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### THE COUNCIL SHOULD DEAL WITH IT.

From Saturday and Monday's Daily.  
The matter of successfully disposing of Dawson's garbage has resolved itself very largely into a question of dollars and cents. It appears that no one—not even the health officer—is prepared to defend the plan now being followed of dumping garbage into the Klondike. That method of solving the question is distinctly of the makeshift order and has nothing whatsoever to commend it, and no one to say a good word in its behalf.

In a communication published in this paper yesterday, the health officer explains the fact that garbage is being dumped into the Klondike by the statement that there are no funds available with which to furnish facilities for disposing of the city's refuse matter in any other manner. It does not appear to us that this explanation is entirely satisfactory. Last summer garbage was dumped into the Yukon at a point near the lower end of town. It is true that much of it failed to be carried into the current and remained in the eddy. This fact brought forth complaint from immediate residents of the district, but the public generally was not particularly inconvenienced. The difference between the plan of last year and the method now being pursued, is simply this, that every objection made to the former, is applicable to the latter in a very increased degree.

It was unsatisfactory to dump garbage into the Yukon, as was done last summer, but the present plan is ten times more so. In the first case a few people only were affected, but under existing circumstances the entire community is apt to suffer.

It is clear, therefore, as was pointed out in these columns at the beginning of the discussion that a new method must be devised before results of a satisfactory nature will be reached. This brings the matter to the Yukon council, which body at the present time is acting in the dual capacity of a territorial and municipal council.

It is evident that a change in the system of disposing of garbage must be made. The Yukon council has the authority to deal with the question and it is nothing more than reasonable that the public looks to that body to see that the matter is investigated and dealt with in a proper manner.

### BY WAY OF SUGGESTION.

Our more or less esteemed contemporaries, the News and the Sun, have been greatly agitated of late over the matter of establishing a miners' union in Dawson. The News has devoted itself to the pros, and the Sun has looked after the cons of the subject with a fervor born on the one side of a desire to pose as the guardian saint of the horny handed son of toil and on the other side arising from an incomprehensible fatuity by which the Sun is compelled under any and all circumstances to say the wrong word at the wrong time. Both papers have manifested distinct evidences of hysterics in dealing with the question, but if the cases were properly and scientifically diagnosed it would be discovered that in order to classify the disease with absolute accuracy, it would need to be termed "hysterics for revenue only."

Columns upon columns of space have been devoted by both of our contemporaries in their efforts to fill the role which each has assigned to itself and the end, apparently is not yet. The News as a result of desperate efforts to induce the man of the pick and shovel to buy the News, has become the victim of periodic spasms, which are not unlikely to terminate fatally. The Sun has undergone an equally painful experience on the other side of the question, probably laboring under the belief that in so doing it has to an extent earned the somewhat meagre patronage bestowed upon it by the government.

Meanwhile it has occurred to a great many people to wonder what it is all about. To read the two papers in question one might readily imagine that the entire Klondike so far as its laboring population is concerned has risen up as one man to enforce certain demands, by peaceable means if possible, or through forcible measures if necessary.

As a matter of fact the laboring men

of the district are all at work at good wages and with the prospect that the same condition will continue throughout the summer, at least. Efforts which have been made to cut down wages have signally failed, and it may be said as a simple statement of fact that the average wage paid at the present time is as high if not higher than at any time during the past twelve months.

In view of the above facts, we would suggest to both our contemporaries that they calm their ruffled and troubled spirits and allow the working men of the district an opportunity to do a little thinking and planning on their own account—a feat which they are in every respect able to accomplish. The time will come, as has been pointed out in these columns on several occasions, when conditions in this territory will require organization of labor, for self-protection, but that fact should not give rise to newspaper hysterics. Our anything-for-revenue contemporaries are borrowing unnecessary trouble. We advise a little soothing syrup.

The Seattle P.-I. is conducting a continuous and uninterrupted fight against John R. Rogers, governor of the state of Washington. Rogers is the sole survivor of the Populist regime which has held sway in Washington during the past four years, but in his capacity of chief executive of the state, he has managed to hold his own pretty successfully notwithstanding the fact that every other branch of the state government is in the hands of his political opponents. Rogers' personal popularity carried him into office a second time against an apparently overwhelming Republican landslide. The P.-I. has undertaken the task of driving Rogers from public life, and from indications does not intend letting up until the governor's term of office expires. In view of the fact that Rogers has nearly four years yet to serve before another election rolls around it would appear that Seattle's big morning daily has undertaken an exceedingly long time contract.

The Koyukuk country is experiencing a very substantial boom. According to most reliable reports that portion of Alaska has good prospects before it although it is difficult of access and a hard country to develop. History has proven, however, that no hardships are too difficult to be overcome, provided that the reward to be gained is sufficiently large. If there is gold in paying quantities in the Koyukuk country, means will be found of taking it out. In fact if it were known for a certainty that there is gold at the North Pole that much sought after spot would have been staked and recorded long ago.

The celebration of yesterday was a thoroughly successful affair throughout, and in every respect fulfilled the promises made as to the manner in which it would be conducted. Interest in the various events would have been heightened had there been a greater number of entries, but it would not be fair to hold the committees who had the celebration in charge responsible for the shortage in athletic talent. Altogether the program for the day was carried out in a manner very creditable to those who had the undertaking in charge.

There is no great rush of people to the outside as has been the case at the opening of navigation in previous years. This may be accounted for by several reasons. The cleanup season has been unusually backward, which fact has kept the great majority of miners on their claims. It should also be noted that many claim owners who have been accustomed to leave for the outside at this season of the year have changed their plans of operation and are now developing their claims during the summer.

Unless all signs fail, it will be possible along toward the middle of July to send a telegram to New York and receive an answer the same day. That word "isolation," which was formerly used with such frequency in connection with Dawson, is rapidly coming to be a misnomer. Undoubtedly there was a time when Dawson was somewhat shut off from the rest of the world, but it can scarcely be said now that such a condition exists.

The capacity for endurance possessed by the human frame was splendidly illustrated in the tug of war contests

yesterday. The tug of war was the event of the day, and of itself was well worth traveling a long distance to see. It very seldom occurs that men remain under such a severe strain during an interval so prolonged. The remarkable feature of the contest was the fact that every man engaged did not faint away at the conclusion.

There may be music of a more dulcet nature than is contained in the notes of the average steamboat whistle, but anyone who has spent the winter in Dawson will scarcely credit such a possibility.

### Whitehorse Copper Mines.

In August of last year Mr. Harry H. Williams made an examination of the copper belt adjacent to Whitehorse, and his report, made at that time, which has never been published, is of interest from that fact that it comes from a man who knows what he is talking about. His report is as follows:

Whitehorse, Y. T., Aug. 4, 1900.  
When we stop to think, we must concede it is only a question of time when the copper belt of Lewis river, Yukon territory, will take the place she is bound to fill among the great mining camps of the Northwest.

Geology of this district would puzzle the average prospector, unless his experience is far reaching and he is familiar with the contact ore which occurs in Arizona and New Mexico.

The geological structures of this section are very complicated, due to the disturbances which have taken place. There have been eruptions or eruptive rock at different periods. The original limestones have been shattered, faulted and metamorphosed. Ore deposits are found at contact of limestone and other eruptive rocks, such as "felsite," "diortite," "cynite," "birdseye" and "quartz porphyry."

The character of the ore in this district is a copper gold ore. The ores of copper may be classed as "oxides" and "sulphides," the most abundant oxidized ores are in the carbonates, "malachite" and "azurite." The red and black oxides occur less abundantly, the sulphides are most abundant. Copper pyrites (yellow), bonite (purple) and chalcocite (grey ore), are the most important. The ore does not occur as true fissures, but is always at contact of lime and some other eruptive rock.

The belt at the present time has been explored for ten miles in length, and at the end is three or more miles in width. We start at the north end, say at the War Eagle and Le Roi claims. Here to the west lies a range of hills gleaming red and rusty in the morning sun; it reminds me of the Iron Mountain copper belt of Shasta county, California. On close inspection it proves to be the same formation that occurs in that region, viz., quartz porphyry.

Here at the War Eagle we have a contact of limestones on the east and quartz porphyry on the west. The ore occurs as "bornite oxides and carbonates." We found an outcrop of the most beautiful peacock copper ore that we ever saw. It is not to be wondered at that the fortunate owners are enthusiastic over their prospects. About one mile to the south we came to the Pueblo. In a previous report I gave a full description of this particular claim, so will merely say that it is an enormous body of secular iron ore, carrying good values, considering the magnitude of the ore body.

The Copper King claim is a capital object lesson for a prospector in the study of the formation of this country. It does not take a graduate of McGill or Criesburg to determine how the ore deposits originated. He may gather an idea how the contact ore deposits between porphyry and limestone at the Copper King occurs from the following sketch, which will, in the writer's opinion, illustrate the majority of the deposits in this section:

That there have been great eruptions in this country there can be no doubt, as can be seen by the faults and cross faults. A country thus shattered is just in the desired condition for forming a future mineral belt. At the line of eruption the lava, or porphyry, rushing up to the surface, follows the weak lines of the fissures, and on cooling formed a dyke. Sometimes it overflowed and formed a sheet, and if it did not find relief by intruding between stratified rock, the porphyry dyke or intrusive sheet may, if it be mineralized, answer all intents and purposes of a mineral vein, or the ore may be found on one or both sides of such a sheet in the line of separation or weakness between it and the adjoining strata; or it may permeate and mineralize by a substitution process an adjoining porous or soluble rock, such as limestone. Thus both dyke or intrusive sheet itself, as well as at its contact with other rocks, he, the prospector, should look for signs of copper.

At the Copper King we found an excellent showing of "bornite" and copper carbonate ore. We also found "molybdenite" in the lime spar. This should carry good gold values. The assays from roughly assorted rock would make a Montana man have the nightmare. The Carley further on the belt is the next one visited. There we found at 40 foot shaft and on one dump about 40 tons of purple ore. It would take three figures to determine its ton value.

## ON THE OUTSIDE CREEKS.

### Roadhouses, Bars and Stores Are Numerous.

### Prosperity Reigns on Dominion, Sulphur and Gold Run Where People Make Merry.

From Monday's Daily.  
Business is looking very brisk on the outer creeks at present, the cleanup is on and the bill collector mashes his way from claim to claim holding out the "big mit" and receiving—sometimes only a smile or a frown.

Merchants and hotel men are expecting a big rush of trade during the summer season and are preparing to handle it properly. Coming down Dominion creek we find the Palace hotel, 4 below upper, being remodeled by the new proprietor, Wm. Ansley, better known as Alabama Bill, the Dominion poet, and being put in shape to handle a large number of boarders as well as transient.

The Dougherty hotel just above Caribou has been remodeled and a dining room 18x30 built. During the summer a series of social dances will be given and judging from the past, some pleasant evenings will be passed in that popular hotel. The first dance will be given May 31.

Caribou is quite a thriving burg and is a second edition of Grand Forks in '98. Messrs. Hobson, Rouse, McIntyre and Leinweber, and Jarvis and Grant are all conducting general merchandise stores.

Murphy Brothers of the Bonanza Market, Mr. Rousseau and Mr. Bernard have meat markets established. There are several hotels, the Caribou, Gold Run, Driad, Dougherty, Caribou roadhouse, Pioneer and a new one just opening by Mr. Rousseau.

Two physicians have offices, Dr. Bell and Dr. Dillabough and Dr. Whitney has a dental parlor and drawing room; then there is Messrs. Randall and Graff with a blacksmith shop and boiler repairing plant, a shoemaker, two short order restaurants, branch office of the Klondike Nugget and news stand, a barber shop, two bath houses and a bakery. The demi-monde are well represented, and were it not for strict police regulations and anti-dance hall measures Caribou would be one of the "warmest of the hot towns."

Messrs. Farrell and Cox have opened a roadhouse on 34 below upper and will board the men of 33 and 34.

Joe Barrett has bought the Dominion Central house, 36 below upper and turned it over to his brother and nephew Steve Barrett. The men of 32 below upper, 12 above lower and 9 above lower, numbering from 70 to 100 will be boarded here as well as the traveling public. A finely equipped bar is run in connection with the hotel.

Shropshire Brothers have put up a new store and hotel on 6 above lower, on the hill back of their old stand, they will conduct a general merchandising and freighting business.

The Fulton house, a newly established hotel is doing business in a large tent on 5 above lower. They will appease the appetites of the men from 5 and 6 hillsides which will be largely worked this summer.

Archie Mathewson is still running the Nugget hotel and general store on 2 above lower and reports business in the village good.

The Misses Doran, McGillenday and Co. have two nice roadhouses and general stores, one on 4 below lower the other on 74 below, both houses being in favorable locations and doing well.

Mr. and Mrs. John Yeager have a store and roadhouse on 7 below. They have just erected a large tent with a dance floor and a number of dances will help the miners of lower Dominion to turn daylight into jolly night during the summer.

Messrs. Acklerlee and West have a large store and hotel on 17 below lower. This is the place where Louie the Dutch makes hop beer that has a reputation on Dominion creek as long as that of Mumm's Extra Dry.

Quite a city is springing up around 2 and 30 below lower. This will be the most active part of Dominion creek this summer and already about 300 men are employed. John Euland is running the Portland hotel, a first-class house on 25 below.

Mr. Lesperance, of the Hillside house, has bought the hotel erected by Pete Bergstrom on 32 and will run two first-class hotels.

Mr. Chase formerly of the McCarty roadhouse, has put up a large tent on 31 and will be ready for all hungry or thirsty travelers soon. Miss Ella Zimmerman will have charge of the culinary department which alone assures the public that the house will be first-class in every respect.

Messrs. Charlton and Braxton of 32 below, have been crowded out of their old quarters by the rush of business and have just completed a large log hotel. They are old timers and well known on the creek, so no words of commendation are needed.

Ross Eckart and Mr. Marshbank are putting up a large two-story frame hotel on hillside 33, where they are

interested and will do a first-class hotel business. The bar and furnishings will be excellent by none on the creek. The hotel will be opened about June 1st.

The Acme grocery store of Caribou has a branch on 34 below lower in charge of a former employee of the S.-V.T. Co.

Gold Run is a close second to Dominion in the number of roadhouses and stores, some of the mercantile establishments would be a credit to a town of 10,000 people and sell everything from a needle to a haystack.

Mr. Jansen has the largest store on the creek at 38, but the other stores are close at his heels and are continually improving their places.

Palmer Brothers on 32, Cleveland & Carroll on 31, Chute & Wills on 27 and Jack Lynch on 26 have complete stocks of general merchandise and hardware and all report good business.

Marcus Tyler has a steam laundry and bathhouse on 29 and keeps not only himself but three assistants busy which shows that even on Gold Run "cleanliness is next to godliness."

Messrs. Oleson and Nelson have a two-story log hotel on 43 and are doing a good business boarding a large number of men from the adjoining claims.

Miss Evaline De Forrest is conducting the Eagle hotel on 41 and has made it one of the most popular resorts on the creek.

No. 39 boasts of a bakery that runs a genuine Klondike delivery wagon all winter and the mos dough pot was a thing of the forgotten ages.

Messrs. Wheeler and Allen are still running the Pioneer roadhouse of Gold Run, 36, and report good trade. These gentlemen gave a number of dances during the winter that were greatly enjoyed by the families of that creek.

Mrs. Carroll, formerly of the Carrollton Bonanza, has become associated with Mr. Cleveland in the hotel and store on 31, and has altered and refitted the place till one would not recognize it. The Cleveland freight and pack teams make regular trips from the hotel to Dawson, Quartz, Eureka and all points of the Rocky mountains.

The Dominion Central hotel, run by Messrs. Slippin and Hume, has been described in a previous issue. The hotel is a two-story frame building and metropolitan in furnishings as well as service. Weekly dances are given that always prove to be the social event of the creek and are looked forward to and welcomed by all the boys.

Mr. and Mrs. John McGinnity are conducting a very popular and cozy roadhouse on 29 and enjoy a large patronage of transient as well as local trade.

If there is ever a city on Gold Run, 27, the seat of Chute & Wills' camp and base of their supply distribution, will be the location. Mrs. Sloggy and daughter are running a bakery, short-order house and hotel and have all they can attend to. Chute & Wills have a large hotel, store, market, blacksmith shop, feed stables, etc. A first-class barber shop is run in connection with the hotel and business is so brisk that they are putting up a large hotel, two-story bathhouse and office building. The old hotel will be used as a merchandise store and wholesale liquor store.

The Rob Roy is a popular hotel on 27 hillside and has a good trade, it is here you meet the canny Scot and quote Bobby Burns till morning.

Mr. Jack Lynch has been building up a hotel and mercantile business on 20 for some time and his business too has outgrown its infant clothes and he is building a two-story hotel and large salesroom and warehouse. Mr. Geo. Hoyt has charge of the store and keeps several assistants busy throwing out goods.

A newly erected hotel and undoubtedly the finest furnished and appointed on the creek is the Park hotel on 14. The building is two stories of logs and presents an imposing appearance. It is located high and dry on the wagon road and, under the management of Proprietor Simmonds a well known Gold Run host, should do a large business.

Miss Anna Golden has just opened a bathhouse and roadhouse, the Savoy, on 14.

Across the creek from these buildings Miss Mary Nolan has a roadhouse that is very popular with the miners, and when the rush of water is over will do a bigger business than ever.

No. 12b roadhouse has just changed hands. McDonald Brothers, of Dominion, have bought out Eric Nelson and are continuing to hold the large business worked up by the former proprietor.

Last but not least is 11 roadhouse, an imposing structure, two stories high and well furnished. Messrs. Craig and Murdoch, the proprietors, are well known on the creek and the house will undoubtedly be a popular one. Mrs. Murdoch is the culinary artist and her reputation as a cook has not the least diminished since the hotel was opened.

The man that talks about the newspapers misquoting him is the man that hasn't any good excuse for getting quoted originally.—Chicago Journal.

When appetite prevails over reason, the first step to make the glutton and drunkard is taken.

## WAS JOLLY EXCURSION PARTY

### That Went Out on Steamer Gold Star Yesterday.

### Captain Nixon and Agent Mead Entertain Their Friends—Off for Koyukuk Today.

It was a happy party of 84 excursionists, nearly all of them the invited guests of Capt. Thos. Nixon and Agent W. Mead of the steamer Gold Star, who went on a trip on that staunch and powerful little craft down the river yesterday evening. The Gold Star, which is to leave this evening for the headwaters of the Koyukuk, has lately been most thoroughly overhauled and refitted; her wheel has been enlarged from 11 feet 8 inches to 16 feet, new and the most improved machinery has been put in and in all departments has been refitted. It was to test her new wheel and the power of her engines that the trip was made yesterday. In addition to her cargo of humanity, the passengers and crew making fully 100 people, she also carried 25 tons of freight.

It was 4:40 o'clock when the start down the river was made and after running something over an hour a tug was made 18 miles down the river where an addition to the party was made by picking up a duck-hunting party composed of Judge Dugas, E. X. Gosselin, Herb. Robertson, Mr. Martin, Mr. Lampreaux and others whose names were not learned. The party had gone down last Thursday evening and had secured about 30 fine ducks. It was while taking on the hunting party and "wooding up" that the last of three well-filled tables were served, an excellent dinner having been provided for everyone aboard. Coming back the rapid rise of the river made it rather slow work but the firm and substantial little steamer never faltered, but plowed her way through the stifling currents and at an early hour this morning landed her tired but thoroughly pleased-with-the-trip passengers safely in Dawson when Capt. Nixon and Agent Mead were warmly thanked for the pleasure they had by their unceasing attention afforded their guests.

The Gold Star will sail this evening at 4 o'clock for the headwaters of the Koyukuk, carrying a long list of passengers and about 65 tons of freight, 45 tons of which is owned by the owner and master of the steamer, Capt. Thomas Nixon. That the trip will be successfully made is a foregone conclusion, Capt. Nixon having engaged the very best men to be had in the Yukon as his crew. He carries two pilots, Capt. Woodman and McCormick, both of whom have masters' papers, while his engineers, Chief Longstaff and But Tully have each had many years experience, the former having been with the C. D. Co. for the past three seasons. Mr. Vaillencourt is purser and with an experienced steward and a good crew in the galley the wants of those who make the long trip to the Koyukuk in the good ship Gold Star will be amply provided for and naught but a pleasant journey and safe arrival need be anticipated.

On her return the Gold Star will go to Whitehorse where she will take on a cargo of freight directly for the Koyukuk. Her registered tonnage is 94 while her passenger capacity is 130.

## RECOVERED THE WATCH

### F. J. Heman Takes an Early Morning Voyage.

Last midnight as the steamer Gold Star was wooding up at a point seven or eight miles down the river a party of the excursionists, among them Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Heman, of the Nugget crowd, went ashore to look for willow flowers. When the steamer had almost reached Dawson this morning Mr. Heman made the discovery that he had lost her gold watch and chain. As it could not be found on the steamer she concluded she had lost it while ashore at the woodstation. Arriving in Dawson Mr. Heman purchased a boat that looked like a chicken trough for \$4 and took passage therein for the 6 o'clock. The watch was the first thing he saw after scrambling up the bank. Leaving his boat he struck out along the bank of the river for Moosehide where he hired Indians to take him across the river from whence he traveled afoot to West Dawson and reached home by the ferry at noon, after having been in water nearly to the neck and with his raiment tattered and from contact with brush.

The watch had not lost a second of its experience and when he handed it to his wife on his return, the bookkeeper felt fully as proud as when he presented it to her on her wedding day ten years ago.

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