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HAPPY NEW YEAR

The World wishes its readers a Happy New Year, and has a very sincere desire to see 1905 a more prosperous one for all of us than any of its predecessors.

NEWS LIES EXPOSED

The ignorant News said on Friday night that there were ominous rumors, current reports and ugly statements abroad as to an expenditure upon the roads, said to be $110,000 and that only $5,000 had been spent, the inference being that $105,000 had been misapplied, stolen or in respect to that sum there had been some malfeasance.

IN THE FIRST PLACE THERE IS NO UGLY STATEMENT ABROAD.

IN THE SECOND PLACE THERE ARE NO OMINOUS RUMORS CURRENT.

IN THE THIRD PLACE THERE IS NO CURRENT REPORT THAT THIS ROAD ALLOWANCE HAS BEEN DISSIPATED.

The whole story originated in the diseased mind of the News and it has no foundation in fact.

We tell the dastardly News that it lies, openly, knowingly and maliciously, when it suggests that any man responsible for the expenditure of the government money voted for roads has diverted the said money and used it for an improper purpose.

WE DARE THE NEWS TO PROVE ITS PALPABLE MISLEADING LIES.

Every dollar of the public money voted for a specific purpose HAS BEEN DEVOTED TO THAT PURPOSE AND TO NO OTHER, AND WE DARE THE LYING NEWS TO PROVE TO THE CONTRARY.

The time has gone by when it is necessary for an officer of the crown to publish statements of his accounts to meet the lying allegations of an alien press in Canada, but in this instance we have asked Mr. Lithgow, the comptroller, to furnish us with a statement for publication which will show that every dollar of money voted for roads was properly applied, and we will show the News for the twentieth time to be an utterly unreliable, worthless, scandalous sheet, circulating deliberate untruths as to the probity of Canadian public men, and we would ask the News to apologize only that the News has forfeited the right to apologize when proved in the wrong, having previously promised to do so under like conditions and failed.

The News goes on to say that the books are not open to the public. The books of the comptroller are not supposed to be open to the public, but at the same time they will not disclose such a condition of iniquity as the News indicates; on the contrary they will show every dollar properly applied and properly accounted for.

For months the lying News has stated that the World had a printing contract of $80,000 a year. We dared the News to prove this, and the News was mum as a clam, had not a word to say.

Last night the News says "Some $15,000 was voted for the World." We say the News lies again, and we dare the News to find the sum of $15,000 or any other sum voted to the World.

For months the people of Yukon have been told there was a printing contract for the Blackmailers' Gazette of $80,000. The World promptly defied the News and said that there was no such paper in the territory, and that no such contract had ever been given.

The despicable method of the News was intended to create the impression that by the Blackmailers' Gazette the News meant the World; but the News did not have either the courage or the honesty to say so. Calling people of repute blackmailers is an offense the News hesitates to commit without proof.

Floundering along in its usual style the News makes an absolute statement upon which it bases its venomous attack as usual, and after doing this, performs the usual crawling, side-stepping trick, and says, referring to the printing contract:

"The News cannot pretend to give the exact figures, whether the printing account has exceeded the appropriation two, three or four times."

If the News does not know the figures upon which it bases an unmannerly and vicious article, it stamps itself as beyond even the feeling of contempt which honest men entertain for any and all who attack wrongfully, maliciously and vindictively.

The Yukon council appropriated a certain sum for public printing and the amount we know, and the News knows, and all attempts to make the people hostile to the government as the result of nothing but wicked and malicious lies, will fail.

The News knows it said the printing contract was $80,000 a year.

The News knows there is not and never was any such contract.

The News knows the amount of the printing appropriation, and also that the amount cannot be exceeded.

The News also knows that it can get no more government pap, it having had a fill of it in days gone by, but when the News undertakes to lie about the dealings of government officials, and accuse them of malfeasance or attribute to a Canadian newspaper acts which are disreputable, then we say the thing must be stopped, for we shall protect the people of this territory from the lying statements of the News and this is only the beginning.

EVILS OF MALIGNANT PRESS

The News exists on misrepresentation and imaginary happenings. From its distorted, diseased and unwholesome mind it puts forth certain rumors, "it is said," "the people say," and "the report is," and so on ad infinitum, and upon such alleged rumors, which never happened, proceeds to erect a fabric the appearance of which deceives the people.

For instance the false statements made as to Mr. Congdon, and which that gentleman refuted in public meeting and which were scarcely alluded to during the campaign. The News was challenged on that occasion to come forward and make its charges good. Did the News do so? No—it was not able.

Such things lead to serious consequences. The false impressions created by the News nearly caused a riot, and the baneful influence of the News is obvious in public life here to a marked degree.

The time has arrived when the pernicious methods of the News must be stopped and we propose to fight them to the bitter end. A false statement once placed in circulation can do more to injure the reputation of a man than any act of his own, and a false statement can never be withdrawn, and in case such statement is suggested by malice, there will be no attempt to withdraw it.

Half of the Yukon difficulty has been created by vile and untruthful statements, made as to individuals without shadow of proof, and the same circulated among and talked by the people, prejudice the public mind and cause untold difficulty and hardship to innocent people.

The News is the chief offender in this regard. It makes wild and unreasonable statements without even the shadow of a foundation, and other people take them up and they grow day to day as a noxious plant from a poisonous seed.

This is the curse of Yukon, a lying, incompetent, irresponsible press, and is one of the evils to be fought and from this time on we propose to fight it and fight hard.

When the News says that Dr. Thompson goes to Ottawa accredited by Liberals and Conservatives alike, the News says what is false. The Liberals supported Mr. Congdon who was endorsed by Sir Wilfrid Laurier, and Dr. Thompson and the mixups who supported him, refused to endorse Sir Wilfrid's policy. How, then, can Dr. Thompson be said to be accredited by the Liberals?

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COMMENT ON TEAM

Winnipeg on Klondike Hockey Team

TO PLAY PROFESSIONALS

If So Winnipeg Papers Prophesy Dire Things for the Gold Digger's Team

WINNIPEG, Dec. 12.—A prominent official of one of the local hockey clubs states that is unlikely the Klondike team of Dawson will be seen in action here.

One of the conditions attached by the Ottawas, when they accepted the challenge of the gold diggers to play for the Stanley cup, was that they should play no exhibition games before the cup series.

According to the itinerary of the Dawsonites when they get through at Ottawa, all that is left of the team will have sundry games in the east and elsewhere. Among other places it is announced they will play at Pittsburg and other places where the professional game does flourish.

If Weldy Young stacks his men up against the declared professionals it is a cinch the Klondikers will not get on many games up this way.

Even if the cup hunters do not play against any of the professional teams, they may have difficulty in arranging dates here. The season promises to be a strenuous one, and neither senior team is anxious to add to its schedule. In the Manitoba senior league Winnipeg will have eight senior games between January 6 and February 24, just seven weeks, and these, with the city championship contest promises as much hockey as the players can stand, or the public care to see.

With an average of better than one senior game per week during the season, with intermediate junior games innumerable, as well as bank league, intercollegiate, mercantile and other games there promises to be no dearth of hockey matches.

At the same time, if the Klondike team cuts out that idea of playing the professional teams of the other side—and after all it may be another of those fake advertising stories—they deserve all encouragement for their long trip for a trophy with which Winnipeg has been so closely associated, and there are a whole lot of people here who would like to see them on the Auditorium ice.

OPENING OF PARLIAMENT

Preparations Being Made on a More Elaborate Scale Than Usual—Some Renovations.

OTTAWA, Dec. 11.—Preparations for the opening of parliament are being made on a more elaborate scale than usual. Nearly all the rooms have received attention at the hands of painters and decorators and many of them have been equipped with new furnishings. On the senate side the chamber has been renovated and repainted and presents quite a pretty appearance for the opening. The seating accommodation of the dress gallery has been increased which will be quite a boon to the gentleman usher of the black rod, whose wits have been racked to find places for the unusually large number of ladies who will be honored with places on the floor for the opening ceremonies.

The first task that will engage the attention of the prime minister upon his return to the capital will be the selection of a speaker. The general impression is that the choice for speaker of the commons will fall upon Mr. Archy Campbell, in which event the deputy speaker will be Mr. Charles Marcil, of Bonaventure, whose appointment would be most popular on both sides of the house. The next speaker of the senate, according to precedent, will be a French-Canadian. There are several candidates for the position.

HORDES OF IDLE MEN IN GOTHAM

Charitable Institutions Besieged by Many More Applicants Than Before.

NEW YORK, Dec. 7.—Never in the history of the city's charitable institutions have there been so many unemployed men to care for as at present. Some surprising figures compiled by the authorities of Bellevue hospital and the municipal lodging house indicate an appalling situation for the winter.

"The city certainly faces a serious problem in the care of the unemployed this winter," said William C. York, superintendent of the municipal lodging house. "According to my records there are at least 40 per cent. more idle men in the city this year than there were this time last year.

"During November this year we cared for 7,787 persons, 90 per cent. being men. This is over 2,100 more than we had for the corresponding period last year; or, in other words, the increase is more than 40 per cent. December is going to break all records."

Assistant Superintendent Rickard of Bellevue reports a similar startling demand upon public charity. He said last night that he had referred 700 more applicants to the department of public charities during November this year than during the same month of 1903.

"We took in 2,276 patients this November," said he, "which is sixty-eight more than during November last year. We turned about 400 over to the department of public charities in November last year. This year we turned over 1,100 in November. A majority of these 1,100 were men who wanted a bed."

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THIRTEEN SEATS TO BE PROTESTED

Nova Scotia Conservatives Will Only Allow Five of Liberal Seats to Go Unchallenged.

HALIFAX, N.S., Dec. 12.—The Conservatives will tomorrow file protests against thirteen of the Liberal members in Nova Scotia. The counties exempt will be Yarmouth, Digby, Antonish, Guysboro and Lunenburg. This decision of wholesale protesting was reached after Mr. Borden's return from Montreal.

As previously the party leaders had been unable to raise the funds necessary for the deposits and to prosecute the petitions in the courts, the Tories this time expect to catch the Liberals napping, and to withhold the filing of their protests until the last moment, but the Liberals are well prepared, and will enter cross petitions in every instance. The Tory protests are being made with a view to endeavor to explain to the party in the other provinces Mr. Borden's rout as due to corrupt methods. The last protest was made in Nova Scotia in 1896, when a petition was filed against R. L. Borden, and afterward withdrawn on account of a "saw-off."

GREAT POWER OF THINKING HORSE

It Consists Principally in His Powers of Observation—Owner Believes in Him.

BERLIN, Dec. 14.—Dr. Carl Stumpf, professor of psychology at the University of Berlin, and a member of the Royal Academy of Science and two colleagues, Dr. C. Von Hornbostel and Dr. O. Pfungst, have ended months of experiments with Von Osten's horse Hans.

They find that the secret of the animal's replies is in its powers of observation, which enable it to perceive while it looks at its questioner the instant it has reached a correct answer. Thus they found the horse was unable to tap out a correct answer to a question when the person putting it did not know the answer, for example: "How many persons are in the group behind me?"

The questioner not looking himself did not know the number and Hans was unable to give a correct answer, nor was he able, when wearing blinders, to calculate or perform the simplest counting. Stumpf does not doubt the good faith of Von Osten and his assistants.

WILL SOON WORK WINNIPEG SECTION

Plans About Completed for Survey From Abitibi to the Hub—How it is to be Managed.

OTTAWA, Dec. 12.—The transcontinental railway commission has almost completed the arrangements for sending out parties for surveying that part of the railway from Abitibi to Winnipeg. An official announcement to this effect as well as some of the details of the arrangements, will be issued in a few days.

There will be three districts manned by three district engineers. In this connection it may be mentioned that the commission is in touch with all the men on the survey from one end of the proposed line to the other. The district engineers report to the chief engineer, who assists the commissioners.

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Synopsis of Regulations

For the Disposal of Mineral on Dominion Lands in the Yukon Territory

GENERAL.

Persons of eighteen years and over and joint stock companies holding free miners' certificates may obtain entry for a mining location.

A free miner's certificate is granted for one or more years, not exceeding five, upon payment in advance of $7.50 per annum for an individual and from $50 to $100 per annum for a company according to capital.

Any person or company having an interest in a claim must hold a free miner's certificate continually from time of staking, or from the time they otherwise become interested in the property. Any person allowing his free miner's certificate to expire for ninety days without obtaining a renewal thereof running from the date of expiration shall forfeit to the crown all right he has in any mining property of which he may be the sole owner; and in case he is only a co-owner then his share will accrue to his co-owners pro rata to their former interests.

PLACER MINING.

Creek, gulch, river and hill claims are 250 feet in length, measured on the base line in the general direction of the creek, gulch or river. Creek and gulch claims are 2,000 feet in width, river and hill claims 1,000 feet and all other placer claims are 250 feet square.

Claims are marked by two posts, one at each end, with notices containing number of post, number or name of claim, description of claim, date of location and full Christian and surname of locator. Entry must be obtained within ten days if the claim is within ten miles of the Mining Recorder's Office. One extra day allowed for each additional ten miles or fraction.

The discoverer of a new mine is entitled to a creek, river or hill claim 1,000 feet in length, and a party of two discoverers to two claims 1,500 feet long altogether. Entry fee is $10.00 from the 6th of May, 1903, inclusive. Royalty at the rate of two and one-half per cent. on the value of all gold shipped from the Yukon Territory shall be paid to the Comptroller.

No free miner shall receive a grant for more than one mining claim on each separate river, creek or gulch, but the same miner may hold any number of claims by purchase and miners may work the claims in partnership up to the number of ten, by filing notice and paying fee of $2.00. A claim may be abandoned and another claim obtained on the same creek, gulch or river, by giving notice and paying a fee.

A part owner in a claim may on application file a lien against his co-owner's interest for his share of the representation work.

The holder of a creek, river or gulch claim may within sixty days from the date of location purchase from the Government an adjoining hill claim for $100.00.

In case a number of miners locate claims more than 100 miles from a mining recorder's office they may appoint one of their number a recorder, who shall take their applications and fees; this recorder must deliver the applications and fees to the nearest Mining Recorder within three months.

Work must be done on the claim each year to the value of at least $200.

A certificate that representation work has been done must be obtained each year; if not the claim shall be deemed to be abandoned and open to occupation and entry by a free miner.

If a claim is not renewed within three months subsequent to the date up to which it was recorded the claim shall be deemed to be abandoned and open to occupation and entry by a free miner.

The boundaries of a claim may be defined absolutely by having a survey made and publishing notices in the Yukon Official Gazette for twelve successive issues, but the survey must be first approved of by the Commissioner of the Territory.

A claim may be located on Sunday or any public holiday.

Any number of adjoining placer mining claims may be grouped to be worked by hydraulic process provided the Government mining engineer reports to the Commissioner of the Yukon Territory that the claims are suitable to be worked by such process in the opinion of the Government mining engineer with the approval of the Commissioner of the Yukon Territory.

SCHEDULE OF FEES TO BE CHARGED

For a free miner's certificate (for each year), $7.50.

For a free miner's certificate to a joint stock company having a nominal capital exceeding $100,000 (for each year), $100.00; under $100,000 capitalization, $50.00.

Each substituted certificate, $2.00.

Recording every claim, $10.00.

Recording every certificate of work, $2.00.

Recording every abandonment, including memorandum written on the record, $2.00.

For a certificate of partnership, $2.00.

Abstracts of titles, $2.00 and upwards.

Registration of assignments, $2.00.

Registration of other documents, $2.00 and upwards.

For changing number of claim and name, $5.00.

For renewing a free miner's certificate during the ninety days following the date of its expiration so as to have it run from said date of expiration, $5.00.

QUARTZ MINING.

A free miner having discovered mineral in place may locate a claim 1,500x1,500 feet by marking out the same with three legal posts, one at each end of the line of the lode or mine, and a third at the spot where the mineral in place has been discovered. All three posts must have the name of the claim, a description of the ground, date of location and locator's full name written legibly upon them. The discovery post shall be marked "Discovery Post" and the No. 1 post shall be marked "Initial Post."

The claim shall be recorded within fifteen days if located within ten miles of a Mining Recorder's office, one additional day allowed for every additional ten miles or fraction. The fee for recording a claim is $5.00.

At least $100.00 must be expended on the claim each year or paid to the Mining Recorder in lieu thereof. When $500.00 has been expended or paid, the locator may, upon having a survey made, and upon complying with other requirements, purchase the land at $1.00 per acre, and permission may be granted to group any number of adjoining claims up to eight in number for representation work, upon taking out a certificate of partnership before the commencement of the work.

COPPER.

Copper locations of not more than 160 acres in a square block will be granted to applicants, and not more than one location within an area of ten miles.

The grant for such location shall not give the right to mine any other minerals (except those that are combined or mixed with copper or copper ore), and in no case shall include free milling gold or silver.

The fee to be paid for such location of 160 acres shall be $20, and the same fee for each renewal.

DREDGING IN YUKON TERRITORY.

Six leases of five miles each may be granted to a free miner for a term of twenty years, also renewable.

The lessee's right is confined to the submerged bed or bars in the river below low water mark, that boundary to be fixed by its position on the first day of August in the year of the date of the lease.

The lessee shall have one dredge in operation within three years from the date of the lease, and one dredge for each five miles within six years from such date. Rental, $100 per mile for the first year, and $10 per mile for each subsequent year.

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