

The Klondike Nugget

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LETTERS. And Small Packages can be sent to the Creeks by our carriers on the following days: Every Tuesday and Friday to Eldorado, Bonanza, Hunker, Dominion, Gold Run.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 30, 1902.

\$50 Reward.

We will pay a reward of \$50 for information that will lead to the arrest and conviction of any one stealing copies of the Daily or Semi-Weekly Nugget from business houses or private residences, where same have been left by our carriers.

KLONDIKE NUGGET.



AMUSEMENTS THIS WEEK.

Auditorium—"Golden Giant Mine." Orpheum—Burlesque and Vaudeville.

INCREASE OF POPULATION.

Commissioner Ross in an interview has expressed the opinion that more people will come to Dawson during the approaching season than in any year since the original rush.

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Vancouver, April 30.—The Chamber of Commerce passed a resolution urging the Federal government not to rigidly insist upon strictly humanitarian methods in the campaign.

NOTICE.

Respecting all Gold in Circulation in the Yukon Territory.

Persons desiring to export gold are hereby notified to apply to the comptroller of the Yukon Territory on or before 30th April instant for free certificates for export of same, which will be granted on satisfactory proof that the royalty has been paid and upon the gold being boxed up and sealed.

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too pleasant, whether view from a business or any other standpoint. The summer season, however, affords compensations which ought to satisfy even the chronic "kicker."

The government will expend the sum of \$20,000 in improving and beautifying the site surrounding the administration building. With that amount of money, the Yukon's capitol grounds should be made to blossom as the rose.

While the matter of laying new sidewalks is engaging the attention of the council, it would be well to see that some of the narrow walks, relics of sour dough days, are widened to meet the requirements of the ordinance.

There is fame in store for some literary genius who will write a book to be entitled "Concessions and How to Get Them." A volume containing accurate and reliable information on the above subject would run through a half dozen editions.

Mr. Sifton has decided that the Yukon's M.P. is to be elected sometime before January 1, 1903. There is comfort in the minister's announcement, although it would have been more satisfactory had the exact date been fixed.

Scores of new claims were opened during the winter just ended and a still larger number will be developed during the summer. Never before has the Klondike presented better opportunities for the hard-working, industrious miner.

The city council has undertaken the task of solving the garbage question in a businesslike and satisfactory manner. The Nugget is pleased to be able to state that the council has done something which merits public approbation.

If everyone who has threatened to do so, stakes a claim on the Milne concession tonight, the gold commissioner's office will remind one, tomorrow, of the days of '98.

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Dawson, 21st April, 1902.

Of Interest to Shippers.

The Northern Commercial Co. is now prepared to make contracts for shipments from coast ports to Dawson and will be pleased to quote rates on large consignments to bona fide importers.

Nobby line spring suits just opened. Ames Mercantile Co.

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CHINESE TEA STORES

How Celestials Conduct Their Trade.

Tea Is Shipped From China in Innumerable Small Packages.

The Chinese shops in the basement and under the staircases of Mott street are building up an extensive trade in tea and tea things. There are a number of these shops, and the amount of trade they do cannot be measured by their appearance either outside or inside.

This tea comes in the original Chinese boxes. They are made of straw boards, with a cover of cloth of brilliant colors and Chinese characters woven in silk. There is also a lid with a fastening, which may be used as a woman's workbox when the tea is out, or a glass cover which enables one to see the Chinese certificates of excellence on the slip of paper displayed like a trademark and advertisement underneath.

When the lid is opened and the certificate slip, which is about the size of the top of the box, is taken out, there are several wrappings of thin brown paper over the tea. When these wrappings are removed the tea appears wrapped up in small bundles, with pure silk threads, in gaudy colors. The tea is not powdered or broken, as is the tea known to the American grocery store, but every leaf is dried and twisted up separately, and these separate leaves are put in bundles of 25 or 30. The tea looks like a bundle of thin twigs, and one does not see the perfect leaf until it has been steamed, when the twigs unfold into the tea leaves about the size, though hardly the shape, of a wintergreen leaf in full growth.

This tea requires no strainer or tea ball of any kind. There is no tea dust or broken tea or tea chips. Every leaf is whole and perfect and twisted before it was entirely dry, so that it retains its shape. The threads which bind the leaves together are real silk. Every little bundle is separate. A box weighing half a pound holds 40 or 50 of these bundles, arranged in the boxes like cigars, the bundles fitting crosswise in the box. The certificate shows where it was grown, the firm that put it up and the grade and quality. The box costs from 40 cents to \$1.25, according to its size. At that price it is equivalent to tea at \$1.50 and \$2 a pound. This is much higher in price than the tea ordinarily sold by any grocery store, but it is a different tea, such as an American seldom tastes.

Besides this, the Chinamen keep the ordinary cheaper grades of tea, which they sell at about the same price as that charged by the grocery stores. They have even cheaper teas, put up in cheap yellow packages, which they sell for 5 and 10 cents. This is the broken tea and tea dust, which does not enter at all into the expensive boxes.

The manner in which the Chinamen make their tea may be instructive to many American housewives. One of the silk-wrapped bundles is good for three cups—not that more cups could not be made out of it, but the Chinamen say that when they have got three cups out of it all the tea is good for then is to be dried up and sold to Americans. The three cups are not made at the same time by putting the tea in a teapot, but every cup is made separately.

First the water is heated to a boiling point and the cups are arranged on the table. The hot water is poured into a cup to make it thoroughly warm, and then, when the cup is heated, the silk threads are unwrapped from the bundle of tea leaves, and the bundle, about the size of a short-stubbed cigar, is put in the

cup. The heated water is poured on the tea and another cup is put on top of the first, in order to keep the steam and flavor of the tea from escaping. The first cup stands about a minute and a half or two minutes, when by the dexterous manipulation of the top cup the tea is strained out into another cup already heated. As there is no tea dust nor any chips, using this upper cup for a strainer, and the pure light-brown tea is readily poured off. There is a knack in using this upper cup or a strainer, which it takes an American some time to acquire. At the first trial the novice must be exceptionally careful or he will upset all the tea on the table.

With these tea leaves, now increased in volume until they fill the cup, the second cup of tea is made in like manner, only that it stands twice as long. By a like process a third cup is made, only that in this case the tea stands six or seven minutes longer. By this time all the best qualities of the tea leaves are extracted, and they are thrown away or dried and broken up to be used in mixing with cheaper tea.

The second cup is supposed to be the best. The first drawing takes the edge of the tea, the second gets its full flavor and the third extracts what is left. By this time the tea leaves have fully expanded and the little things which looked like twigs have developed into the tea leaf of full size, and of pale green color. The fibres of the leaves are plainly to be seen.

With this tea no sugar or cream or anything else is taken. If the Chinaman wants sweetening with his tea he drinks a special Chinese rice liquor, which is strongly alcoholic and almost cloying. This liquor is not poured in the tea, but it is served in a little china pot, and poured from it into pictured china cups, which hold as much as a large-sized tumbler. The liquor is sipped with the tea and gives the sweetening. It also adds to the exhilarating effect.—Ex.

Necessity.

(By Ella Wheeler Wilcox.) Necessity, whom long I deemed my foe, Thou cold, unsmiling and hard-visaged dame, Now I no longer see thy face, I know Thou wert my friend beyond reproach or blame.

My best achievements and the fairest flights Of my winged fancy were inspired by thee; Thy stern voice stirred me to the mountain heights; Thy importunings bade me do, and do.

But for thy breath, the spark of living fire Within me might have smouldered out at length; But for thy lash, which would not let me tire, I never would have measured my own strength.

But for thy ofttimes merciless control Upon my life, that nerved me past despair, I never should have dug deep in my soul And found the mine of treasures hidden there.

And though we walk divided pathways now, And I no more may see thee to the end, I weave this little chaplet for thy brow, That other hearts may know, and hail thee friend.

The Yukon Pioneer.

Leaving home and friends and kindred, All in life his heart holds dear, Northward, to the land of promise, Sails the Yukon pioneer.

Ever onward, patient toiling, With a heart that knows no fear, Upward to the snow-clad summit, Climbs the Yukon pioneer.

Through the lakes and down the rapids, Daring his frail bark to steer, O'er the foaming, turbid waters, Glides the Yukon pioneer.

Off beset by sore privations, With no friendly voice to cheer, Delving deep for hidden treasure, Toils the Yukon pioneer.

On the mountain's icy bosom, With no mourning loved one near, Just to dust, the last trail traversed, Sleeps the Yukon pioneer. —Sancho.

Export Tax on Dust.

DAWSON, April 29, 1902.

Our Customers are hereby notified that, owing to the proposed change by the government in the collection of royalty on dust, we will not receive gold dust at the rate of \$16.00 per ounce in satisfaction of accounts made prior to this date unless the export duty is paid on the dust or 2 1/2 per cent added to the amount, thereby enabling us to pay it for the producer.

On business transacted on or after May 1st, 1902, we will receive clean gold dust at \$15.00 per ounce.

North American Transportation & Trading Co.

RENT OF 'PHONES Beginning April 1, 1902:

Table with columns for DAWSON (Class A, B, C) and CREEK TELEPHONES (Bonanza, Eldorado, Quartz, Sulphur, Hunker, Dominion, Gold Run) with monthly rates.

Yukon Telephone Syndicate, Ltd.

ANGLO-AMERICAN COMMERCIAL COMPANY

Standard Cigars and Tobacco, Wholesale and Retail At Right Prices. Fire Proof Sales Sold on Easy Terms. BANK BUILDING, King Street.

AMUSEMENTS

The Auditorium. Week Commencing Monday April 28. The Golden Giant. NO SMOKING Monday, Thursday or Friday.

Orpheum Theatre. Week Starting Monday April 28. A Country Circus. Grand Old, New Stars and Many of the Old-Time Favorites. Popular Prices. General Entrance Through Reception.

Job Printing While You Wait at the Nugget

Reopened Fairview Cafe and Lunch Counter. DINNER LA CARTE. Open Day and Night. THOS. AUBREY, PROPRIETOR.

IF YOU WANT good, fresh Beef, Mutton, Poultry, Game, etc. See QUEEN ST. Phone 70. Shaw & Co.

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