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KLONDIKE NUGGET.



AMUSEMENTS: Auditorium Theatre, "The Plunger." Standard Theatre—Vaudeville.

ONE POINT ALREADY DECIDED.

The justification of popular government is found in the fact that almost invariably the sober common sense of the people is represented by the decisions made upon election day. Political opportunists by resort to sophistries and buncombe may gain a temporary influence, but calm reflection in the end secures the ascendancy. The Dominion election is still a long distance ahead but it is none too early for the voters of the district to begin discussing among themselves the issues involved and the results likely to accrue from following any given policy.

Obviously the great purpose to be aimed at is the promotion of the community welfare—the advancement of the material interests of the district, which must be accomplished through favorable presentation of its necessities before the federal legislators.

It is, therefore, the very highest essential that the man selected shall be the best available man within reach of the voters for the attainment of the desired purpose. There will be no good end achieved by sending to Ottawa a man to blackguard and insult individual members of the government. And even if that were a desirable thing to do it would be the veriest folly to send one who in his own personality is notoriously susceptible to attack. The voters of this territory are altogether too intelligent to permit themselves to be led into any such act of madness. They are accustomed to judging of men and events for themselves. They can detect the true from the false and are perfectly able to differentiate between the cheap demagogue and the man of earnest and sincere purpose.

They have already decided that Joe Clarke is not the man they want. They are merely waiting for the right man to be brought forward.

A COMPARISON.

Too many people are accustomed to look upon the dark side of things. They are apt to spend their time in useless longings for what they deem ideal conditions of life rather than in employing themselves in making the utmost out of their immediate circumstances and surroundings.

Viewed in comparison with the average "outside" community, this little northern district—a world almost in itself—has more to commend it than most people seem willing to admit even to themselves.

In the eastern portion of the United States, for example, thousands upon thousands of men are lying idle, their little savings of years practically exhausted and gaunt famine staring them in the face. The blighting influence of a gigantic strike has paralyzed industry, clogged the channels of trade, and brought ruin and loss of homes to a multitude while the combatants in the tragic drama sit scowling, each at the other, ready to go to any length to add to the misery already accomplished.

The daily newspapers teem with details of murders, suicides, and accidents, while the business and com-

mercial world is the field of a countless succession of plots, counter plots and conspiracies designed to wreck the material prosperity of competitors. The spirit of the frontier is different. A broader and more generous view of affairs is taken. The average man who follows in the wake of mining excitements, may and usually does possess a rougher exterior, but he is satisfied to live, and let others live, and does not feel that it is his duty to bring injury to his fellows.

Life in the Klondike has become largely a matter of routine, perhaps it may even properly be termed prosaic, but it is a matter of history that the communities whose annals are least exciting, are those whose inhabitants are the happiest.

Undoubtedly there are left many things to be desired, and many improvements yet to be made, but judged from a broad standpoint it is perfectly safe to say that, excluded and shut in from the world as this district is, its people have just as potent reasons for satisfaction with their life as can be advanced in favor of any average community in the world.

The city council has now been vested with authority to enforce the construction of sidewalks. Property owners who have not already complied with the ordinance dealing with the question may have walks built for them by the city and the costs assessed against them. No hardship will be worked upon owners of improved property for in nearly every case they are ready and anxious to have sidewalks constructed as soon as the necessary grades are established. Attempts to evade the law will doubtless be made by owners of large tracts of unimproved land and the public will watch closely to ascertain whether such evasion can be successfully accomplished. If the new powers of the council are enforced without partiality of any kind no legitimate complaints can arise.

A needed improvement has been undertaken in the construction of a wagon road from the ferry landing to the top of the hill at West Dawson. The present trail is so steep that it is useless for any purpose other than for the accommodation of pack trains. The Sixtymile and Glacier district traffic which is constantly increasing in importance must all pass along the West Dawson trail which eventually will be one of the important highways of the territory. The money now being expended in its improvement could not be appropriated to a better purpose.

The Nugget published on Sept. 3 the details of President Roosevelt's narrow escape from death. The Seattle Post-Intelligencer gave the same news in its issue of Sept. 4. Readers of the Nugget in Dawson were, therefore, placed in possession of the facts about fifteen hours in advance of readers of Seattle's biggest daily. Still there are benighted individuals in far eastern places who labor under the impression that we sojourners of the north are behind the times.

Objects to Lien Law

Editor Nugget: Dear Sir—Last week I saw an article in your paper stating that a mortgage took precedence over labor. To my mind the law is a most unjust one, as it gives any claim owner so inclined the opportunity to cheat any of all of the working men. They can hire some fellow to work the claim supposedly on a lay, furnish him with some cheap machinery, etc., take a mortgage for double the value on the thing and when the cleanup is made the chances are that there is barely gold enough taken out to pay the mortgage, and when most of the work is done the owner takes the dump, fires all the old hands and hires new men.

I cannot understand what right a layman has to give a mortgage on a dump that does not as yet exist when the mortgage is given, and when it does have been taken out by the labor of the miner and not by the labor of the layman.

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CHICAGO SCANDAL

Culminates Finally in an Arrest

Authorities Will See That Taxes Are Not Evaded in the Future.

Chicago, Aug. 30.—Things came to a focus today in the tax fixing scandal by a prominent arrest. A warrant was issued and served today on Capt. Ed. Williams, manager of the Masonic Temple building, charging him with uttering a forged receipt.

Now, my idea is to secure options covering all the hill east of the town before informing the public of the exact state of affairs. At the right moment we can disclose the facts, create a stampede from the town and unload every foot of ground on the hill at a fancy price. We might form a stock company, say of \$5,000,000 capitalization, and by offer-

"I was acquainted with Luse Wheeler in a casual way, as was almost every one in local politics. About May 20 I received a telephone call from my house that some one wanted to see me down town and would give me an opportunity to make a little money. Accordingly I went to the appointed place. I was surprised to find Wheeler waiting for me.

"We had a long talk together in which he suggested a fraudulent entry on the tax register in my charge. "Not knowing what course to pursue, I went direct to State Attorney Deneen. He advised me to report the transaction in full to my superior and to learn all that I could of the plot.

"Accordingly I met Wheeler a second time. I told him that I was perfectly willing to go into the deal but that for self protection I would have to know the details and the person for whom the service was being performed. Then he reiterated a statement I had not paid much attention to before, that it was the Masonic Temple that was to enjoy the benefit. What he wanted was the word "paid" written on the tax warrant book in the space devoted to the tax of 1901 for the temple.

"The Masonic Temple people must be clean on the records. If they are not it will kill an effort to float a new bond issue. That bond issue must go through for from \$100,000 to \$250,000. If it does, there is a good piece of money to be cut up. There is \$1,500 to be divided three ways if we can make their tax title clear for even a short time. You get one-third, \$500, if you write the word "paid" opposite the tax entry against the temple. It will be found out in time, but it will be all right then, the bond issue will be floated—that's the way Wheeler explained it.

"He also explained that I would be afforded all the protection in the world. All he desired was to show for the time being that the tax against the property of something like \$27,000 was paid. Later, he said, if I should find it expedient I could erase the entry.

"I arranged to meet Wheeler again, and went at once to Chief Clerk Becker and explained to him the plan and the party to be benefited. Then we both began a systematic watch of the book in which the Temple taxes were recorded. I never met Wheeler again, intentionally seeking to escape contact with him. I went away for my vacation early this month, about August 5. At that time there was no entry in the book. Mr. Becker went away for his vacation while I was away. When we came back about a week ago there was an entry "paid" inscribed in a black ink in what was obviously a disguised hand. The ploters had taken advantage of our absence to take the step that they sought to induce me to make. They came his action in sending for the temple management and asking them to produce their receipt. The production of the forged paper caused the present investigation.

While these facts were coming out, State's Attorney Deneen secured from Judge Brentano an order for a special grand jury and several bench warrants were issued, the names being suppressed for the time being.

BOLD DAYLIGHT ROBBERY: One of the boldest daylight robberies that ever occurred in the Klondike happened in Dawson today. It is true some money was paid for the articles, but taking into consideration the quantity of the goods and amount paid it was simply robbery. It occurred at Dunham's, the Family Grocer, who always carries the best. Black Tights at \$3.50—Mrs. Anderson's, Second avenue.

Stroller's Column.

"There is no doubt in the world," remarked the tall man, when the president of the Hot Air Club had rapped sharply for order, "that the town of Dawson is doomed."

No response being given to this remarkable declaration other than light he inferred from sundry dense volumes of strong tobacco smoke, the speaker continued: "I have recently been making some observations of the current in the Yukon river and have discovered that instead of setting toward the opposite bank it is now turned in this direction. It is already beginning to wear away the bluff above Klondike City and just as soon as that is accomplished the entire volume of water will be turned against what is now the town site of Dawson and everybody will simply be ground-slip out of business."

Los Angeles, Cal., Aug. 31. Dear Stroller:—I enclose you two clippings re my Tiburon expedition. I will leave San Pedro on Oct. 1st with the steam yacht "San Diego." The river party will leave Ft. Yuma, Arizona about Oct. 5th. Parties desiring to go by land can leave Los Angeles as late as Oct. 7th and meet the San Diego at Guymas. We will sail from there to the mouth of Colorado river and pick up the hunting party that goes by river boat. I am hearing a great many favorable reports of late from the island and feel sure we will make



"DAWSON IS DOOMED," SAID THE TALL MAN.

ing half the stock for sale realize \$2,500,000, which would easily relieve the immediate necessities of all the members of this club. "Now a small amount will be required to put the scheme in motion and if every member present will contribute \$2 toward legitimate promotion expenses I have no doubt—" But the smoke having cleared away the tall member discovered that he was the sole occupant of the room, his colleagues having mysteriously vanished.

"The next time I'll lock the doors beforehand," he soliloquized as he bent his steps in the direction of Geo. Butler's.

Ex-Commissioner William Ogilvie has a fund of stories treasured up from his frontier experiences that is probably inexhaustible. At any rate, Mr. Ogilvie has been telling Yukon yarns for the past twelve years, and never has the occasion arisen that he could not spring a brand new one when wanted.

In all likelihood he will have a large addition to his repertoire when he completes his dredging experiments on Stewart river, for Mr. Ogilvie never forgets any incident worth remembering.

Some years ago when the late commissioner was running a survey line on the other side of the Rockies, he chanced to have associated with him a rather officious individual called by the euphonious title of "Smith." Mr. Ogilvie's method of map-making did not meet with the undivided approval of his assistant, who not infrequently had suggestions of his own, usually unsolicited, to make.

On one occasion the party was engaged in mapping out a route of a long portage required to be made in crossing a high divide.

Smith had been talking with an Indian who was familiar with the route and conceived the idea of getting the latter to make a map which he thought would be a great improvement on the method pursued by the chief of the expedition. He, therefore, brought the native in triumph to the post at which the party was stopping, furnished him with a pencil and paper on which the points of the compass and the scale of measurements were indicated and told him to proceed.

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Riots at Height. Agram, Hungary, Sept. 3.—Many houses were wrecked and sacked last night. The rage of the mob was first directed against the house of Captain Witas, a retired army officer, who fired on the crowd and wounded one man. The rioters erected barricades, tore up the fence, smashed the windows and were proceeding to storm the place when the military dispersed them. The mob soon returned and wrecked the house. Capt. Witas and his wife escaped. The rioters sacked the houses of a number of Servians and destroyed the residence of a merchant.

Although a state of siege has been proclaimed at Agram, and in spite of the fact that the principal buildings are occupied, the rioting is increasing. Numbers of peasants have arrived here from the country to help the Croats. Barricades are being erected and a virtual state of rebellion exists.

Early today mobs plundered Servian shops and, piling the stocks in the streets, set fire to them. Capt. Witas, who was returning to his home, was seized, dragged into the street and terribly beaten. His condition is serious. Many rioters have been arrested.

The proclamation of martial law this afternoon has been followed by the bringing into town and posting of more battalions of troops. The rioters have been overawed by the soldiers, and this evening they are quiet.

Opposition papers have been confiscated and the arbitrariness in which the articles which caused the riots appeared, will not be published during the continuance of the disturbance.

A mob in the village of Vraboc stoned a detachment of gendarmes. The latter replied with a volley, killing one of the rioters and wounding several others.

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