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GREAT FIELD FOR INFORMATION.

Dawson will have the distinguished honor of entertaining a real, genuine member of parliament for the next few weeks. The member from Burrard, Mr. G. R. Maxwell, is in the city and, as will be noticed in our local columns, is seeking information as to what the Klondike country needs.

If Mr. Maxwell undertakes the various excursions over the creeks which he has laid out for himself we are of the opinion that he will be able to gain considerable information along the lines referred to.

He will ascertain the fact that the imposition of the 10 per cent royalty has practically confined the development work in the country to areas of extraordinary richness. He will find that the reservation acts have taken from out the reach of the prospector, who is the backbone of every mining country, and will ultimately place in the hands of speculators, a very large proportion of our gold-bearing ground. He will discover the fact that upon creeks which have poured millions into the Dominion treasury, and whose names are household words in every civilized community not a single foot of roadway has been constructed by the government to facilitate the transportation of machinery and supplies.

He will be apprised, to his cost, unless provided with a pass, of the fact that her majesty does not construct her own bridges in the Klondike, but prefers to farm out this little privilege for the presumed reason of allowing a few needy friends to turn an occasional penny, honest or otherwise.

In fact the knowledge which he may glean is merely limited by his own inclinations. These points are merely a few that occur to The Nugget on the moment. We may refer to others later on.

A KICK FROM EAGLE.

The Nugget is in receipt of a somewhat revolutionary article written from Eagle City. The writer apparently does not like the idea of martial law prevailing on the Yukon, and does not at all mince matters in passing his opinions concerning Colonel Ray, the commander of the American troops on the lower river. He says that Colonel Ray has turned all the country from Eagle City to the American line into a military reservation and that he arbitrarily arrested one man for squatting on a certain lot and then immediately turned around and gave it to another party. Also that in connection with this particular case Colonel Ray had made the statement that he could take ground from any man and do as he liked with it. Our correspondent goes considerably into detail over what he considers the grievances he and his fellow citizens are forced to endure, and says that he is of the opinion that the American officials have absorbed some of the talent which heretofore has seemed peculiar to the Yukon Territory.

The Klondike Miner has written its own obituary, sounded its own death knell, gathered itself within its shroud and given up the ghost. Like every unholy and iniquitous alliance that ever was consummated, the Miner-Sun combination has proven a complete fail-

ure. The Miner at one time had an opportunity to become possessed of influence and circulation, but when it endeavored to drag the government organ along in its train it committed a fatal error. The load was too heavy, and in consequence the Miner had to die. Newspapers are like men in this respect, that the fittest always survive. The demise of the Miner may be taken merely as an application of this law.

Complaints have been made to The Nugget several times as to the character of the water used in certain restaurants about the city. The use of Yukon river water for culinary purposes should be strictly prohibited and any infringement of the regulations properly punished. The typhoid fever which prevailed last summer was due in a large measure to the consumption of Yukon water. There is no necessity of a repetition of last year's epidemic, and the way to prevent it is to insist upon the use of pure water for drinking and in the preparation of all food.

Minister Sifton's coming to the Yukon is about as slow as was his "investigation" last winter. If Mr. Sifton should start into the Yukon with the intention of investigating, personally, all the causes for complaint that exist along the river he would do well to take a vacation of several years. Should that prove to be his plan, we doubt if he will be able to get to the foot of Lake Bennett during the present season.

Governor Ogilvie has actively interested himself in the construction of street and alley crossings. It is now in order for our boiler-plate contemporary, the Daily News to enlighten the public as to what political significance is attached to the governor's action in this most important matter.

The steamboat companies have been conducting a merry war for some little time. It doesn't look, from the standpoint of an outsider, as though the contest would prove a very profitable one to the companies, but at any rate the traveling public seems to be securing considerable enjoyment from it.

The Seattle Post-Intelligencer is giving a grand excursion for Seattle business men to Alaska. The excursion will take in all the points of interest along the Alaskan coast, and excursionists will enjoy a trip over the White Pass & Yukon railway to Lake Bennett.

PERSONAL MENTION.

Mr. Summerfield and daughter Anna, are now in Seattle.

O. W. Jackson expects to leave for the states in about a week.

W. J. Ritchie arrived from Rampart Saturday on the Hannah.

C. L. Hall was up from Fortymile to spend Sunday with Dawson friends.

Solly Spring, son of Abe Spring, left for his home in Seattle on Saturday.

Jack Glover left for up river points, and possibly for the outside, on Saturday.

Attorney Lisle has been confined to a private hospital by illness for several days.

Lieutenant-Colonel Evans, of the Y. F. F., came down from Fort Selkirk on Saturday.

Charles Coulambe, H. P. Prichard and H. Wabber, arrived from Circle City on Friday.

Rev. Jandreau walked to Grand Forks on Saturday and conducted services there on the Sabbath.

Mr. and Mrs. Lowenstein left on the Hannah Sunday for the outside. They may return in the spring.

John Hemen left for his home at Seattle Saturday. His return in the fall will depend upon the health of his wife.

Mrs. Smith and daughter returned to their home at Fortymile Sunday after a pleasant visit with Dawson relatives and friends.

John McDonald, of American gulch, was made happy on Saturday by the arrival from Port Blakeley, Wash., of his better half.

Captain George B. Baldwin, formerly agent for the A. C. Co., at Circle City, spent a few days among his Dawson friends last week, but left on Monday for the outside. The captain served

with gallantry with the United States army in the Philippines, and he expects to return to service as soon as he reaches San Francisco.

S. F. Pielow left on Monday for Seattle, but after his arrival there he may conclude to go east to New York. It is his intention to return over the ice.

Fred J. Claxton, of No. 1 above upper on Dominion, is arranging his affairs in a way to permit him to go outside, owing to several deaths among his relatives.

Mrs. Courtlandt Stearns and Mrs. E. L. French arrived home Saturday from an enjoyable trip up the river as far as a few miles above the Five Finger rapids, where they transferred to the Victorian and returned.

Messrs. Bernard Anderson, John Lien, Con. Dahl, Wilfred Wilkenson and John Christ left for the outside on Monday. Accompanying them were three substantial boxes containing in the neighborhood of \$80,000 in gold dust.

Cad Wilson is reputed to have gone out last week with a fortune of \$26,000. A pretty good "clean up" for one season's "work," even for such a clever and experienced girl as Cad; besides, "She's such a nice girl, too."

A number of people came up from Fortymile on the Hannah Saturday, among them Frank Buteau, a well-known Dawsonite; Mrs. Buteau, G. W. Clark, J. L. Wimmers, A. H. Davis and wife, J. L. Allen and J. Spool.

Among the passengers arriving in on the Victorian Saturday were the following: T. H. Cunningham, Miss Delore, Mrs. Gilbert, Mrs. Kelley, Mrs. McDonald, Mr. and Mrs. Vance, Mrs. A. L. Brown, L. Levor, Mrs. Deliale, I. Godson.

It is stated on the authority of the gentleman's brother that Thomas Fawcett, the former gold commissioner, will not return to Dawson, as had been expected. It is true, his brother said, that the gentleman had announced his intention of coming in, but he has changed his mind and sent in word to that effect.

Myrtle Drummond for several months one of the popular actresses at the Monte Carlo, left for the outside on Monday. She is reputed to have had a poke of comfortable size safely stored away aboard the boat, but it is believed she will come back for the rest before long.

Charlie Anderson, the famous owner of No. 32 and 29 Eldorado, left for the outside on the Victorian Monday. He will try to get back to town before the season of navigation closes. Several men from Charlie's claim were with him on the trip out, namely, M. Mag-nussen, O. Hamilton and Pete Widell.

Miners and prospectors and families will find the fresh new stock of groceries just opened by M. A. Hammel, the best in the market. Second avenue, near Fourth street.

The Seattle market just opened on Second avenue, near Third street, displays the finest beef, mutton and fresh pork to be had in Dawson.

Mining Notes.

John McGillivray and T. A. R. Purchase for the Canadian Development Co., have purchased Nos. 19, 20, 21, 22, 23 and 24 Sulphur and are putting in a lot of machinery with which to work it. The total investments will aggregate \$100,000.

Much attention was centered on No. 2 above on Bonanza, one of Alex. McDonald's claims, last week by reason of the heavy output, the best test pans taken out on four days being \$700, \$400, \$1000 and \$800. In addition to these, one piece of coarse gold weighing \$485 was found in the sluice box.

News reached town Sunday that the paystreak had at last been located at Nos. 72 and 73 above on Sulphur, with dirt worth 10 to 15 cents.

The body found in the river five miles this side of Fortymile a few days ago and reported in The Nugget through the courtesy of Fred Schroeder, has been identified as that of Edward Albert Scott, who was drowned in the Klondike river about two months ago. The identification was accomplished by means of a pin of peculiar pattern made for the deceased by Albert Mayer. Mr. Scott, the elder, is still here and will probably remain until he closes up his son's estate.

A well-attended masquerade ball occurred at the Opera house on Friday and prizes were awarded as follows: First, best dressed lady, Kittie Walker; second, best character costume, Ida Rossiter; third, best comic character, Phil Jones; fourth, best waltzers, Harry Palmer and Georgie Hill. A masquerade was also given at the Grand, where prizes were awarded as follows: Best dressed lady, Anita Rios first, Emma Bray, second; best dressed gentleman, Robert Lawrence, second; Fay Hadley; best waltzers, Laura Smith and H. Howard; most comical couple, Lena Stanley and Sam Dowe.

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