showing innumerable cabins and other preparations for active work. Canyon and Moose, the principal tributaries of the main stream, have already given their discoveries to the world. Forty-Mile city is patterning after Dawson in some things. Once a week a grand dance occurs at the large saloon of Joseph Tossan, at which the three white women of the town are the reigning belles. The feminine deficiency in numbers is made up by drawing upon the supply of squaws from the neighboring mission.

Great activity is being shown at the A. C. coal mines, 13 miles below. A tram-road 1 1/2 miles in length is being built from the mines to the water's edge. The vein of coal is from four to six feet in thickness, and 17 men are engaged in digging and sucking. It is believed, from the scarcity of dry wood around Forty-Mile, that this winter will yet see coal being used there as fuel.

Don't fail to attend the Wondroscope exhibition on Sunday, night at the Monte Carlo. General admission, \$1.00; Reserved seats, \$1.50; Box seats, \$2.00.

Fire Up the Trail.

On Wednesday, about 3:35 p. m., the Bonanza hotel, situated on 61 below on Bonanza creek, went up in smoke. The day was cold and the stoves running fiercely with no large amount of water handy. About a fourth of the contents of the hotel were removed before the flames barred access and egress. Among the valuables lost by proprietor Dawley was \$3,000 in currency and \$2,500 in gold dust. A portion of the latter at least will be saved. The total loss is variously estimated at \$5,000.

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