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ANOTHER GRAFT ON THE MINERS.

Anything May Be Expected Done That Will Add to Their Burdens.

A Tramway That Is Not a Tramway—Exact Toll From the Tolling Miner—Charges Nothing If Going in Opposite Direction.

It seems as though there was to be no rest or let up of any kind for the miner fortunate or unfortunate enough to have located upon Bonanza or Eldorado creeks. The Nugget has from time to time called loud attention to the fact that police, soldiers and royalty have been piled upon the exertions of those who came into this country and delved for gold, and yet the government has failed to even scarcely to the extent of one dollar expend a penny that would assist the sturdy miner in reaching his claim over the most frequented trails.

Arriving at the summits, marking the entrances to the Yukon territory, the prospector and developer of the country is met with authority which immediately proceeds to assess him in the shape of duty. With all the show of authority he is stopped en route and required to show his papers and have his freight and baggage pass examination. Arriving at Dawson, the headquarters of the "Fronadike" District, he finds he cannot engage in mining until he has obtained a miner's license and is again assessed. Notwithstanding his license reads that "he may engage in fishing, shooting and cutting of timber for actual necessities, for building houses, boats and general mining operations," he finds himself in the hands of the strong arm of the law and authority at almost every turn when cutting his firewood for his Yukon stove. The newest and latest extortion, however, which he must endure is a tax for walking to and fro between his cache in Dawson or where he has been purchasing his supplies and his humble little cabin on his claim out of which his hopes and ambitions, spurred on possibly by remembrances of those near and dear to him he has left behind, he hopes to secure the fortune which will lighten the burdens of father, mother, brothers, sisters, wife or child.

The matter we refer to particularly is the Bonanza Tramway road extending from a point in the Klondike river opposite Dawson to Bonanza Forks. Long and many have been the complaints pouring into the Nugget office concerning this deal. Miners leaving their claims for Dawson to obtain a fresh supply of necessities have suddenly found themselves confronted with a cry of "Halt! Stand and deliver!" and there stood a toll-keeper to extract from him 1 cent per pound for the freight he was hauling on his sled, the ground for the charge being that he was traveling over the "Tramway Road."

Desiring to know positively and accurately the manner of handling this matter two Nugget representatives on Tuesday afternoon loaded a sled with flour, fruit, candles and beans to the extent of 30 pounds and, with four dogs, proceeded to "mush-on" toward Bonanza Forks. Leaving the Klondike ice at a short distance below the upper ferry, they were soon on the Bonanza trail, only to arrive shortly at a toll-station railed in on one side by a long log, and on the other by an office, beside which stood a pair of freight scales.

Not desiring to notice this, the team was called to a halt by a gentleman who demanded to know "what weight was upon the sled?" The Nugget man asked him "why he wanted to know, and by what authority he was 'held up.'" "Because you are travelling on the tramway," replied the apparent official in charge. "Well," said one of the pretended miners, "we have tramped this trail all summer with packs upon our backs and we decline to pay now." "All right," said the toll gate keeper, "you'll be stopped by the guards up the trail." "All right," answered the newspaper men, "we'll go up against the guards," and putting action to the word "mushed on" again. About claim No. 91 they were accosted and halted by a person in the civilian dress prevalent in this country, who demanded to know if they had a "pass." Being devoid of this apparently necessary document they inquired "by what right he had stopped them," and asked further for his authority or credentials empowering him to do so. He stated "that he was only instructed by O'Brien and Benning not to allow any freight to pass unless toll had been paid them."

Declining to pay him any more than they had the toll below, they attempted to pass on, when the guard, H. A. Dempsey, laid hands upon one of the newspaper men and ordered him back. This was sufficient for the purposes required, when the team was turned about and headed for Dawson, not before, however, stopping once more at the above-mentioned toll house, where in a comfortable log cabin, set a man before a large pair of gold scales, counting a roll of bills, gold, silver and dust. Asked if they charged

freight from the Forks to Dawson, Mr. W. H. Browning, the wicket, replied that he had no instructions to do so, and bidding the gentlemen "good evening," the scribes returned to the city.

Looking up the dictionary we find a "Tram" described as a "railway car," and "Tramway" as a "horse railroad," and closely as could be observed, neither appeared in evidence, not even the rails for a railway car to run upon. Where on earth, other than in this Yukon Territory—this land of police, and soldiers and councils—could such an imposition be worked? Where would men enduring the hardships and trials they have endured reaching here, the struggles to secure their rights after staking their claims stand such grafts as this incident to be? Why is there a charge of freight from Dawson up the creek and none in the reverse direction? Why is not the wear and tear on this "Tramway" as great coming from the Forks to Dawson as going the other way? Why should men who have during the months of summer when bog and mud and niggerheads required them to pack their precious grub upon their backs, now that the frost and snow have made a passable trail, be compelled to pay tribute to a tramway line which on being built employed men to use their own shovels, picks, axes, adzes, saws and augurs, supply their own grub, and yet has not the sign of a rail upon which may be operated a tramway car? When will the sturdy man who has made this country what it is stand a little upon their manhood and deny the right to be imposed upon at every turn? By what right under the sun is a toll collected upon the miner's necessities, clearly purchased as they are, over a road a portion of which has been taken from their own trail, and the miner be compelled to either pay this tribute to the coffers of those who build comfortable log cabins for toll collectors to warm their toes in, and smile at having charged the man 50 or 75 cents more because he refused to take the scaler's weights? But why ask more questions. We have not attempted yet to ask all the Nugget is prepared to ask. Sufficient is here shown to expose another graft upon the miner and his necessities. This country was destined to be governed justly, and it was never intended that the Yukon territory should become a despotism. Action is being taken on the creeks to erect this new extortion and imposition, and the miners should leave no stone unturned to see that these extortions and impositions are resisted.

A Clever Forgery.

The tickets for Captain Jack's entertainment on Sunday night were printed on long strips of white cardboard with a good copper plate likeness of the man in sombrero and long hair at one end and the printing at the other. It never occurred to anyone that the small price of admission—25¢—would tempt anyone to forge a ticket; but that is exactly what was done. Each letter and each line, with every quotation and punctuation mark was cleverly imitated with a pen, while a very good likeness was made of the cut-in pencil. So near like the original was the appearance of the ticket that it was passed by someone and never detected until next day.

So far from feeling chagrined at the clever forgery, the captain preserves the ticket more carefully than each of the others and authorizes the Nugget to offer a season ticket to the maker if he will decline himself the name to be preserved in strict confidence.

Help the Army.

Charitably disposed citizens are requested to lend assistance to the efforts of the Salvation Army to provide food and shelter to men in destitute circumstances. The workings of the Salvation Army as a dispenser of practical charity are so well known as to require no comment. In a word, the whole system is based upon the theory that when assistance is given an equivalent of some sort should be returned. With this in view a wood-yard has been established and men who apply for help at the Army barracks pay in labor for what they receive. Just now the resources of the Army are being taxed to the limit and additional facilities are required if they are to meet the demands made upon them. The articles most required at present are a cooking stove and about 500 feet of lumber for completing the shelter department. Contributions of cash or of the above named articles will be gratefully acknowledged by the army, and the Nugget will be pleased to give publication of such acknowledgment through its columns.

The number of cases of actual destitution in Dawson at the present time is surprisingly large. These men must be taken care of and the Nugget knows of no better means for doing the work than through the Salvation Army.

From Forty-Mile.

A. M. Nessler, an old timer in the country, arrived in Dawson from Forty-Mile the latter part of last week. The trip occupied four and one-half days of arduous traveling, made particularly so by the peculiar condition of the river. He pulled a loaded sleigh which of course rendered progress necessarily slow. He reports that the river is open in places, due to the recent rise in the temperature. About 10 miles below Dawson the Yukon is open for nearly its whole width and is practically impassable. Mr. Nessler states that it is not safe for travelers to attempt to make Forty-Mile at present and advises any who contemplate making the trip to wait until cold weather has come for good. At the particular point referred to above, the traveler must take to the

high bluffs along the river and, it is almost impossible to get a sleigh over.

Forty-Mile creek is going to show up splendid results this winter if present indications point to anything. Good prospects have been found on Myer's Fork and on Chicken creek claim No. 44s showing up well. On this claim a nugget weighing 85 cents was picked up under the snuck. Several holes have been sunk on No. 2 below discovery on the same creek. In each of the shafts pay has been uncovered running 45 cents to 20 cents to the pan. One of the recently opened tributaries of Forty-Mile is Eagle creek, which comes in at Mosquito Fork 5 miles above Chicken. Recently \$4 to the pan was taken out of one claim in the creek.

Mr. Nessler estimates that there will be at the very lowest estimate 2000 men working upon Forty-Mile and its tributaries.

LOCAL BRIEVITIES.

Arrangements have been perfected whereby the Good Samaritan hospital is retained in service.

The "Jewell" was ceremoniously opened to the public on Saturday evening. It is a handsome two-story structure on the burned district built by Messrs. St. Clair and Garfield. The interior is elegantly and cozily finished in expensive gilt wall paper and the opening brought many words of congratulation to the proprietor.

Jack Carr, the gentleman advertised to leave Dawson with "Chas. Yager" for the outside on November 20th, one of the most famous mail carriers and travelers among the pioneers of the Yukon. Only last winter Jack made the enormous trip from St. Michaels to Pelly and made it in record-breaking time, too. Mr. Carr is the oldest U. S. mail carrier in the country and to add him on this trip has had supplies distributed at various points along the river and is also provided with good dog teams and only that the distance to go which he traveled last winter.

That was a remarkable audience for Dawson which attended Captain Jack's entertainment at the Pioneer hall. It was remarkable in that so large a proportion were ladies, some of them even with infants in their arms. The reason is apparent to everyone, for the Captain has been with us long enough and his reputation is such that his name was a guarantee to all that the performance would be absolutely clean and above all. The large patronage demonstrates that there is an opening in Dawson for a class of entertainers where gentlemen may safely take their wives and daughters.

POLICE COURT ITEMS.

C. The papers serving six months for the theft of gold from No. 13 Eldorado.

W. Williams, a devotee of Hoyle, contributed \$50 and costs, and all's well.

F. Anderson was mildly full and gently expository, so that \$10 and costs retrieved his good name.

J. A. Pike, a "croutier," paid \$50 and costs for being caught in the act, and now all's serene and lovely.

Several cases came up in which one man claims a dog found in the possession of another, and the cases were dismissed.

Frank Aldrich paid \$100 for being the one to furnish the liquor which last week put Indian Lucy in the court for misbehavior.

McElfish wanted W. A. McPherson to account for the possession of a certain dog which he himself owned. The justice rebuffed McPherson against a repetition and let him go.

E. Dutcher made away with a grindstone, and is held to the superior court for that same offense. A man that will "swipe" a grindstone would steal a house if it wasn't fastened down to the ground.

Daley courts the Goddess of Fortune in gilded palaces by the light of burning acetylene gas. He even things up with the man who is paid for tempting the same goddess up the gulches. Daley digs up \$50 and costs.

H. M. Carr was rich one night and now saws wood. His millions were in his mind, the result of continued doses of forty-rod, but his wood sawing for the next ten days is coldly real and really cold, for a guard watches him in the barracks wood yard.

O. Boghetto is a man who committed the unforgivable nuisance of having a stovepipe and saws rot in close juxtaposition, the same being contrary to the statute in such cases made and provided. It is expected that \$5 and costs will effect a cure.

J. Murphy evidently is addicted to high living, and took three cans of oysters from in front of a restaurant, says he couldn't have done it for he has no use for oysters. Still, seeing that they are worth \$9 per can the justice thought the prisoner should be broken of such a bad habit. For six months Murphy will live in a boarding house where oysters are not served oftener than once a month, and he will be watched even while he eats that.

Dr. M. Schuman is a man of wonderful experiences. His name is not unknown to the world as a German explorer attached to a military command which achieved menial notoriety some few years ago in Africa. Simon Kissick is a bright mission-raised Indian boy, who was seen around town all summer as a messenger boy to any part of the creeks. Kissick, the Indian, carried a message to Schuman, the explorer, up the creek and became acquainted. The influence of his mind over matter was soon seen in the readiness with which Kissick adopted any and all suggestions from Schuman. The complaint sets forth that at the suggestion of the African explorer the Mission Indian did then and there deposit with the said African explorer the sum of \$71, the same being his sole earthly possessions outside of his blanket and a change of moccasins, and which sum was to be put into safe deposit at the nearest bank until again wanted by its owner for more moccasins or more blankets. Kissick has been particularly unfortunate in his choice of white friends, for this is not the first time he has been unable to collect from Caucasian acquaintances. A charge of theft is the result, and the Livingstonian Teutoness African is under bonds to the amount of \$400 to stand his trial before the superior judge of this district.

Mail for Forty-Mile.

Private mail for Forty-Mile and Eagle City will leave Thursday morning, November 17. Leave letters with Nugget Express in the Phoenix.

Mr. Geo. G. Cantwell late of Juneau, Alaska, is doing the outside topographic work for E. A. Hegg.

PROSPECTING ON THE HEADWATERS.

John Burke and Party Return After a Trip Up the Klondike.

Two Creeks Prospected and Twelve Holes Sunk—They Will Return Soon and Renew Work—Good Hunting on Upper River.

John Burke, formerly of the Green Tree and a party of four men, who left Dawson for a prospecting trip up the Klondike some seven weeks ago, returned to Dawson the latter part of last week. They left Dawson, taking with them three pack animals and a dog team, the former to carry provisions to the party's destination and then to furnish feed for the dogs. They found some difficulty in reaching the upper end of the Klondike, by reason of the fact that in many places they were even compelled to leave the river and cut trails in order to avoid the swamps and marshes that occur along the banks of the stream.

They explored the country adjacent to the Klondike for a distance of 150 miles, reaching pretty well up toward the headwaters of the stream. It required steady traveling for 12 continuous days to cover the distance. Game was found in abundance toward the headwaters of the Klondike, but only two moose were shot, that being sufficient to meet the requirements of the party. They spent about four weeks prospecting the upper tributaries of the Klondike, and, although they failed to uncover any considerable quantities the results of their work, were so promising that they intend returning as soon as the necessary preparations can be made. They confined their labors principally to two creeks neither of which are named upon the maps. On these creeks they sunk a total of twelve holes.

Mr. Burke reports that a great many people are scattered along the upper reaches of the Klondike, many of them with the intention of wintering there. Cabins have been built as far up as 120 miles above Dawson.

Considering the fact that so many men are located in that section, comparatively little real prospecting work has been done. On the return trip about 75 men were met en route up the river in search of game. The result, undoubtedly will be that moose and caribou in abundance will be coming to market in a short time. A great many wolves and wolverines were found. A band of the latter surrounded a cache containing the carcass of a moose and succeeded in securing and devouring it entirely.

The return trip was made by Burke and his party in 5 days. They built a sled and with their dog team made an average of 20 miles per day although, as in the trip up, they had to act as their own trail breakers. The river, for the most part is in good shape for traveling, although in places the shores has to be resorted to.

The first news the party had of the big fire in Dawson was on last Thursday, while on their way to town. Mr. Burke had his entire outfit, clothing, papers, etc., cached in the rear of the Green Tree. He returns to Dawson to find that everything was totally destroyed, Burke, however, is not a man to be discouraged by such trifles as a fire. He is fully as energetic as ever and plans to return up the Klondike just as soon as his affairs in Dawson can be arranged to admit of his absence.

Police Party for Up-River.

The police party which left Dawson on Tuesday morning for various points up the river consisted of four dog teams and eight men, John Bell, a famous dog driver and traveler goes out with Corporal Richardson, and the two bear important official mail and dispatches. The papers in the case of the reprieve of the four condemned men are now fairly on their way to Ottawa. Another dog driver, Abercrombie, is detailed for duty at Sixty-Mile, to which point Constable Piper is also detailed. Constable Saunders will leave the party at Indian river, while Corporal Lotten and two men of the Yukon field forces of the military, will report at Ft. Selkirk.

The government furnishes good looking and serviceable warm clothing for its soldiers and police on the Yukon and the party presented a very good appearance to the gentlemen who assembled to witness the departure early Tuesday morning. Felt boots appear to be the favorites just now for foot wear, and the government is furnishing them. The fur caps given the men are handsome and almost too warm. The mittens and other parts of the dress appear to be all that could be desired, and no hardships are anticipated for the men upon their trip over the frozen river.

Synopsis of the Creeks.

The freeze up has started work upon a great number of creeks, and great news may be expected at any time. The word from Sulphur is that a vast number of shafts are nearing bed rock, but as yet the situation remains unchanged. Hunter has shown up good in several new places. Dominion is proving herself in places a second Bonanza. This creek is making great strides into popular favor. A private letter from Forty-Mile conveys the intelligence that on Squaw creek, a pup of Canyon, the dirt is panning out from 30 to 50 cents to the pan. Chas. B. Smith, on a bench of Poverty hill, lying on No. 11 below on Bonanza, reports the dirt on bed rock panning out as high as \$5.50 to the pan.

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Now an Angel Looks.

Robin, holding his mother's hand,
Says "good night" to the big folks all.
Throws some kisses from rosy lips,
Laughs with glee through the lighted hall,
Then in his own crib, warm and deep,
Robin is tucked for a long night's sleep.

Gentle mother, with fond caress,
Slips her hand through his soft, brown hair,
Thinks of his fortune, all unknown,
Speaks aloud in an earnest prayer,
"Holy angels, keep watch and ward,
God's good angels my baby guard!"

"Mamma, what is an angel like?"
Asked the boy, in wondering tone;
"How will they look if they come here?"
Watching me while I'm alone?
Half with shrinking and fear spoke he,
Answered the mother tenderly:

"Prettiest faces ever were known,
Kindest voices and sweetest eyes."
Robin, waiting for nothing more,
Cried, and looked with a pleased surprise,
Love and trust in his eyes of blue—
"I know, mamma! They're just like you!"

QUESTIONS OF LAW.

There is an interesting question of law in the sale of Klondike City lots. The present law governing the sale of government townsite lots was passed the 7th day of last July and therefore appears to be applicable in the case of our neighboring burg even though the site was surveyed some days previous. If the law should be demonstrated to apply in this case there are decided objections which will be raised to the survey made by order of the last government of this territory. That law distinctly says "no land shall be sold within 100 feet of the water's edge of a navigable stream." In Klondike City the survey in one place is within 45 feet of the bank and the question naturally arises "can those lots now be sold?" Again the law says that lots shall be 120 feet deep and 50 feet wide "unless there be circumstances which prevent the surveying of the lots and streets to the size and width named, in which case the commissioner may alter the regulations to suit the necessities of the case." We know of no "circumstances to prevent" the surveying of Klondike City lots to the depth mentioned and we see no reason why the people should be compelled to accept lots but half that depth as at present.

Again there are "squatters' rights" to be considered. This paper has had occasion before to dwell upon this matter and refers to it again in timely elucidation of the situation across the Klondike river. In Canada squatters have no legal right to the land they occupy; that is to say there have been no acts of parliament confirming squatter's rights in general. But Canada has repeatedly conceded the moral right of a squatter who has settled upon wild and unsurveyed ground and rendered it of value either by improvements or by his presence. In special instances this inalienable right of the squatter has been brought to the notice of the government and has been conceded over and over again. The absence of laws bearing upon the subject leaves the unorganized squatter at the mercy of officials entirely; organization of the squatters has more than once resulted in bloodshed within the Dominion. It is an unfortunate condition of affairs and calls for a high order of executive talent in the administration in order to adjust affairs equitably and satisfactorily. A stranger can under the law outbid by one dollar the man who has lived on the lot for years and can take to himself the improvements made by the hard labor of months. If the government was to take a piece of vacant ground and after a survey was to

proceed to sell those lots by public auction, perfect justice would be done to all; but when that government waits until a population has settled upon a given piece of ground and rendered it valuable and then goes on to attach an arbitrary and unreasonable price upon the lots which that population occupies, then there is an injustice not only apparent but actual.

AMERICAN CHARACTERISTIC.

The great and striking difference in the character of Americans and the present nations from which they have sprung was aptly explained by Captain Jack at his Sunday night entertainment when he said: "Americans are the descendants of the restless and impulsive people of the earth." The popular story-teller and poet sounded a fundamental note in these words. For hundreds of years the restless souls of other nations have been reaching the exasperation point when they would impulsively rend the ties which bound them to home and kindred and reach for the land of the setting sun, where originality and expansion are not considered detrimental to one's character, nor in "bad form" as in the mother land. How firmly implanted this impulsive characteristic is in the descendants of American immigrants is well illustrated in the development of the great West. The same impulsive breaking away from the narrow restraints of surrounding circumstances which started the Britisher or the Teuton on the voyage across the Atlantic can be seen in the actions of his descendants in breaking away from the comforts and associations of his New England home and seeking the ever receding frontier. One generation moves from New Hampshire to Ohio, the next to Iowa, Idaho and Oregon are successive steps of successive generations and there the great Pacific is barring the way to further irresistible impulses to further progress.

Hereditary and acquired impulsiveness have become such firmly implanted factors of the American character that no scheme or prophesy of the future but must take it into consideration. A few golden tinted stories in the newspapers and we find Americans storming the passes and braving the rivers to Klondike like migrating ants. No statesman can plan intelligently for the future of America without taking this great characteristic of the race into consideration. The late Spanish war shows how true by instinct a race is to the traditions of its ancestry. Americans are mostly descendants of maritime races. A thoughtless world of people looked upon them and saw them without a navy, merchant or marine, and believed them to be losing the instincts which had made seakings of their ancestors. But an emergency arose and lo we find them taking to the water like a duckling from the nest. At once it is seen they are in their natural element and as irresistible as Vikings or Norsemen of old. Just so with the restless impulsiveness of their natures. An unwise and over conservative government may refuse to recognize the present cry of the American people for a policy of expansion; but the inner natures of the people can only be checked for a time—not killed. Alaska will be settled up; the islands of the Pacific, one by one, will be secured either by a merchandizing treaty or in some other way; China is rapidly coming under American mercantile supremacy. The London Times, in a recent issue, editorially admits the coming sea-greatness of America and believes this consummation of their destiny to be as irresistible as fate.

WHY ARE THEY HERE?

Few acts of any government have called for more severe and just condemnation from a free people than the quartering upon them of armed soldiery in time of peace. In former days it was the custom to farm the soldiers out upon the people and to compel each householder to contribute so much toward their maintenance. In that way the tax became a direct one and was felt far more forcibly than would have been the case had an equivalent of revenue been collected

in the ordinary manner. Nevertheless the effects in the end are identical which ever system be pursued.

This territory among its other burdens is suffering from a similar evil. We can conceive of no more unwarranted action on the part of the Canadian government than when it decided in its wisdom to send a large body of troops to this country. Thus far the only reason that we have heard advanced in excuse for this action is the fact that "the soldiers required an outing." Very likely they required the outing but when it is considered that there is no country on the face of the earth where the cost of living is so high as in this country, the good judgment of the government in making the Yukon a picnic ground for its soldiers is open to question. But there is another standpoint from which this proposition can be viewed. The "outing" explanation does not cover the ground entirely. It must be supposed that the government in sending so large a body of soldiers in addition to the mounted police who are perfectly able to preserve order in the district, had in view possible if not probable uprisings among our population. The government certainly could not have been in ignorance of the character of our people. The men who today are located in this district are peaceful and law abiding from instinct. They are used to participating in the making of laws and render obedience to them naturally. Hence if the government saw the likelihood of an uprising in this district it must have been convinced that the laws and the method of executing them were such as scarcely to be tolerated.

We believe it to be a fair conclusion that the government, knowing the injustice of the regulations under which this country is governed, knowing the grounds for complaint which existed against the officials in charge, sent the soldiers to this country to forestall a probable insurrection. The Klondike of course will foot the bill.

OUTSIDE AFFAIRS.

From gentlemen just returned from the outside we learn that our gallant champion, Col. Domville, has fallen through his hat in an effort to qualify and discredit the interview given by him to the newspapers of the West, damning the Dawson officials from one end of the string to the other. In Winnipeg the daring exponent of right principles gave another interview, still strong but disclaiming the interview published in the West. Further east he disowned his Winnipeg interview and "there you are."

It is perfectly honorable to aspire to be the first representative of the Yukon territory in the House of Commons, and the colonel is to be commended for the ambition, but if a representative depends upon the votes of his constituents for his election then the colonel's candidacy is hopeless.

From the same reliable source we learn that the "no royalty" agitation is not bearing the rapid fruit we have been wishing for it. In fact Minister Sifton appears to desire to stand or fall by the royalty proposition. He gives out this obnoxious measure as a sop to Canada, and at the same time supersedes Fawcett as another sop to the "malcontents" of the Klondike who have been making such a "howl" against the minister of the interior. The situation seems to be that to remove the royalty we must also remove its parent, Mr. Sifton himself. That gentleman's growing unpopularity is duly reflected in the Canadian newspapers at our disposal, and his seat is evidently not as secure as he might wish it to be. His champions are few and scattered, and we feel we can overlook a whole lot of other things in Col. Domville if he will continue his crusade against that minister so largely responsible for the many evils from which we suffer.

Our public theatres compare quite favorably with the same class of entertainments in other mining camps, while the buildings themselves are also excellent. The throngs of people who patronize these places are sometimes limited

in size only by the capacity of the building to hold another man. In view of this condition, and also of the fact that our wooden buildings are very dry upon the inside and take fire like a flash pan, would it not be wise to provide by legislation that exits be placed at numerous points and that all doors swing to the outside? At a gathering some few nights ago a number of people refused to enter a crowded building, even though in possession of tickets, upon observing that the doors swung inward. "A word to the wise is sufficient," and extended remarks are unnecessary.

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suppose things will b...
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"So now you g...
as I that if there is a...
for you better?—"
Sour spoke sharply...
"Keep cool, old f...
fell so strongly abou...
of course things h...
didn't know either...
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you that I did? D...
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near the office."
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and Chee gazed...
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A MOST MAGNIFICENT WINTER TRIP.

Riches, Other Than Gold, in the Yukon Territory.

Nature Presents a Feast for the Eye—Tourists Travel Thousands of Miles to See Less Beautiful Scenery—Special Correspondence.

Not within the moss and muck-covered hills and gulches of the Yukon Territory are contained all of the riches, which have induced men of every nationality and from every vocation in life to seek the golden mineral known to be concealed in the natural safety vaults which nature has provided in the frozen circle of the Arctic. Year after year have thousands upon thousands of tourists and pleasure seekers in the aggregate, incurring expenditures of amounts far exceeding the entire output of the Klondike country, sought recreation and pleasure in crossing the Atlantic and following the lines of travel marked out for those who delight in reviewing nature's handiwork, yet fail to be rewarded in anything like the beautiful manner which may here be seen, and ever awaits the pleasure-seeker. Besides all this, are the many instructive and interesting lessons to be learned as one journeys over the trails. The manner of prospecting, summer and winter diggings, the sinking of shafts through the frozen muck and vegetation, the accumulation of ages, the transportation of the precious "grub pile," the panning and roeking of the pay dirt, sludging and incidents to a mining camp are studies which must interest all.

The grandeur of the rolling hills and mountains of And Scotland, as seen from Ben Nevis and Ben Lomond; the scenery of England's fair profile or the picturesque landscape of modest Switzerland are not to be compared with what may be seen within a radius of fifty miles or a four days walk from Dawson, aside from the health-giving, appetite creating exercise to those who will only take the foot excursion herein described. Let us suggest to those who have not yet gone up the creeks tributary to Dawson, particularly to the ladies now living here, that they take three to five days, and at so slight expense, enjoy one of the most magnificent winter trips anywhere in the world.

The first essential thing to know is how to dress properly for the tramp, for there are no modes of conveyance other than one's own pedals. Regardless of the stage of the thermometer in regard to cold, go lightly dressed. Avoid chamois shirt or attire of that nature, as, while they may be impervious to wind the moisture or perspiration is not permitted to be expelled from the human frame when so clad—a good suit of woolen underwear, flannel shirt of medium weight or sweater—the former being preferable—two good pairs of German socks, a pair of Equinax or "Siwash" slippers, a pair of Arctic socks, and good moccasins, suit of ordinary clothing, cotton purple, a headcovering of light but warm make, sufficient to keep the ears and face protected, and with a sweater in hand to put on when overheated and resting, one is ready for the trip. Excellent provision is made for the traveler now on nearly every trail in the numerous hotels known as "road houses" which mark the journey, so that great cumbersome packs are no longer necessary to be carried.

Ladies should adopt the same dress insofar as inner garments and footwear are concerned, wearing a drilling or cloth costume as dress with short skirt, and sweater to be worn only after walking, and being thus provided, let us start upon our excursion.

Leaving the streets of Dawson at the barracks, we take the sled trail on the Yukon river ice, and in a few minutes are upon the frozen and smooth surface of the Klondike. The walking is excellent, the cold air bracing and at once are felt the bracing effects and lung expanding powers of the clear cold enjoyed in this climate. Passing the Bonanza basin and mouth of Bonanza creek, which set the world afire with the fever of gold excitement two years ago, in an easy three-hour walk, we leave the Klondike and enter the mouth of Hunker creek, which is showing new possibilities and may exceed even the enormous yield of Bonanza and Eldorado. Being still upon the lowlands and foothills, but little interests, until the claims being represented pretty well up the creek are reached. There may be seen placer mining in all of its stages. Here, there and everywhere are shaft-holes, with their windlasses, and the cheery song and whistle of hundreds of sturdy miners as they dump their buckets taken from the holes upon the heaps constantly accumulating, to be washed out in the spring. Taking a moderate easy gait the first day, twenty-five miles are covered without fatigue and we rest for the night just above discovery on Hunker—named after the man who today stands as the discoverer of gold upon that creek, good old Andrew Hunker, who in his comfortable cabin on No. 1 above, when not delving in his pay streak, may be found reveling in his favorite "Gibbon's History of Rome," a book of which he is very fond.

The following morning proceed up the right fork of Hunker, and find, although now crossing the divide and ascending what would be a steep incline, an easy walk has been made by a switchback trail slashed by the packers and

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road house proprietors, until reaching the summit we leave behind the Klondike valley and may now look into the territory known as the Indian River district, with Lombard creek at our feet a id down which we descend to its mouth where it empties into Dominion at No. 1 above discovery. Going down the latter as far as No. 28, we enter Carbon creek and proceed up over the divide into Brimstone and thence into Sulphur which leads up from No. 32 below to Sulphur Dome. A stop for rest over night should be made, however, preparatory to ascending the dome that the magnificent scenery there to be seen may be enjoyed under the glowing effects of a rising sun. Leaving the hotel about 7 o'clock the summit is reached in a couple of hours walk and here begins the scenery of which there are no pens equal to describe in grandeur and magnificence. As we leave Sulphur creek the air overhead is heavily overhung with clouds and the prospects might not be considered bright for sight-seeing, until as we continue the ascent we pass the timber line and leave the clouds as a carpet overspreading the gulches below. But what a sight as we reach the ridge, along which we travel, and what a panorama of beauty nature here presents. A hundred miles away the horizon is breaking and old Sol awaking from his slumber is rifling through the clouds in a glow of red, his rays tinting in effects and colors, such as no artist ever portrayed, while towards the west azure which would pale the imagination of the most famous portrait painter are seen. For hundreds of miles are seen the rolling hills which separate Dominion, Hunker, Sulphur, Quartz, Gold Bottom, Gold Run, All Gold, Too Much Gold and the other creeks which are now being prospected and worked in the effort to uncover this hidden wealth. Away in the distance to the north are the snow-capped peaks of the Rockies, which recall the billows of the Atlantic as they roll and lash each other in midst of raging storm. What a feast has nature here provided for those who will only come and partake! Not a step is taken but what the Kaleidoscope view is constantly changing, seemingly to add only to the beautiful scene.

The sun coming up behind the great dome casts his rays, touching the hilltops with gentle coverings never seen on canvas. The clear, crisp air of the dome which circles around until the descent is made into Carmack's Forks, but adds to the exhilarating effects of the traveler. We doubt if any of the countries mentioned earlier in this letter afford any such magnificent views as are to be had here, and any who come as far as Dawson and fail to make this trip miss one of the grandest opportunities to see nature in her grandest beauty. The trip down Bonanza is full of interest to everyone and for a pleasant three to five days outing I strongly recommend an excursion of the above trails. It will afford pleasure. It will defeat doctor's bills. EMP.

Creek Items.
—News of good pay between discoveries comes in from Dominion. On 38 below upper discovery nearly \$50 to the pan has been taken from favorable spots.

The death of Frank E. Munson was announced in our last issue. His partner, Stevenson, has also had to be carried to the hospital with a dangerous attack of typhoid fever.

Leslie A. Osgood died upon his lay on Poverty hill Friday, November 11th, of heart failure. Osgood hailed from Columbia City, a suburb of Seattle, and came in about a month ago.

Walter Almon injured the right hip Thursday by slipping and sliding down the trail where it drops from the dome to Hunker. A small fracture is announced, which while painful is not considered serious.

Several men report being right bound on the summit of the divide and having to take the storm until morning. Several men have had the misfortune in snowy weather, in dropping over the divide, to get onto the wrong creeks, and getting mighty hungry and tired before they could reach familiar ground.

A comfortable reading room at the Forks has been started by the practical Rev. Dickey, and is kept pleasant and warm at all hours for travellers. It is in the Presbyterian church building at present, but the originator intends in the near future to build a "lean to" for the especial use of the reading room.

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LOST AND FOUND

FOUND—An overcoat at the great fire; owner can get the same from the police by proving property and paying charges; coat was handed police by unknown man.

FOUND—If person who handed his overcoat to a stranger during the fire on Oct. 14, will call at this office he can secure the coat by paying for this ad.

LOST—Brown puppy, two months old. Cross between Malamute and St. Bernard. Leave at Nugget office and receive reward.

FOUND—White and red dog; came to my cabin last Tuesday; owner can secure dog by paying advertising charges; Tom Rockwell, Dominion Saloon.

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