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TURKEY FOR THE POOR

King Edward Provides Many Dinners

Families of Men Killed in South Africa Received Special Attention.

Special to the Daily Nugget. London, Dec. 22, via Skagway, Dec. 27.—King Edward has taken personal interest in perfecting arrangements for a fine Christmas dinner for the London poor.

Particular attention has been given to the families who suffered the loss of father or other supporter during the South African war.

CHRISTMAS NUGGET

Surpassed the Expectations of Everybody

Neat Speriman of Color Printing and Full of Original Reading Matter.

The colored Christmas edition of the Nugget seems to have given general satisfaction. The sales in the city have been very large but particularly remarkable have been the applications for copies to be mailed to the outside.

Back to France. Madrid, Dec. 23, via Skagway, Dec. 27.—The notorious family of Humberts has been captured and taken back to France.

MR. ROSS WRITES. Spent His Christmas With His Children.

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At nine o'clock last night another first-class mail stage arrived, with about 300 lbs. of letter mail.

JUNEAU GAMBLERS

Are Doing Business at the Old Stand

Too Many People Were Thrown out of Employment—All Running

Special to the Daily Nugget. Juneau, Dec. 27.—Open gambling is again in full swing.

WILHELM THE FOXY

Has Stirred Up Ire of British Press.

Fear Expressed That Relations With Uncle Sam May be Strained.

Special to the Daily Nugget. London, Dec. 20.—The British cabinet has been acting in the Venezuelan affair very like a man who holds a mule's hind leg and is afraid to let go.

Snow at Skagway. Skagway, Dec. 27.—A raw southern wind prevails today with light snow.

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THE MINERS WILL HAVE THEIR OWN CANDIDATE.

CANADA'S NEW ROAD

Extension of the Grand Trunk

Will Tap Northern Ontario, Manitoba, Alberta and Peace River.

Canada is to have another transcontinental highway, built by the Grand Trunk Railway Company.

The new system will run through Northern Ontario, Manitoba, via Winnipeg, Saskatchewan, Assiniboia, and Alberta to Peace River, or Pine River Pass, then through British Columbia, making its terminus on the North Pacific coast at Port Simpson or Butte Inlet.

"Like our Grand Trunk Western system, extending from Port Huron, Michigan, to Chicago," said Mr. C. M. Hayes, the second vice-president and general manager of the G. T. R., in making the official announcement.

The foregoing project has been under consideration for a long time by the directors of the G. T. R., and during Mr. Hay's visit to England the resources and possibilities of the great Canadian Northwest were laid before Sir Charles Rivers Wilson and other members of the board in a most comprehensive and convincing way.

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COMMITTED FOR TRIAL

Wm. Ask to Go Before Territorial Court

On One of the Charges of Embezzlement—All The Other Charges Adjourned.

The only cases at the police court this morning was the adjourned hearing of the two charges against Wm. Ask.

FOR ALDERMAN

To the electors of Dawson. I hereby offer myself as a candidate for alderman at the coming municipal election.

LIONEL G. BENNETT.

FOR ALDERMAN

To the Electors of Dawson City. I present myself to you as a candidate for alderman for 1903.

DK. Z. STRONG, V. S.

FOR YUKON COUNCIL

Dawson, Yukon Territory, December 26th, 1902.

To the Electors of the Electoral District No. 2.

Gentlemen: Owing to petitions signed by members of voters from the creek requesting me to become a candidate for the Yukon Council.

A Happy New Year. Thanking the public for their patronage during the past year and hoping for a continuance of it in the future. JOHN L. TIMMINS, Second Avenue, Royal Grocery.

RAVAGES OF FIRES

To Be Prevented by Legislative Enactment.

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MRS. SMYTHE'S DANCING ACADEMY. Fairy and Ballroom Dancing taught. Class lessons Tuesday and Friday evenings from 8 to 10.

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DEVIL AND DEEP SEA

A Peculiar Quandary of Senator Hanna

Must Decide Which of His Friends Will be Governor of Ohio.

Special to the Daily Nugget. Cleveland, Dec. 26.—The coming week will be a strenuous one for Senator Hanna as he will have to decide while spending his holiday vacation in Cleveland whether General Dick or Colonel Herrick shall be the republican candidate for governor.

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CONVENTION DELEGATES

Are All Assembled at Caribou City

Names of the Men Empowered to Place Candidates in Nomination.

Caribou, Dec. 27.—(By telephone to the Nugget)—At three o'clock this afternoon the convention of miners called to meet at Caribou began its first session.

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

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 27, 1903. \$50 Reward. We will pay a reward of \$50 for information that will lead to the arrest and conviction of any one stealing copies of the Daily or Semi-Weekly Nugget from business houses or private residences, where same have been left by our carriers.

AMUSEMENTS. Auditorium - "The White Squadron." Standard-Vaudeville.

FOR MEMBER OF YUKON COUNCIL. Dr. ALFRED THOMPSON FOR MAYOR OF DAWSON. R. P. McLENNAN

THE CREEK CONVENTION. Something over a month ago, the Nugget began urging upon the miners of the second electoral division the propriety of assembling together in convention and selecting candidates for the Yukon council.

Undoubtedly there are gentlemen in Dawson who would be perfectly fair and sincere in serving the miners, and who in many particulars are well qualified for the duties which would devolve upon them.

If suitable material for candidates were lacking on the creeks there might be some reason in looking to the city for candidates, but the facts in the case are all to the contrary.

The Nugget has a deep interest in the outcome of the proceedings of today's convention, for the reason that the first published suggestion in

Ladies' Fur Coats I have only half a dozen left. If you want one you can have it at a bargain. Electric Seal, Astrachan, Coon and Grey Lamb. J. P. McLENNAN 233 FRONT ST Phone 101-B Agent for Standard Patterns.

connection therewith appeared in the editorial columns of this paper. We sincerely hope that the delegates will agree upon two men who can go before the electors of District No. 2 and secure their support.

There seems to be no special reason for postponing action upon the railroad franchise. Everyone interested in the matter has had sufficient opportunity to express his views and the council is now in possession of all the information necessary to enable a conclusion to be reached.

In a recent issue, the News referred to the "unworthy instrument" as "a menace to the peace and prosperity of this community." Nevertheless the News spent the best part of two months endeavoring to convince the people that the unworthy one was entitled to represent the Yukon in the house of commons.

Some expressions of opinion have been forthcoming from several of the mayoralty candidates as to their policies if elected to office, but very little has been heard of the aldermanic candidates.

Every dog has his day and the Yukon dog has proven no exception to the rule. Dog teams which formerly played a most important part in the life of the district have been superseded very largely by horses.

And just to think, the News once referred to the unworthy instrument as "the Honorable." Oh, the irony of politics.

OUT FOR WILSON. Forks Newspaper Supports His Nomination. At Caribou City today a convention representative of the miners will meet for the purpose of naming two candidates for the Yukon council from Electoral District No. 3.

Arthur Wilson was elected to the council two years ago by the miners. He is a miner himself and lives upon the income obtained from his claim on Eureka creek which he works with his own hands the same as any other miner.

It is understood the delegates from Bonanza and Eldorado are all Wilson men. This being the case and these creeks having the largest number of voters in the district Mr. Wilson will have a good showing on the initial ballot.

Are you going to the masquerade? Wigs for rent for ladies and gentlemen at Leuder's, 2nd ave. 27. Special power of attorney forms for sale at the Nugget office.

Political Announcements For Member of the YUKON COUNCIL Dawson District No. 1. C. W. C. TABOR

Dr. Alfred Thompson Is a candidate for the Yukon council from the Dawson district. The support of the electorate is respectfully requested.

FOR YUKON COUNCIL GEO. VERNON Practical Miner and Business Man. Solicits Your Vote and Influence.

VOTE FOR R. P. McLENNAN For Mayor of Dawson, 1903.

CANDIDATE FOR MAYOR 1903, D. W. DAVIS.

VOTE FOR James F. Macdonald FOR ALDERMAN

GREAT DAY ON CREEKS Beat Christmas in All Their History

Midnight Mas at Two Catholic Churches-The Day on Sulphur. Bonanza City, Dec. 26-The weather was excellent for Christmas, and it was faithfully observed and thoroughly enjoyed at every place on the creeks.

Buried at Caribou. Ben Iverson, who was frozen to death by the trail last Sunday while returning from Gold Run, was buried in the town cemetery yesterday afternoon.

For Yukon Council Candidate for District No. 1, which includes Dawson, Fortymile, Miller, Glacier and Boucher. WM. THORNBURN

CANDIDATE FOR MAYOR 1903 Thos. Adair

Vote for PETER VACHON For Alderman.

Vote for JOHN L. TIMMINS For Alderman. He stands for a clean administration and a judicious expenditure of the people's money.

TO THE VOTERS Candidate For Alderman 1903. Dr. Z. Strong, V. S.

FRANK N. JOHNSON Candidate for ALDERMAN, 1903. A. LA LANDE.

Candidate for ALDERMAN 1903, R.H.S. Cresswell

Candidate FOR ALDERMAN 1903 J. A. GREENE H. C. Norquay. Candidate FOR ALDERMAN 1903 F. W. Arnold.



My sympathies for poor, down-trodden man are never so keenly aroused as during the Christmas season, and then I say to myself with the capos ad lib "blessed is he who is careless and free" for of all the woe-begone objects the most abject is the average man engaged in holiday shopping and particularly if he has a half dozen or more little ones to provide for. His desires are generally long and his purse short and what to buy is usually an enigma that for insubstantial would make a Ramesses sphinx retire from business. The day before Christmas I happened in a toy and book store and for two mortal hours was highly amused at the shoppers, so much so that I unconsciously found myself indulging in a staid old man of family instead of a callow youth whose ideas center mostly in pink teas and ping pong. One gentleman I noticed who fathers a promising family of nine, and as he passed through the door he reminded me of a human express wagon. Every pocket and both arms were full and if he had had another pair of arms they too, would have been full. I pictured myself in a similar position some years hence and sighed for the power and eloquence of Zola that I might add to his immortal "Fecondite".

Old residents of the city tell me the Christmas just passed was not much like those of olden days, but just where the discrepancy arose was not made apparent. It was certainly not in the number of drunks, for never since I have been in Dawson have I seen together at any one time as many inebriated individuals as I saw staggering down First avenue Christmas eve. They were for the most part a rollicking lot of chaps who have a spree but once a year and then they go in to make up for lost time. About town there was a quietness that was Sunday like in its oppressiveness, notably so in the forenoon. The evening before the children's service at the Presbyterian church proved a potent factor in its drawing powers. Then there was the midnight mass at St. Mary's and where is the good Catholic anywhere on earth who would miss going to mass on Christmas and Easter? He may not go to church again within the year, but he will not miss those days. The church was beautifully decorated as it always is on the great festival days, the services were sweetly solemn and impressive, but there was much to be desired in the musical features. The choir is not what it was a year ago and it seems a pity, as of all the secular music ever written none is so beautiful, so inspiring and so worthy the efforts of gifted singers as that intended for the use of the Catholic church. As I sat listening to the plaintive "Kyrie Eleison" my thoughts reverted back to a similar scene in which I was an interested spectator. Some years ago in St. Patrick's cathedral in New York. The monster organ, the symphony orchestra of fifty pieces, the cultured soloists, the mighty chorus, the childish trebles of the boy choir all combined to make a scene so impressive that once heard it can never be forgotten.

The larger business houses were in holiday attire, some of the decorations being not only beautiful but unique in their way. In one of the company stores two windows were dressed, one showing Christmas in the Klondike in '97 and the other the same day in '02, and the effect was more than striking. In the afternoon 500 people turned out to see the hockey match, which my distinguished confrere, the sporting editor, assures me was "the hottest thing that ever struck town." I wonder why all such gentry in the handling of the articles that come under their jurisdiction persist in so diabolically murdering the King's English in their writings. To one unacquainted with the slang phrases pertaining to the game, the average account of such is as unintelligible as so much Sanskrit. Last week in a fit of desperation I undertook the work of reforming my friend, the aforesaid sporting editor, suggesting in the most delicate manner possible that in promulgating esoteric cogitations pertaining to hockey or articulating superficial sentimentalities and philosophical or psychological observations concerning a prize fight, his statements to be best comprehended should possess a clarified consciousness, compacted comprehensiveness, coherent consistency and a concentrated cogency, eschewing all platitudinous ponderosity, conglomerations of flatulent garrulity, jejune haberdashery and asinine affectations, and what do you suppose he replied to my well intentioned advice? He said, "Aw, wot yer givin' us," and I threw up my hands in despair.

In the evening there were dinners galore, though I noticed many families preferring dining down town to the task of preparing something elaborate at home. The only additional attraction was the theater and it was deservedly well patronized. Yesterday the grind of business again began, the lady of society scans her visiting list once more in anticipation of New Year's calls and the children are already asking how long it will be before Santa Claus comes again. That was a very pretty and at the same time substantial mark of respect paid to Bishop Breynat in the rooms of the Young Men's Institute on Tuesday evening, the presentation to him by his congregation of a purse of \$1000 in gold. The bishop has been here but a comparatively short time though he has succeeded in winning for himself a warm place in the hearts of all his people. A very pleasant evening was spent in social intercourse, listening to beautiful songs by Mrs. James, Mrs. Mullin, Mr. Genest and others, and then came the presentation by Mr. Justice Macaulay. The bishop was much touched by the words of his lordship and the evidence of the love and veneration of his parishioners, and in response spoke of his hopes and plans for the future of the church in Dawson. He left yesterday on a trip that will represent nearly half the circumnavigation of the globe. Immediately upon his arrival outside he will proceed direct to New York from whence he will sail to Paris and spend a week or so visiting, Paris being the headquarters of the Oblate Fathers to which order the bishop belongs. From there he will go to Rome and be present at the papal jubilee which takes place early in March. The return of the reverend father will be made via the Mackenzie river where he will visit all the missions in the eastern part of his immense diocese, entering the Yukon by way of La Pierre house trail and thence down the Porcupine to its confluence with the Yukon river and up to the city by the first lower river steamer that happens along. His arrival is not anticipated before the middle of next August.

It is a lamentable fact that so much petty thieving is taking place at the Athletic rink, and what seems worse is that the directors seem powerless to prevent it unless a watchman or two is specially hired to guard coats and wraps left in the dressing rooms while the owners are enjoying themselves on the ice. At most from the very beginning there have been complaints every week of this and that article of wearing apparel walking off and it is gotten so now that ladies no longer leave valuable coats in their retiring room. Even the lockers are not safe from the vandals, they picking the locks and taking out anything that may strike their fancy. A very charming lady of my acquaintance, who is one of the most constant patrons of the rink, a week ago Wednesday lost a pair of new felt shoes under such circumstances that could not have been other than a deliberate theft, and worse still it was committed by a woman who was apparently disguised as a lady. The shoes upon being removed by their rightful owner were tied together and hung upon a nail, then covered by a black astechan coat suspended from the same nail. On her return from the ice her coat had been removed, the shoes taken off the nail and the coat hung up again and in the place of the new foot covering was left a pair of leeks so completely worn out that they were of absolutely no use whatever. The shoes so considerably left by the thief were ladies' and of a small size and as the incident took place in the ladies' dressing room there can be no doubt of the sex of the miscreant. Such intolerable depravity! The lowest habitue of the lowest dance hall ever in the city would not stoop to such contemptible thieving. Mistakes in such affairs may sometimes occur, but in this instance such was impossible. A little Sherlock Holmes work on the part of the directors would not be amiss.

I was at the theater on Christmas night and enjoyed a number of things not down on the bill. The first occurred just before the curtain went up on the opening act. Some of the actor's folk were evidently playing horse back of the scenes, for there was a noise of a scuffle, suppressed laughter, a bump against the curtain, a tip, a fear, more laughter and a look was protruded through the veil that hides the world from the mimic stage and just as quickly withdrawn. And the same old tip may still be seen near the bottom of the curtain a little to the o. p. of the c. The prettiest and most graceful affair of the evening was the interruption between the third and last acts. Two encores had been received and a curtain call was demanded. All had passed before the audience with the exception of Mr. Readick and Miss Kelton. They came last, had acknowledged the applause of their admirers and were about to pass on when Mr. C. W. Macpherson interrupted their progress, stepping up to Miss Kelton and in his most affable manner presented her with a purse of gold on behalf of himself and the individual members of the Operatic Society. Miss Kelton rendered valuable service to the society in the recent production of the "Bohemian Girl," and so well pleased were the members with her painstaking efforts that in addition to the regular stipendium received an additional testimonial was made up by her friends. Mr. Macpherson's words were few and simply intended to convey the friendly feeling he had for the recipient who was so completely overcome that had it not been for the presence of mind of Mr. Bittner in ringing down the curtain for a moment, Miss Kelton would have been for once the victim of stage fright. On the curtain going up a fourth time Miss Kelton slowly came to the footlights and said with a sigh that clearly showed the emotion she was laboring under: "Ladies and gentlemen, this surprise has so completely overwhelmed me that I find words inadequate to express my feelings. I can only thank you, thank you deeply from the bottom of my heart for your kindness and wish you all a very merry Christmas and a happy, prosperous New Year."

That was not the only presentation for there were others. Mr. Morris on behalf of the Bittner company presented to Mr. Eggert a beautiful Steinway concert grand piano with a compass of one octave and of a size suitable for one's overcoat pocket, and to Mr. Freimuth a genuine Stradivarius violin formerly owned by Paganini made of real pine and fitted with birch pegs. On some future occasion a solo will be played on the diminutive instrument. The evening was full of incidents for in the last act in the broadsword combat between Mr. Bittner and Mr. Thorne the former received a cut across the forehead that was not in the play. It was not serious, but royal blood was drawn and Willie staggered against one of the props with a realism that could not have been mistaken. It happened at the curling rink one afternoon a few days ago and eye witnesses still smile when they meet either of the participants in the incident. Sheriff Eilbeck and Mr. Justice Craig were in the opposing rinks and a dispute arose as to the possession of one point. Said the sheriff as he marked the point down to his credit: "That is my point, judge." "No, you are mistaken, it is mine" and his lordship with one swipe wiped out the sheriff's score and added it to his own. "Excuse me, but it is mine," and the chalk made another mark on the blackboard. "You are wrong, my dear sheriff, it is mine," and the offending mark was rubbed out again. Which scored the point is not a part of this story.

Among the prettiest and most elaborate dinners ever served in Dawson was that at the Regina on Christmas night. The dining room under the direction of Miss Ratcliffe and assisted by Steward Nixch was transformed into a veritable bower of beauty. The walls were decorated with festoons of evergreens and upon each table was a miniature Christmas tree surmounted by a tiny candle, each corner of the table being connected with the tree by bright colored ribbons. The menu was extensive and was thoroughly enjoyed by the many guests of the evening. Genial John Bechtel had a little tree all of his own in his department and callers wondered at the remarkable snowball displayed as the piece de resistance. I have been requested by the office force of this great moral daily to acknowledge the receipt of several donations sent by those charitably inclined on Christmas to the widows and orphans of the Nugget. Ordinarily this would be a very pleasant task, but today it goes against the grain. Why? Why should I be thankful for that which I did not receive? Not being regularly associated with the Nugget staff except on special duty I unfortunately was out when the aforesaid donations arrived, and do you think these hungry printers and ubiquitous reporters saved any of the feast for "The Chappie"? No, indeed. I found on my desk a few crumbs, four corbs and an empty bottle branded Haig & Haig. But I will be charitable. The office is indebted to Mrs. William Patterson Allen for a cake inscribed "to de gang," which I am assured was lovely. I am sorry I can not vouch for its excellence personally. To Manager Fairbanks, of the N. C. Co., the gratitude of seven printers, pressmen and jobbers (this list word may be taken in a double meaning) is gratefully extended for a half case of Scotch. It was good goods I know, otherwise it would not have disappeared so quickly, and I am doubly sorry I can not add my little testimonial to its supreme qualities. I didn't have a chance.

Mr. Dooley on College Football

I see the fut-ball season is over, said Mr. Dooley. "Yale has met Harvard waist again on that there historic field where thim cillybrated siminaries iv larin' has so often pasted each other, an' th' strain is at an end. Fr'm now on, they'll be room fr' th' ordinary cases iv assault-with-intent-to-kill in th' pa-pers. "It's become a gr'treat instichooch-ign this here game iv fut-ball. Whin fr' was a young man a college was a place where th' boy iv th' fam'ly was s'at that had th' worst eyes. On'y th' frail, fair-haired lad with a hectic flush on his cheeks iver got a chanst at rale larin'.

gins, th' renowned cinter rush fr'm playin'." With th' aid iv th' polis, th' Hoopstown authorities have discovered that Stiggins was paid four thousand dollars to lave his job as longshoreman an' enter th' university. "Prisidint Lecksons iv Hoopstown an' Professor McGoo, doct' iv systematic th'ayology at Boonesville nearly come to blows yisterday over th' approachin' fut-ball game. The Professor havin' made some invidious remark about Stiggins, th' prisidint rayforted that "Humph' Dorsey, th' full-back iv th' Hoopstown illiven, was thirty-eight years old, had a wife an' child in Seesdayla, was a professional prime fighter an' had done time in Kansas. He offered to bet three to twinty-five that Dorsey cudden't read or write. "Nayesher can you," says th' prisidint, referin' to th' fact that th' professor was a plannymover before he took th' chair iv systematic th'ayology an' guards back at th' varsity. Th' two larned gentlemen clinched but was separated be th' polis.

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Taxpayers in Favor of Present System

Sergeant Smith Presented With a Diamond Badge by Public Subscription.

It is a question in the minds of several politicians, and especially among the candidates for the mayoralty, which platform will catch the most votes, the retention of the Mounted Police as the city police force, or the appointment of a regularly paid force. There is no doubt that the present force has been found efficient and entirely satisfactory during the past year, and there is no doubt that it is the most economical way in which the city can be policed. Mr. McLennan comes out boldly in favor of retaining the present system; Mr. Davison is a trimmer on the subject. He is for anything to catch votes, and, of course, there are a number of men who would like to be policemen, and all of them have friends whom they could influence to vote for the candidate who would promise them a job. But the merchants of the city, without any reference to politics whatever, seem to have settled the question by their action last night.

Manager Fairbanks, of the N. C. Company and Ben C. Davis, called at the town police station and produced substantial credentials that they represented the ratepayers of the city. These credentials were signed by Northern Commercial Company, per William Fairbanks, manager of the Eastern division; C. E. McKee, for N. A. T. & C. Co.; Ames Mercantile Company, per W. H. Parsons; the Joseph Ladue Gold Mining & Development Company, per T. B. Cook, manager; Murray & Ross; White Pass & Yukon Route, per J. H. Rogers; the Canadian Bank of Commerce, per T. B. May, assistant manager; A. D. Fields; Hershberg & Co.; McArthur & Robinson; Davis & Frey; Townsend & Rose; Dawson Hardware Company, Ltd.; per J. R. Gray; the Yukon Hardware Company, Ltd.; per Roderick Chisholm, manager; T. W. Wilson, Henry G. Macaulay, Thomas Adair, Sargent & Pinsky, J. M. Gandolfo, Reid & Co., W. M. Cribbs, J. W. Crahan, Charles Mulcahey, R. W. Calderhead, Emil Stauff, J. Zaccarelli, W. Barrett, Pacific Cold Storage Company, Alvah Smith, H. Pinkert and J. L. Sale.

Sergeant Frank Smith, of the Mounted Police, and Superintendent of Dawson police Frank Smith, having satisfied himself of the sufficiency of these credentials, which were in the form of a testimonial to himself and his force, permitted the delegates to proceed with their work. Mr. Fairbanks produced a small velvet covered box and took from it a gold badge, which he held tantalizingly in his hand while he said:

"No doubt, sergeant, you have during the time you have faithfully served the city as chief of the police force, had the painful duty of serving a large number of unwelcome writs upon the people of the city. We are now fortunately able to turn the tables on you and serve a writ on you. As the representatives of thirty-two business firms we have the pleasure of serving this upon you."

He then handed to the sergeant the medal and the following "writ":

"We beg to present you herewith a testimonial of the esteem in which you are held by us and a reward for the services you have rendered in your office as chief of the Dawson city police. We are aware of the trying conditions under which you have labored and are pleased to say that the efforts you have put forth are only such as we anticipated by your desire to administer the affairs of your office in an impartial manner."

Superintendent of City Police Frank Smith turned the testimonial over in his hand and hesitatingly said he had tried to do his duty and the city and the Mounted Police paid him for that, and he didn't think well, he was pleased at any rate that his services were appreciated, and it came all the more unexpected from the fact that a policeman was the last to receive any mark of public appreciation, and had to be satisfied, generally speaking, with the consciousness of having done his duty. This is about what Superintendent Smith thinks he said; he does not remember it very clearly, being a little upset at the time by such an entirely unexpected public recognition.

The testimonial is a gold badge bearing on its obverse a large diamond in the center surrounded by the words "Chief of Police, Dawson, Y. T." On the reverse is the inscription, "Presented to Frank Smith, chief of police, by citizens of Dawson, December, 1902." It is one of the most artistic specimens of the jeweller's art that Mr. J. L. Sale has turned out.

But this was not all. On Christmas day the chief's own force desired to show their appreciation, and they elected Corporal Egan to do the

speechmaking. The corporal was modest, and timid, and the boys kept saying "Take another, corporal," and in that way his courage was warmed up to the speaking point. On behalf of the force he then presented Superintendent Smith with a beautiful gold watch.

There had been other remembrances of Christmas left at the town police station, and when "Billy" Fairbanks appeared with his testimonial Sergeant Smith philosophically remarked: "It never rains but it pours."

HOCKEY TONIGHT

Civil Service Boys Promise a Hot Game.

Battered and bruised and stiff in the joints from the hard fought game of Christmas day, the Civil Service hockey team will again appear at the rink tonight, determined to permit no lowering of the percentage of the present winnings. They will play the police tonight and the latter will put in the strongest team it can get together, taking advantage of the fact that the Civil Service boys are not entirely recovered from the game on Thursday afternoon and the seasonal festivities which followed it. It will be a hardy-contested match.

MEETING TONIGHT

Of the Supporters of McLennan for Mayor.

The supporters of R. P. McLennan for mayor got into their comfortable quarters on the ground floor of the Peterson block today, and are rapidly systematizing the work of the campaign. The good news that each caller in the new headquarters brings in keeps up the enthusiasm of the workers, and no one now has any doubts of the success of Mr. McLennan although nothing near a close canvass has been made. The general committee held a meeting in the headquarters this evening, to which all the supporters of the candidate are cordially invited.

CHURCH SERVICES

Methodist Church. — Special Xmas services will be held tomorrow. In the morning the pastor will preach the regular monthly sermon to children. Subject, "The Mission of the Christ Child." Anthem, male quartet, "Love"—Messrs. McLeod, Povah and Telleison. The evening subject will be "The Precious Name" and the following music will be sung: Anthem, "Gloria," by Mozart; solo, "Nazareth," by Gounod—Mr. O. S. Finnie; solos, "He Shall Feed His Flock," and "Come Unto Me," by Messiaen—Mrs. Edyth Walker and Mrs. Fyeh. After the Benediction, "Sevenfold Amen," by Stainer.

League Officers.

Philadelphia, Dec. 12.—At today's session of the National Civil Service Reform League the following officers were elected: President, Daniel C. Gilman; Baltimore—vice-presidents, Charles Francis Adams, Boston; Joseph H. Choate, New York; Grover Cleveland, Princeton; Charles W. Eliot, Cambridge; Arthur T. Hadley, New Haven; Henry C. Lee, Philadelphia; Seth Low, New York; Franklin MacVeagh, Chicago; Henry C. Potter, D.D., New York; P. J. Ryan, D.D., Philadelphia; Henry A. Garfield, Cleveland.

Not Boubonic Plague

San Francisco, Dec. 12.—The call says that Dr. A. H. Glennon, the accredited representative of the United States government, is preparing a report to Surgeon General Wyman, of the marine hospital service at Washington, D.C., to the effect that there has never been any boubonic plague in California. Dr. Glennon's report will go further and declare positively that after a thorough and exhaustive investigation the bacillus supposed to be of the plague is that of chicken cholera, a comparatively harmless disease.

New Court of Justice

Washington, Dec. 12.—The house committee on public buildings and grounds reported favorably the bill appropriating \$7,000,000 to purchase a site for a court of justice building for the accommodation of the supreme court of the United States. The department of justice, national law library, and international tribunals. The committee also reported the bill which has passed the senate, carrying \$3,000,000 for the construction of a new department of agriculture building but cut the limit to \$1,500,000.

Done by Court's Order

Cripple Creek, Col., Dec. 12.—There is great excitement here tonight at the outcome of the war on gambling. Acting under order of court, officers have seized and destroyed by burning all the gambling paraphernalia in the city, the value of which runs into thousands of dollars. Great crowds are on the streets, discussing the event, and the situation is an excitable one.

Cause of Stage Fright

An expert claims that stage fright really comes from a disordered stomach. He argues from this fact that persons in Dawson contemplating appearance should be careful of their diet and always buy groceries of Dunham, where they are always sure of getting the purest and best.

HOW YOU MUST VOTE

Regulations for Yukon Council Election

Every Vote Will Have to be Sworn in and You Can Only Vote Once.

A number of enquiries have been received at this office in regard to the voting lists for the territorial election, and the manner in which the election is to be carried out. In response to this it may be said that there are no official voting lists, and that every voter swears in his vote, so to speak, by signing the following before he is handed his ballot:

I, of do solemnly swear that I am a natural born, or naturalized, male British subject of the full age of twenty-one years, and that I have continuously resided in the Yukon Territory for a period of not less than twelve months prior to the date of this election and that I have not voted before at this election at this or any other polling place. So help me God.

Je, de dans le Territoire du Yukon jure positivement que je suis sujet Britannique par naissance, ou par naturalization, de sexe masculin, que j'ai 21 ans accomplis, que j'ai continuellement résidé dans le Territoire du Yukon depuis au moins 12 mois précédant la date de cette élection et que je n'ai pas déjà voté à cette élection, et à ce bureau de votation ou à aucun autre.

Other enquiries are made in regard to the wild statement made publicly by an irresponsible person that in this election a voter may vote in this city and afterwards at as many places on the creeks as he might be able to reach before the polls closed. It was also stated that rigs would be provided to convey voters from here to the creeks and from the creeks here on election day, in order that they might vote more than once and for more than one candidate. This, of course, is nonsense, but it may be as well to call attention to another oath that the voter has to take and sign when voting for the territorial council. It is an oath that the voter has received no bribe or other consideration, and reads:

I, do solemnly swear that I have not received anything nor have anything been promised me, nor have I asked for anything directly or indirectly, either to induce me to vote at this election or for loss of time, traveling expenses, hire of team or for any other service connected therewith, and that in the casting of my vote at this election I am not impelled or influenced by fear or by expectation of favor. So help me God.

Great Fox Ball Game

This is an account of a football game as seen by the sporting editor of the Wellington, Kan., News:

"The hardest fight the high school team has had this year was handed to them yesterday by the Roberts team from Mayfield. It was a royal contest and wound up with the score at 6 to 0 in favor of Mayfield."

"We couldn't tell much about it, but in the first place some men from Mayfield went up to the ball and gave it a vicious kick, and everybody in town started after it. Some men from Wellington got hold of it and every man that was registered in the first ward and a few people from the rural routes jumped right square on top of him. We never saw him again, but when everybody got up the ball was lying all right."

"Then some man jumped over and put his hands on the ball and dared anybody to take it away from him before he could count twenty. When he had counted up to about ten he tried to play a dirty trick on the whole gang and handed the ball back between his legs to a red-headed fellow who had a chunk of liver sized over his nose. The red-headed cuss tried to sneak off up into the Bowers pasture with the ball, and he didn't have a friend in the crowd."

"They downed him in about a second, even his own crowd jumped on him just like the people on the other side. They took the ball away from him and a man they called the umpire asked a man from Mayfield if he could kick the darned thing over the fence and they would get another one and start over again. And then it was only a repetition of what they had done before. It seemed like as if they wasn't willing anybody should have the ball but the man they called the umpire."

"When he would get the ball he would carry it around just as he dared pleased, and they didn't dare to touch him, but just let anybody else take the ball and begin to count and it made everybody else so dog gone mad it looked all the time as if there was going to be a riot. And so after they had tried for an hour to tear the ball to pieces, the umpire said he guessed they had better smother off for the day and try it again some time, and everybody went home."

Send a copy of the Nugget's Christmas edition to your outside friends.

PRESERVATION OF FORESTS

With Portrait of Sir Henri Joly de Lothiniere, an Enthusiast on the Subject.

The splendid annual report of the Canadian Forestry Association, with its many fine engravings of different forest trees and lumbering operations must exert a good influence in the right direction. Here in the Yukon territory very little interest is at present taken in the important question as to how best to preserve the forests while at the same time using their timber, but, although the clearing of large tracts of land for agricultural purposes may be some years hence, the denudation of all the banks of the streams for wood to be used in mining is becoming a matter to be early taken into consideration. For the great necessity of the mining industry, as it is of the farming industry, is water, and all authorities are now agreed that trees



His Honour Sir Henri Joly de Lothiniere, K. C. M. G., Honorary President of the Canadian Forestry Association.

have a direct influence upon the water supply in attracting the moisture from the skies. There will come a time in the Yukon, therefore, when it will seem to be advisable to have laws providing that those who cut down trees should do it by a prescribed system which would ensure a new growth.

In the last annual report of the Canadian Forestry Association there is a report by Sir Henri Joly de Lothiniere, lieutenant governor of British Columbia, of the eastern forest trees grown at Victoria from seed, which is of great interest in turning one's attention to this matter. He writes:

"It may be found interesting as well as useful to see how our eastern trees will thrive in British Columbia, and to compare their annual growth and the length of the growing season in British Columbia with their growth and the duration of the growing season in the east."

"For that purpose I procured from the east seed of the butternut, black walnut, red oak, ashleaved maple and green ash, and sowed them in the government garden at Victoria in the autumn of 1900."

"Owing to my absence from Victoria during the following spring of 1901, I cannot determine the exact period at which the young trees came out of the ground, but on my return at the beginning of June, I found them much more advanced than they would have been with us in Quebec, certainly more than two weeks; and in the autumn their growth was prolonged, in average, about three weeks more than at Quebec."

"As their size here is about the same as it would have been at Quebec, where the growing season is at least one month shorter, I conclude that the difference is accounted for by the greater degree of heat of our Quebec comparatively short summers."

"The success of this first experiment was very satisfactory, especially considering that a certain portion of the nuts only germinate the second year. In the present case next spring, during the first summer, out of 174 butternuts sown 115 came up. Out of 120 black walnut sown, 88 came up. The 160 seeds of ashleaved maple only produced 48 trees."

"Altogether I consider the result as satisfactory, especially if, as I expect from what happens in the east, some more nuts come up this next spring."

"Out of 247 seeds of the beautiful large leaved maple (Acer macrophyllum), sent me from the Park of Vancouver, 200 came up, which I propose sending to the east, as they are not found there. Some of the leaves of the mature tree are from 18 to 20 inches in length."

"It would appear that the con-

ditions of successful growing of trees from seed are more favorable on the island of Vancouver, or at all events at Victoria, than on the mainland of British Columbia."

"I was warned by people who had experience from the conditions on the mainland, that it was no use sowing the seed in the fall, as it would rot in the ground owing to the frequent rains, which I have not found to be the case. The fact is that it requires that rain to open the nuts. That work is performed for us in Quebec by the winter frost."

"During the last summer I sowed eucalyptus, elm and cedar seed, which came up satisfactorily, but it was too late in the season to form an opinion as to what the whole season's growth would have been."

so perchance to elicit ideas how the object of this paper can be best attained. It is only by united effort that we can hope to attain what I am sure is the heart's desire of all of us, viz., to conserve the forest wealth of the country for the general good, not only of the present generation but those to follow, and to preserve for posterity if even a vestige of the glories of the primeval forests."

"Let me first try and picture to you a forest in whose bounds are included towering snow-capped mountains, pellucid lakes, streams fed by the glaciers above, thundering down the dizzy precipices of the mountain sides, and anon finding resting places in the still, forest-protected pools, then rushing on to their destination, through pebbly reaches between moss and fern-covered banks, and above all the grand giants of the forest, standing like the sentinels that nature has created them; guarding the stores of precious life-giving water. This is a true picture, one of many to be witnessed, and one in which my good friend Dr. Fletcher shared with me during a trip up Mount Arrowsmith last year. But what of this picture which I have so feebly attempted to describe? How long will it last? Any time we may see the ruthless hand of man despoiling it of its sylvan beauty, or the devastating forest fire consuming alike its beauty and its value. Then consider the picture of ground denuded of vegetation, the vegetable mould burned away leaving the blackened roots and bare rock or gravel soil exposed, trees, veritable monarchs of the forest, lying in blackened ruins forming an impenetrable embarras, the watercourses exposed to the summer sun, reduced to but a shadow of their former selves, like the sixth age of man, adapted, 'its bed a world too wide for its shrunk stream.'"

"I dare say you have all seen such sights, they are but too common, especially so in our western province, where the forest wealth has been lavished by nature with such a prodigal hand. There the forest has been looked upon, except by those whose vocations teach them that it is a source of wealth, but as a barrier to settlement and a hindrance to the prospector seeking for mineral wealth, to be destroyed and got rid of at any cost. It is well indeed that this association should now sound the note of alarm; it is none too soon, for we all, in our day, have seen the effects of procastination. Whole districts have been deforested by wasteful methods and culpable carelessness. Failing to take warning from the older settled portions of the continent, the dried-up water courses, lands washed bare of soil, floods, and all the consequent evils bear silent but indubitable witness to the effects of procastination. Failing to take a lesson from the provident methods of our own mother country and other lands, we have allowed, and are allowing, the land to be denuded of its forests, and have not made provision for its reforestation. In British Columbia we have vast forests of valuable timber, but even in my time whole districts have been rendered treeless, and were it not for the provident hand of nature which itself reforestes in its own way, there would not now be a vestige of timber growth where the destroyed forests existed; and even in many tracts which have been thus reforested, fire has often, again and again, been allowed full sway. Under these conditions it is not difficult to foresee that, if a halt is not called, we will live to regret that the bountiful gifts of nature. Let it not be understood that I mean to imper the lawful business of the lumberman, or placing vexatious restrictions to his detriment and loss; on the contrary, I truly acknowledge the value of his calling, and the immense importance of the industry to our country. But I do maintain that the methods pursued should be put under strict supervision, and under equitable safeguards, not only in the interest of the country generally, but in those of the lumbermen themselves."

"Now as to the safeguards whereof I speak, I feel that I am helpless in offering adequate suggestions, and whilst it is possible to enact laws and to carry out their provisions regulating the timber industry, I feel that the further and far more difficult question of preservation from the other causes of destruction, still remain to be solved, questions which we know will tax the ingenuity of the cleverest to suggest practicable remedies for; and at the best, it is apparent in a country like British Columbia, that even with the most practical suggestions, and with the most careful efforts which can be put forth, we can only hope for a mitigation of the losses which are now occurring. Nevertheless if even a modicum of good is effected it will be work well done and I feel that it is the duty of every member of this association to express his views, and to make suggestions, and for the association to take up the broad question of the preservation of our native forests from the inevitable destruction which now threatens them. The question being really one of a national character, perhaps it might be suggested that the whole management of the forests be placed in the hands of qualified commissioners appointed jointly by the Dominion and the several provincial governments interested. These commissioners after fully satisfying themselves regarding the existing conditions would be in a position to make suggestions for the guidance of the various legislatures in framing laws and for the assimilation as far as circumstances will admit, of existing regulations. It is true the expense of such a commission would no doubt be great, but we cannot hope to attain much without a liberal expenditure, and surely the interests involved warrant any reasonable outlay. These ideas of mine may be considered Utopian and unworthy of consideration, and if so, I only trust some member may suggest a scheme more worthy of consideration."

"In British Columbia timber limits have been let without restriction as to size, shape, or whether containing or to other locations. This naturally leads to the suggestion that further timber limits should be granted only under the strictest conditions, as regards the conservation of the public interests in the forests. It appears reasonable that timber lands should be laid out in regular blocks, that the government should reserve sections, perhaps alternately, that certain restrictions should be placed on the business of lumbermen, having in view the preservation of those parts of the forests that are not considered merchantable at the present time; such as a proper disposition of the brush and waste material so as to avoid as much as possible the danger of the spread of fire from this cause, devoting the revenue derived from the forests to their preservation by a system of wardens, or such other means as may be considered effective."

"In conclusion the thought has often occurred to me that one of the grandest monuments that can possibly be erected to commemorate some of the notable events which have of late transpired in the empire of which we form an integral part would be the setting aside as a national reservation, a tract of country such as I have tried (and I fear most lamentably failed) to describe. Or will some wealthy philanthropist perpetuate his name by devoting some of the world's goods wherewith he is blessed, to so good an object and preserve to future generations a thing of beauty and a joy forever."

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NOW BLOCKADED.

Great Britain and Germany Now in Venezuela.

Caracas, Venezuela, Dec. 20. — The blockade is now in effect, the warships of Great Britain and Germany having jointly seized the custom houses. Citizens are very much surprised at this, and do not understand how it can be done if the matter has really been left to arbitration.

SOCIETY.

(Continued from page 4.)

Mrs. White-Fraser, rear of the Administration building.

Mayor and Mrs. Henry C. Macaulay had quite a Réve party on Christmas, a sort of family reunion. The guests were Mr. Justice and Mrs. Macaulay, Mr. Hubert Macaulay, Mr. Vincent Keenan, Mr. H. E. A. Robertson and Mr. H. Milton Martin.

A pretty home wedding of two of the popular young folk of Dawson will be celebrated on New Year's eve when Mr. Erwin Huberman leads to the altar Miss Edwards. The affair has been kept rather quiet, but in spite of their vigilance the secret has leaked out. I am sure that all will join me when I say that I hope the approaching New Year will be the happiest of their lives. At least such is the wish of THE CHAPPEE.

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