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**A \$500.00 REWARD**

**Offered by Will Clayson for His Brother's Body.**

**BLOOD HOUNDS TO COME FROM JUNEAU.**

**No Further Doubt That It is a Case of Murder.**

**Geo. Russel, of Dawson, Tells What He Knows of the Clayson Affair. Suspicious Circumstances Point to the Men now in Custody.**

(Special to the Daily Klondike Nugget.)  
Skagway, Jan. 13.—Excitement is running high here over the disappearance and probable murder of the Olsen, Relfe and Clayson party. Will Clayson, brother of the missing man of that name, has authorized the publication of the statement that he will pay a reward of \$500 for the discovery of the body of his brother, or for information which may lead to its recovery.

He has sent to Juneau for blood hounds and as soon as they arrive they will immediately be sent to Minto, the last point at which the men are known to have stopped.

Geo. Russell, of the Alaska Commercial Company, arrived here yesterday after a good trip out from Dawson. Russell reports that the impression exists all along the trail that the Olsen, Relfe, Clayson party has been murdered on the trail and their bodies disposed of by dragging into the woods along the trail. He corroborates the story that the last point at which the men are known to have stopped is Minto. They left that point on Christmas morning and never reached Hutchiku the next station.

Russel reports a suspicious circumstance which may throw some light upon the mystery which surrounds the disappearance of these men.

Russell states that on the day he passed Minto, a tent was noticed standing near a cache located about one mile below Minto. The tent was supposed to belong to two men who were suspected at Minto of having stolen a quantity of various goods from the cache.

Immediately after Christmas the two men disappeared. Investigation by the police resulted in the discovery of a rifle and other property in the tent which had been stolen from the cache.

It is presumed that the man arrested at Whitehorse was one of the two suspected characters known to be hanging around Minto. He gives his name as Miller, but it is a pretty generally accepted fact that his true name is O'Brien as previously stated.

Nothing is yet known definitely of the man under arrest at Tagish. It is generally accepted, however, that he is the other cache robber.

Russel states further that he discovered a deep hole near the trail just above Minto, but no indication of a struggle of any kind was at hand.

Skagway, Jan. 13.—A report has

reached here that the body of Lineman Olsen, who is presumed to have been murdered on the trail has been found. No particulars are given.

(The above was referred to Major Perry, who stated to a Nugget representative that he had received no confirmation of any such rumor.)

**PLAGUE AT MANILA.**  
Seattle, via Skagway, Jan. 13.—A terrible plague has broken out at Manila from which a great many deaths among American soldiers have resulted. The same disease is prevalent at Honolulu at which point a shotgun quarantine has been established.

**A. D. Scroggie Will Leave.**  
Mr. A. D. Scroggie who for some months past has been acting in the capacity of manager for the firm of Orr & Tukey, the largest packing and freighting concern in the city, has severed his connection with that firm and leaves tomorrow for the coast.

Mr. Scroggie goes out as the confidential representative of the Nugget Express, with which company he has associated himself. He will visit all the coast cities as well as the great business centers of the East, and will complete arrangements, for some time past in process of negotiation, for the extension of the Nugget Express service over the great express systems of the States and Canada. The outlook for the express business for Dawson during the coming season is very bright. Numerous contracts are being taken by the Nugget Express for the early delivery of consignments from the coast, and Mr. Scroggie will give his personal attention also to facilitating the transmission of all shipments which are to come in the early summer.

He will also undertake for the patrons of the company the transaction of any business of a confidential nature, to which personal and careful attention may be required.

Mr. Scroggie has a splendid dog team, with which to make the trip and his many friends and business associates in Dawson wish him bon voyage.

**Wants His Share.**  
A few days ago a man in Dawson picked up an old paper containing the following:

"Last year Kansas produced over 70,000,000 bushels of wheat—enough to give a bushel to each man, woman and child in the United States."

The Dawsonite immediately wrote the following letter and is now living in blissful anticipation:

"To any flouring mill in Kansas:  
"Please get my bushel of wheat, grind it, keep one half for your trouble and forward the other half to me. I am hungry."

**The Churches Tomorrow.**

Catholic—Mass, 9 a. m.; matins, 10:30 a. m. Sunday school, 2:30 p. m.; evening service, 7. Rev. Father Gendreau, priest in charge.

Church of England—Second Sunday after the Epiphany. Morning, 11; Sunday school, 3 p. m.; evening, 7. Rev. H. A. Naylor, rector.

Presbyterian—Morning, 11; Bible class, 3 p. m.; Christian endeavor, 6:30 p. m.; evening, 7. Rev. J. J. Wright, minister.

Methodist—Morning, 11; Sunday school, 2:30 p. m.; prayer meeting, 6:30 p. m.; evening, 7. Rev. A. E. Hetherington, pastor.

Salvation Army—afternoon, 3; evening, 7:30.

**Persons Wanted.**

D. F. Grant, Benjamin G. Haigh, Michael H. Ash, Frederick Carpenter, George Sebinpf, Bernhard Deiper, John Harrison, Frank Zimund, W. A. McFarland, Andrew Knudson, Duncan McPhail, William L. McDonald, Capt.

James Davey, William Lawrence, Julian B. Smith, Wilfred Robert, John Hawtry, Dr. Martin, Albert McConnell, C. Preston, Silas Alfred Banks, J. C. Johnson, W. Quinton Mason, John Starr, O. H. Becker.

Any information concerning any of the above should be left at the town station, N. W. M. P.

**Building Operations.**

The burned district will soon present a lively appearance. Of those who were burned out, Carl Hans has rebuilt. Harry Carsow will rebuild the Judge cigar store. Ben Levy is figuring on replacing his old block with an elegant two story structure, with stores down stairs and offices on the upper floor. The latter to be the best in the city. Tom O'Brien and Geo. Apple have asked for bids on a new building, but cannot say at present when they will commence operations.

Chas. Miller has a force of men rebuilding the Merchant's Cafe.

**PERSONAL MENTION.**

Turner Townsend will leave Monday for Victoria on a business trip intending to return on the ice. He will use the famous Atwater dog team going out.

Frank Stone, Mons Overland, Oscar Cling, Alfred Johnson, Garret Welsh, Edward Holmes and Edward Johnson, all from Juneau, arrived last night, making the trip from Skagway in 17 days. All are bound for Nome, but will lay over in Dawson for some time.

Chas. Brown, formerly of Brown and Cole, accompanied by Mrs. Brown, are registered at the Klondike. They arrived last night, 13 days from Skagway, having come direct from New York city. They have visited all the large cities since leaving Dawson. Mr. Brown says we may expect an average of 15 arrivals a day with a steady increase from now until spring.

**POLICE COURT.**

F. C. Capies vs. Hester & Hardwick for wages due, was, as in the foregoing, changed and adjourned for a week.

O'Dell vs. R. E. Talbot for \$52.75, wages earned by O'Dell for packing to 75 Dominion. The debt was acknowledged and an order was issued for payment of the \$52.75 and costs in five days.

B. Elster was arraigned before Major Perry this morning for violating the health laws by committing a nuisance on the public streets. No defense was entered and a fine of \$2 and costs was imposed.

The case of Carter vs. Hester & Hardwick for \$299 wages was heard this morning. The defendants held that the amount was incurred under the firm of Hester, Hardwick & Waud—Capt. Waud being now deceased. The debt was acknowledged, and every effort had been made hitherto to pay the amount of plaintiff's and the other workmen's wages. The order was altered to include Capt. Waud's name, and was adjourned till next Saturday, meanwhile a warrant was issued against the public administrator.

Bargains—Watches and diamonds at reduced prices. Uncle Hoffman.

Shoff, the Dawson Dog Doctor, Pioneer Drug Store.

Warm offices for rent in the A. C. Co. office building. M. I. Stevens, Room 3, agent.

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**DESPERATE FIGHTING.**

**Boers Entirely Surround Ladysmith.**

**REPULSED BY BAYONET CHARGE.**

**England Orders an Unlimited Supply of Artillery.**

**Fleeing in Seattle of Boer Sympathizers.—A Volunteer Corps to Go to Their Assistance.—Oom Paul's Nephew Talks.**

(Special to the Daily Klondike Nugget.)  
London, via Skagway, Jan. 13.—News of desperate fighting which occurred around Ladysmith on Jan. 7th is just at hand. On that date, the Boers having entirely surrounded the town, closed in from all sides in a desperate attempt to take the town by storm.

Buller's men were driven from the entrenchments three times, but every time returned at charge bayonets and the Boers were finally repulsed at a heavy loss. The situation of Ladysmith, however, is still critical.

**MORE MEN.**  
London, via Skagway, Jan. 13.—Twenty-five thousand more men will be sent to the Transvaal as soon as transports for their carriage can be secured.

**MORE ARTILLERY.**  
London, via Skagway, Jan. 13.—Every manufactory of heavy artillery in England has received unlimited orders for heavy artillery from the war department. All are running at their fullest capacity and the government agrees to take the entire product for an unspecified length of time.

**MAY BRING TROUBLE.**  
New York, via Skagway, Jan. 13.—The World in its issue of the 5th inst. reviews at length the history of the Boer war up to that date. In the course of a long editorial comment it says that British disasters in South Africa are urging on very strongly a distinct revolutionary feeling in England.

**BOER SYMPATHISERS.**  
Seattle, via Skagway, Jan. 13.—A monster mass meeting was held in Seattle on the 8th inst as an expression of sympathy for the Boers. The meeting was addressed by President Kruger's nephew, who is on a mission through the States endeavoring to raise men and money to be forwarded to the Transvaal. It was stated at the meeting that a company of volunteers for the Boer army would be organized. The movement, as yet, has received little practical sympathy.

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## LAWS RESPONSIBLE.

Elsewhere in this issue will be found interviews with representative business and professional men as to the effect upon Dawson of the promised spring stampede to Nome.

These expressions of opinion were sought from men who, having important interests in Dawson and on the adjacent creeks, and hence being brought constantly in touch with the life of the community, are well qualified to judge of the matter concerning which they have been asked to speak.

It will be seen that a very large proportion of them take substantially the view many times expressed in these columns to wit: the regulations now on the statute books for the government of this territory and more especially those designed for the control of the mining industry, will ultimately result in the practical depopulation of the territory unless radical modifications are forthcoming.

The government at Ottawa has been informed through petition, through letters and through the statements of responsible men who have gone to the capital for that specific purpose, of the evil which the laws have wrought in this territory. The plea of ignorance of conditions can stand no longer. If Ottawa is still in ignorance that ignorance can be described only by the term "criminal." Petitions, letters and personal representations have been answered by legislation so restrictive and so prejudicial to the best interest of the territory, that hope which buoys the human spirit under the most trying circumstances is rapidly giving place to a feeling of helplessness.

Thus it comes, as shown in the interviews referred to above, that men are giving up valuable interests and making enormous sacrifices to cast themselves into the maelstrom of humanity that will be found at Nome next summer.

The legislation for the government of this territory has been a travesty upon justice from beginning to end. When will it cease?

## NOME EXCITEMENT.

The excitement being caused by flattering reports from Nome is but a repetition of what was witnessed on the outside, and especially in the Puget sound country in the summer and fall of 1897, when the news of the fabulous wealth of the Klondike was heralded throughout the land. Then it was that business men left their stores, bankers their banks, clerks their counters, farmers their plows, smiths their forges and loafers their haunts, and all joined in one mad rush to the land of golden promise. The wealth of the country had not been overestimated. Gold was here

in abundance. It is still here in millions of dollars and is being taken out by hundreds. Old Mother Earth is giving up her riches to those who, having secured a claim on her surface, are delving into her interior. Yet, but a small, very small percentage of those who were in the mad rush and who have since come are getting a portion of that wealth except as it is earned by the exercise of bone and sinew in the form of manual labor.

The history of the Klondike will, in a great measure, be repeated at Nome, which place is now the Mecca of, at a low estimate, 100,000 people. That there is gold in abundance is as true of Nome as it was of the Klondike, but that a few will get it to the exclusion of thousands, will also be just as true of Nome as it was and is of this district. But the Nome rush is on and will continue with more vim, vigor and energy than was ever displayed by the Klondike craze.

Thousands were poor when they left the states years ago to seek redress from poverty in this country. They are still poor and see no prospects of bettering their conditions. Such being the case, they are going to some still in quest of the phantom wealth. Their experiences at Nome will, in many cases, be but a repetition of their lives here. The masses will endure hardships and exposure and, after two more years of privation will, if no new field further on is discovered, return to their former homes on the outside, aged in years, doubly aged in appearance, broken in purse and in health, and rich only in that great American characteristic: Love of adventure, and with the spirit which prompted them to start out years before still alive and responsive to the reports of other Eldorados.

## QUARTZ POSSIBILITIES.

Before the placer mines now being worked in the Yukon territory are in any degree exhausted, there will be quartz discoveries made sufficiently valuable to insure their development on a large scale within a short time.

Already tests and assays have been made of ore taken from various localities on the Yukon between Dawson and Five Finger rapids which demonstrate beyond the peradventure of a doubt that quartz mining on a large scale is only a matter of a short time away.

By the middle of next summer the railroad will have reached Whitehorse and from that point down the river its construction will depend merely upon the outlook for business on the lower river.

We apprehend that within another year at the farthest sufficient quartz development will have been accomplished to warrant the construction of the railroad through to Dawson.

With this issue the Daily Klondike Nugget reaches the dignity of being one week old. The reception which the paper has met at the hands of Dawson's citizens has gone far beyond the most sanguine expectations of the publishers. The Daily Klondike Nugget is an established, accomplished fact. We aim to present the news briefly and just as it is, without coloring. That this policy commends itself to the intelligence of the community is amply demonstrated by a steady and constantly increasing patronage.

# ARMY OF 80,000 NEEDED.

## So Says German Officer Writing to London Times.

### Boers Are Acclimated and Well Provided With Horses and Munitions of War.

A German officer, writing from London Times, says an exchange, confidently asserts that Great Britain will need 50,000 more troops in South Africa before it can conquer the Boers. He estimates the Boer force at 50,000 and he holds that it is hopeless to try to overcome this with an army of 80,000, all told, as the British are planning to do.

The British are compelled not only to subdivide their forces but also to reduce them at each advance by leaving behind garrisons to hold the rear communications open. The climate is also new to the troops, making a considerable percentage of sickness inevitable. The Boers have plenty of horses, ammunition, and food and are familiar with every yard of the country. They can find Dutch sympathizers throughout Natal and Cape Colony to give them aid. They can stand privations that would kill British soldiers and they can shoot. They have adopted a guerrilla mode of attack which is fairly certain to prolong the war indefinitely. The German military critic calculates that at least one-half of the present British force will be frittered away in garrisons of occupation, in keeping open the base lines, in checking uprisings among the Cape and Natal Dutch, in sick lists and the like, leaving only 40,000 men for active service on the fighting line. This force would be inadequate to crush 50,000 able bodied and determined Boers.

There are many reasons for believing that the German expert is correct. The English in South Africa are confronted, says an American exchange, with conditions much like those which we had to face in Luzon, only the Boers are more formidable enemies than the Filipinos. When we went into the Philippine campaign we thought 15,000 to 20,000 men would be enough to crush Aguinaldo. Such a force would have been sufficient if the nature of the country and the methods of the enemy had been different. But we learned by hard experience that the conditions required a force out of all proportion with the numerical strength of the enemy, and we have been compelled to send a total of about 65,000 men to complete the task. The Boers have all the natural advantages in their favor, the same as the Filipinos had, and one Boer is worth a dozen Filipinos when it comes to using a rifle with deadly effect. The distance in time from London to the South African fighting line is greater than that from San Francisco to Manila, and the British are at a disadvantage at every step.

Unless the Boers make some egregious strategic blunder—which they are less likely to do than the British—the invading army has more of a task cut out for it than it seems able to master.

It will not be in the least surprising if Great Britain is compelled to send another army corps to South Africa before General Buller dines in Pretoria.

### A Metropolitan Grocery Store.

J. L. Timmons, who has officiated as host at many a convivial party at the Cafe Royal has closed that resort and opened in the same place a first-class and modern grocery concern.

The store is fitted up in regular metropolitan style and the shelvings are loaded with fresh and inviting looking goods, evidently just opened from their cases. Mr. Timmons is an old hand at this business, as is evident by the appearance of his store. It is his intention to build up a large family trade and sell in quantities along all the creeks.

Call and see our stock of playing cards, leather pocket case with each pack. Nugget office.

## LOCAL BREVITIES.

The U. S. consulate is now located in room 6 of the Aurora block.

Geo. Woodworth, who was reported as dying from the effects of blood poisoning, is rapidly recovering.

Opera house performers may obtain their clothes and wardrobe, which was saved from the fire by calling on Constable Booth.

Acting U. S. Consul Adams says that since December 1st, no fewer than 19 expeditions have started out for Nome, each party averaging from four to five persons.

On account of the fire, the raffle of Mrs. Anderson's watch, which was to have taken place on Wednesday evening is postponed until Tuesday at 8 p. m., when it will be held at Mrs. Fancher's on Second avenue.

Emil Stauff has just returned from a visit to all the important creeks in the Klondike and Indian river districts. The general outlook is good, he says, for a prosperous season. The mines are worked with economy as the watchword, and claims which were valueless last year can now be worked at a profit.

The Palace Grand will open tonight, an agreement having been entered into by which Mr. Meadows gives a half interest in the business to O'Brien and Jennings and Leo and Conchita; the later to furnish a company with a \$1000 a week salary list. Mr. Meadows refused a \$1000 a week cash offer, \$8000 to be paid in advance.

The little steamer Aquilla will soon be refitted for a trip to Nome. She will have in tow the lighter Rock Island. The Aquilla, though she has been roughly used, will prove to be a money maker on Norton sound, for if properly repaired she can show her heels to anything afloat in northern waters. Billy Perkins will have the boat in charge.

When the recent fire broke out, Mr. and Mrs. Harry O'Brien of the Opera house, who occupied a cabin in the rear of that building, began to pack up their possessions. Mrs. O'Brien first put all the family cash, amounting to \$70, in a purse which she left for a moment on a stool. In the meantime, others came to assist the family in the work of moving. The purse—well, the purse has not since been seen.

In Thursday's issue of the Daily Nugget mention was made of the departure from this place five weeks ago of F. F. Matlock for his home in Skagway, and also that no word of his arrival had been received. Thursday evening his brother J. D. Matlock of this city wired to Skagway asking for his welfare. An answer received last evening states that W. F. Matlock arrived safely in Skagway and later went below on business to Pendleton, Oregon.

All singers who are lovers of high class music are invited to attend practices which will be begun next Friday evening at 8:30 in St. Paul's church. It is proposed to give a concert, as soon as selections can be prepared, for the benefit of the Good Samaritan hospital, and much pleasure is anticipated of the program. This notice should meet with a hearty response in consideration of the object in view.

Mohr & Wilkins have made another assault on the grocery trade of Dawson. Not satisfied with the purchase of the Hoffman stock, they have today completed the purchase of the entire stock carried by Borand and Windhorst, on Third street. These gentlemen evidently believe there is a future in Dawson, as they are continually increasing their stock whenever opportunity presents itself. It is to be hoped that this belief may be borne out by the fact.

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# LAWS ARE RUINOUS.

So Say Dawson's Representative Business Men.

WILL DRIVE MEN TO CAPE NOME.

Klondike Is Rich, But Is Being Strangled.

Opinions as to What Effect the Coming Nome Stampede Will Have on the Future of Dawson.

The general impression which prevails in and about Dawson that the opening of navigation will see a tremendous exodus of people from Dawson to the new gold fields of Nome, induced the Daily Nugget to solicit from representative business and professional men expressions of opinion relative to the effect which the coming stampede will have upon the future of Dawson.

Every man was asked his opinion without any knowledge of what any other man had said, and it will be noticed that there is a striking unanimity of belief that the present laws enforced in the Yukon country have more to do with taking men from Dawson than the riches, real or imaginary, of the Nome diggings. Many of those interviewed expressed themselves at length, but the statements given represent in concise form their views as given to a Nugget reporter:

Judge Davis, Bank block—It will take out everyone who has not important interests. The severity of the old laws and the late relocation law has as much effect as Cape Nome itself. Business will certainly decline for a while.

Postmaster Hartman—It will make Dawson dull for a few months, but it will quickly recover. The gold is here.

Jim McCauley, of McCauley Bros.—I don't think it will effect Dawson materially.

Tom Chisholm—The Indians will be drying salmon in the business houses next year, unless there is some one left to collect a fishing license.

Harry Fazon, Bank saloon—From now until navigation opens it will be a benefit, after that a great detriment to Dawson.

D. W. Davis, collector of customs—It will make Dawson much better next year. I don't think it will make it very dull even this year.

Tom O'Brien—No effect whatever.

Edgar Mizner, A. C. Co.—It will cause every man who has not important interests to go. Cape Nome is not so much the attraction as the unsatisfactory laws here. There they get all they make. Here only a small percentage.

Bob Roberts, cashier Bartlett Bros—Every man will leave here who has not important interests. Business depression will follow.

Falcon Joslyn, mining broker—A larger cleanup than ever will be distributed among less people, making it more prosperous for those who remain.

John Nelson, Klondike hotel—It will be a good thing for Dawson. Get out the floating population.

M. D. Rainbow, manager Standard Oil Co.—Will depress all business except steamboating. Many will return, for there's considerable sand in that Cape Nome gold.

Sid H. Stewart, cashier N. A. T. & T. Co.—Will cause a few months' business depression, but the mines here must be worked and others will take the place of those who go. Business will hereafter be on a more firm basis.

H. E. Stumer—Don't think it will result unfavorably to Dawson, only for a few months. Next year will be better than this.

Harry Edwards manager Hotel McDonald—It will induce good results. The non producers will leave. Those who remain will be bettered.

Dr Yemans, agent Empire line—It will cause a great depression unless haste is made in changing the laws. The greatest placer camp in the world could not be so easily effected unless burdensome laws impeded its development.

Joe Burke, manager Yukon sawmill—It isn't Cape Nome that's effecting Dawson. It's the severe mining laws. Men were leaving before Cape Nome was struck.

M. A. Hammell—There will be dull times for a few months, but business will pick up towards fall. If the laws were not so bad we would never feel the Nome stampede.

Murray Eades, proprietor Pavillion—I guess we'll have a few dull months, but it will be a benefit to Dawson eventually. The mining laws here have much to do with the stampede.

C. C. McCaul, advocate—It will give the town a temporary set back, but it will soon revive on a better basis.

Sargent, of Sargent & Pinska—It will make business good this spring, but I look forward to a very quiet summer.

Scott Lindsay, A. C. Co.—It may be dull for some time, but it will cause business enterprises to be better regulated, and labor put on a firmer basis.

I. F. Brown—Will cause a decline in business until 1901. We have a richer country here than at Nome, and we also have some drawbacks.

Gates D. Fahnestock, general agent Empire line—Indications point to a big exodus. But Dawson is too good a camp to be seriously affected. The camp will regain permanent stability with combinations of interests and modern and economical methods of mining.

Dr. S. B. Cooke, Ladue Co.—Dawson might be slow for a while, but it is too rich a camp for it to be permanently effected. I expect to see a great revival in business in 1900.

W. P. Skilling, manager Hobbs, builder and contractor—I think it will take out the surplus population. The town will then build up more substantially, as the conservatives are the ones who will remain. I think brick buildings will gradually take the place of frame.

Supintendent Heron, A. C. Co.—It will cause Dawson to be dull for a few months, but will eventually benefit the place.

J. E. Booge, Yukon hotel—I want to see the man, or even the picture of the man who isn't going to Nome. Ha! ha! ha!

H. D. Hulme, of Tabor and Hulme—Our town, I am sorry to say, will be most seriously effected. The miners are fairly strangled by the unjust laws, and the reason of other conditions. We have clients with claims aggregating \$8000 for labor performed last winter, and their cases cannot come up until next summer. Men are sacrificing good interests to get out of the country. The last straw was the regulation governing relocations. I believe they have killed the goose that laid the golden egg.

H. E. Ridley, of Pattulo and Ridley—Forty per cent of the population will go, some to find their way back. Men are sacrificing good interests who will regret doing so. I believe many more are going since the re-location laws went into effect.

Alex McDonald—Dawson will be a good town in a way, but the down river rush will injure the place seriously.

People are leaving who see nothing to remain for. There is no encouragement to prospect. There is less money made here working a rich claim than anywhere; also on the ordinary well paying ore. Men who come here for labor are prompted by the hope of striking something on their own account. The government gets half of the ground he finds and 10 per cent of what he takes out, so you see he'll go to most any place that will give him all he finds for himself. Here's an illustration: On 36 Sulphur I cleaned up 3000 ounces. It cost 4000 ounces to produce

it. The government demands the payment immediately of the 10 per cent royalty: I had to pay out in excess of production 1000 ounces. So, you see, the government took \$4800 of my own money. The laws must be changed to develop the country, and with small revenues coming in from extensively developed country they will receive as much as they are now taking from a small district. To open a country you must encourage the prospectors, and they are all leaving here now.

## THE AUTOMOBILE.

It doesn't shy at papers  
As they blow along the street;  
It cuts no silly capers  
On the dashboard with its feet;  
It doesn't paw the sod up all around the hitching post,  
It doesn't scare at shadows as a man would at a ghost;

It doesn't gnaw the manger,  
It doesn't waste the hay,  
Nor put you into danger  
When the brass bands play.

It makes no wild endeavor  
To switch away the flies;  
It sheds no hair that ever  
Gets in your mouth and eyes;  
It speeds along the highways and never looks around  
For things that it may scare at and spill you on the ground;

It doesn't mind the circus,  
It's not at all afraid,  
And it doesn't overwork us  
When the elephants parade.

It doesn't rear and quiver  
When the train goes rushing by;  
It doesn't stand and shiver  
When the little snowflakes fly;

It doesn't mind the thunder nor the lightning's blinding flash;  
It doesn't keep you chirping and connecting with the lash;

It never minds the banners  
They display on holidays;  
It's a thing of proper manners  
Which it shows in many ways.

When you chance to pass its stable  
You do not have to care,  
Or cluck for all you're able  
To keep from stopping there!

It will work all through the day,  
And still be fresh at night.  
There is no one to arrest you if you do not use it right!

Its wheelings ne'er distress you  
As it moves along the way—  
Farewell old hobbin; bless you!  
You were all right in your day.  
—From the Chicago Times-Herald.

## Quartz Locations.

Considerable local interest, we are told, is being centered on quartz locations in and around the vicinity of the Dome. Locations have been surveyed and every effort is being made to commence work as soon as possible. Several firms have lately come forward and have and still are devoting their energies to quartz interests. This is undoubtedly a rich quartz camp, and this may be looked upon as the initial movement in the direction of making Dawson substantial in the way of largely capitalized concerns.

## Just Around the Corner.

Having been driven off of First avenue by fire, Joseph Gandolfo has secured temporary quarters on Third street, next to the Bank Cafe, where he is now doing business and will be glad to serve all his old customers, and the public generally, with the finest brands of cigars and tobaccos, candies and nuts of all kinds, magazines, papers, etc.

## Hard Luck Telegrams.

A well known young man who has been on the outside on a visit arrived in Skagway the other day evidently having lived up to the limit while in the states. Having "tapped" himself for steamboat fare, he could not return until his finances were somewhat better, so he sent the following telegram:

"Fred—, Dawson. Stuck here, going in. Telegraph me \$250.

"ALEX."  
And the same day he received this answer:

"Alex—, Skagway. Stuck here, going out. Wire me \$500.  
"FRED."

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## Ho for Bennett.

H. A. Matheson will leave for the coast on or about Jan. 20. Mr. Matheson has two splendid horses and proposes to carry three or four passengers to Bennett in the quickest time possible, and every precaution will be taken to avoid any accidents or delays en route. For further information apply at store on Hunker creek or to Emil Mohr, Mohr & Wilkins' store, Dawson.

## The Down Town Bank.

The business of the down town branch of the Canadian Bank of Commerce, will until further notice, be transacted at the main office near the barracks. The books and records of the branch were removed to the main office before the fire, and the large fire and burglar proof safe, weighing 6600 pounds, can now be seen standing without even a scratch in the ruins of the fire.

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Never in Dawson's social history has there been such a marked event as was the masquerade ball given in the Palace Grand opera house last night. The best people of Dawson were out en masse and in masque, and the fact was unquestionably established that Dawson has a "four hundred" just the same as cities and towns "back home," and at the hall last night were seen just as fine dresses and costumes and as elegant Chesterfieldian male attire as was ever worn at a Bradley-Martin function. But in behalf of those who had the affair in charge we take pleasure in stating that, while there were a few oversights in the issuing of invitations, such omissions were wholly unintentional and are greatly deplored, and the few who were overlooked must not for a moment entertain the delusive idea that the social ban is upon them.

It was 10:30 o'clock when the melodious strains of the grand march were heard from Sergeant McKinnon's crack military band of 12 pieces, and upwards of 50 couples all in mask participated in the march, and for one and three-quarters hours the terpsichorean god stalked rampant amidst the large array of unknown. At 12:15 the grand march was again rendered, and, with every participant on the floor, came from floor manager in stentorian tones the one word "unmask." Then followed the usual merriment and "you needn't think I didn't know you."

After unmasking the regular dance program was distributed and from that time until after 4 o'clock this mirth and gaiety held high carnival, the motto of the management being "On with the dance, let joy be unconfined."

In the theater lobby elegant refreshments, supplied from the Regina Club hotel, were served by a large and experienced corps of attendants from 1 o'clock until after 4. Refreshing iced drinks were served all the evening and night.

The ladies who were chosen as patronesses and who ably filled the honored positions are Mesdames Mahoney, Hammel, Staines and Kelly. While each member of the various committees discharged their duties well and ably, special praise is due Mr. Forrest of the N. A. T. & T. force for his untiring and unceasing efforts to make it the eminent success it fully proved to be.

Those to whom invitations were extended, nearly all of whom were present, were:

Mr. and Mrs. Andrews, Mr. and Mrs. Ames, Mr. and Mrs. Annance, Miss Adler, Messrs. Atkinson, Adair, Agnew, E. C. and G. M. Allen, H. Ames, R. D. Atkinson, Mr. and Mrs. Booke, Miss Booge, Mr. and Mrs. B. Jurmark, Mr. and Mrs. Boyker, Mr. and Mrs. Bray, Mr. and Mrs. Burnett, Mr. and Mrs. Brown, Mrs. Bromell, Mrs. Burrell, Messrs. Beattie, Bulduc, Buchanan, Bridges, Bayer, L. Brown, Burns, Buck, Capt. Biles, Butler, Dr. Barrett, E. W. Brown, E. Beattie, Buel, Burpee, Barrett, Mr. and Mrs. Burke, Misses Coats, Mr. and Mrs. Crawford, Mr. and Mrs. Calderhead, Mr. and Mrs. Chute, Mr. and Mrs. Crawford, Mr. and Mrs. Clayton, Mr. and Mrs. Cahill, Mr. and Mrs. Chisholm, Mr. and Mrs. Clark, Misses Crowley, Comer, Garr, Croft, Messrs. O. H. Clark, A. W. Clark, Chapler, Cahoon, Carpenter, Cribbs, Gowman, J. J. Chisholm, Clark, Dr. Cassels, Calvert, Crickton, Cantley, Craig, Bartley, Judge and Mrs. Dugan, Mr. and Mrs. Davidson, Mr. and Mrs. DeLobel, Misses De

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Of the above the following were en masque:

Mrs. L. K. Hill, gay Parisian; Mrs. A. D. Williams, Klondike Nugget; Miss McIntosh, Yukon Sun; Mesdames Dumbolton, gypsy queen; Jory, Little Red Riding Hood; Sawyer, ace of spades, yellow and black; Kelly, ace of hearts, white and red; W. J. Stewart, Maud Muller; Calderhead, school girl; Sale, folly; Raap, school girl; J. J. Crawford, Quakeress; Ed. Crawford, Turkish lady; S. H. Stewart, Japanese woman; Ray, Norman peasant; Roberts, dazzler; F. A. Crawford, Turkish girl; W. Richardson, school girl; Burrell, Boyker, twin babies; Alex McDonald, Carmine; Mass, fancy costume; West, folly; Timmins, chrysanthemum girl; Dr. Mosher, night. Messrs. Wood, Tudiadore; Griffin and Vaut, Reuben and Miranda; Wiley, English bloke; Williams, weeping angel; Buchman, His Satanic Majesty; McTavish, Highland costume; Stewart, Irish gentleman; Flowers, jockey; O'Neil, domino; Calhoun, seaside; Mackey, Count of Monte Cristo; Dumbolton, clown; Taggart, U. S. cadet; Wilson, Henry VIII; Foster, Spanish gladiator; Wissel, one little girl in blue; Byrne, Louis XIV; Mc Donald, clown; Kelly, Spanish cavalier; Chisholm, cavalier; Sale, sunflower-clown; Barrett, knight of the 14th century; Healy, Uncle Sam; Capt. Healey, Uncle Hoffman; Forrest, clown; Jackson and Earhardt, Bert Hans and Katrina; Smith, school girl; Hawkins, Rain-in-the-Face; Weir, Irish gentleman; Tukey, Paul Jones; Richardson, Squarehead Yumperson; Woodruff, Buffalo Bill; Canion, Louis XIV; Hebb, Sour Dough; McKenzie, Monte Cristo; Ames, civilian; Atkinson, Courtier; Prichard, Turk; Timmins, police captain; Lindsay, summer picnic boy; Davis, page; Crawford, Uncle Isaac. Misses Coats, Highland lassie; Hughes, orange girl; Vaughn, spring; Barbier, Sapho; Crowley, Gainesboro girl; Pratt, Ermine; Woodworth, gypsy girl; Gandolfo, school girl; Johns, autumn; Adler, British officer; Portier, ballet girl; Carr, Swiss peasant girl; Mosher, Turkish girl; Gandolfo, little girl.

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