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PUBLIC REPORTS

Relating to the Territory Have Been Compiled by Comptroller Lithgow.

SEPTEMBER 1898 TO MARCH 1900.

Revenues and Expenditures for Past Fifteen Months

EXCEED SUM OF \$350,000.

The Treasury Is Depleted and the Government is in Debt to the Extent of \$20,222.16.

Mr. J. T. Lithgow, who occupies the official position of comptroller of the Yukon territory has just completed the compilation of his statistical statement, relative to the revenues and expenditures of the local territorial government from September 1st, 1898, to March 31st, 1900. This report of the comptroller does not include the revenues derived nor expenditures made in connection with the office of gold commissioner, timber and land office, postoffice, or other particular departments of the federal government.

The statement reverts to September, 1898, the time when local affairs were segregated from that official business which pertains exclusively to the Dominion departments at Ottawa. The local government, during its existence has collected in revenues the sum of \$322,144.15. Its total expenditures have amounted to \$352,366.58. The deficit, \$20,222.43, is represented by an overdraft at the Canadian Bank of Commerce.

The itemized report of the comptroller is as follows:

tures, local revenue, Yukon Territory, from September 1st, 1898, to March 31st, 1900:

| REVENUES. | |
|------------------------------------|---------------------|
| Received from fines..... | \$73,472.50 |
| Barristers' registration fees..... | 720.00 |
| Liquor permits..... | 101,628.14 |
| Peddler's licenses..... | 1,400.00 |
| Liquor licenses..... | 146,655.66 |
| Auctioneers' licenses..... | 1,150.00 |
| Dawson water front..... | 4,712.75 |
| Revenues from sundry sources..... | 2,405.00 |
| Total..... | \$322,144.15 |

| EXPENDITURES. | |
|---|---------------------|
| Overdrawn at Canadian Bank of Commerce..... | 20,222.43 |
| Total..... | \$352,366.58 |

| EXPENDITURES. | |
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| Donations to hospitals, care of indigents, sick, etc..... | \$112,305.97 |
| Wagon roads..... | 99,532.22 |
| Burial of indigents..... | 4,549.00 |
| Printing and stationery..... | 6,922.61 |
| Fire department..... | 63,413.41 |
| Bridges..... | 7,292.61 |
| Board of health..... | 2,848.08 |
| Drains and ditches..... | 15,085.41 |
| Lighting streets..... | 2,075.39 |
| Dawson free reading room..... | 1,125.00 |
| School books lost on steamer Stratton..... | 230.10 |
| Passage paid for indigents..... | 5,611.11 |
| Salaries..... | 10,298.06 |
| Contingencies..... | 3,241.85 |
| Streets..... | 17,485.93 |
| Total..... | \$352,366.58 |

Four Insane Patients.

Confined in the barracks guardhouse at the present time are four insane persons—whether incurably so or only temporarily is not yet fully decided by the physician in charge. It is said, however, that the quartette is heard at all hours of the night, much to the annoyance of the large number who are employed in the fuel factory and who certainly are entitled to undisturbed repose during the night. There is no doubt but that the best is being done for the unfortunates who are insane that can be done under present conditions, but as the number of that class of patients increases it will certainly be necessary to create for their confinement and care a ward separate and apart from the common prison.

Gamblers Increasing.

Information has been filed in the police court this month against 81 gamblers, the largest number ever informed against in one month in the history of Dawson. The regulation fine for the offence of gambling is \$50, with \$5 additional for costs, which for one month foots up to \$4455, and for 12 months to \$53,460. Previous to this month the number of warrants issued has been from 48 to 76.

CAPTAIN SCARTH'S COURT.

In police court this morning a new stenographer, Mr. H. G. Blankenard, occupied the place of R. B. Switzer, who is still sick. The first case was that of C. A. Mathews against whom the common monthly gambling charge was held. Mathews pleaded not guilty and in his own defence said he was only an odd job man around the Dominion. However, when he saw he was up against it, he pleaded to be let off, promising to shake the pulverized snow of Dawson from his moccasins within 48 hours. The court accepted his terms, and if Mathews is in town after 10 a. m. Sunday, the working force in the fuel factory will be increased by one.

G. B. McKann and J. C. Swizer each contributed \$50 and costs for imitating frisky lambs that gambol and frolic on the green.

W. R. Burton, an insane man who was remanded yesterday morning, was again called today, but on the evidence and advice of Dr. Thompson of the N. W. M. P., was taken back to the guard room until his condition can be more fully investigated. The statement made yesterday that Burton had been before the court on the same charge before was an error, as he was never in custody until yesterday morning when complaint was made by residents of the island at the mouth of the Klondike river that he was grossly misbehaving. Among other strange acts he visited the office of the Klondike Mill Co. and issued orders that the mill close down. He declined to leave the court room with the officer this morning until gently assisted. Nothing is known as to where Burton came from or how long he has been here.

The case of P. J. Sheehan, charged by Miss Miller of selling to her for \$600, in hand paid, a one-fourth interest in the Green Tree saloon, when plaintiff alleges, he did not own the property, is being heard.

McCord vs. Swartz and Bloementhal, for wages, was set for this afternoon.

Aichison vs. Gustafson for wages was continued until 10 o'clock Monday.

Water Grant.

A water grant has been issued to Andrew Ericsson and Peter Peterson for three years of 60 inches of water to be diverted at a point about the center of creek claim No. 80 below on Bonanza; and to be used for mining purposes on the hillside claim, left limit, opposite the upper half of No. 82 below on Bonanza. This grant has been issued subject to the water rights of creek claim owners, and to the protests of Bradley and Joel, as per decision of the gold commissioner, rendered on April 4th.

Two bits for joy at Rochester Bar. Best Canadian rye at the Regina.

LIQUOR LICENSE

Reduced by Yukon Council From \$2500 to \$1500 for Saloons in Dawson.

OTHER PLACES IN PROPORTION.

Franchise Granted To Jack Wiley and Others for Telephone.

ROADHOUSE MEN WARNED.

Position of Dog-Pound Keeper Sought After—Special Hospital Committee.

A meeting of the Yukon council was held yesterday, the commissioner presiding.

Present: Ogilvie, Girouard, Dugas, Clement, Senkler.

A communication was received from the citizens' committee respecting the incorporation of Dawson, and suggesting that the council call a public mass meeting of citizens to consider the question.

Moved by Mr. Clement, seconded by Mr. Girouard.

Resolved, That the council, while willing and ready to grant incorporation upon the basis usual in Canadian citizen towns, if desired by the inhabitants of Dawson, does not wish to appear either as advocating or opposing incorporation, and for this reason deems it fitting that the citizens should take the initiative in any movement towards this end.

A communication was received from Joseph Clarke, secretary of the citizens' committee, accompanied by the minutes of the last public mass meeting. Tabled.

Several applications were received for the position of keeper of the dog pound. Referred to the municipal committee.

A communication was received from the officer commanding the N. W. M. P., accompanied by a recommendation from Sergeant Wilson, that the sidewalks be made 12 feet in width. Referred to the municipal committee.

A communication was received from the comptroller asking permission to allow for publication of a statement of the revenues and expenditures of the territory. Granted.

A communication was received from the officer commanding the N. W. M. P., covering one from Inspector Starnes, calling attention to the complaint of the Indians that the white men were wastefully destroying the game. Referred to the legal adviser.

The following report of the finance committee was then received: "It is recommended that ordinance No. 29, of 1899, respecting intoxicating liquors, be amended as follows: (The reductions in the cost of licenses recommended are the same as published in the Daily Nugget of recent date.)

The question of a grant to the school established by Rev. Father Gendreau was taken up, and it is recommended to the council that a grant of \$250 per month be paid to Father Gendreau to be divided as follows: Teacher, \$100; assistant teacher, \$50; maintenance of school, \$100; total, \$250."

Moved by Mr. Girouard, seconded by Mr. Senkler.

Resolved, That the above report be adopted.

The committee on private bills reported: That at a meeting held on April 4th, the ordinance respecting the Dawson Telephone and Electric Co., Ltd., was considered and approved or with certain amendments.

(The above refers to a franchise to Jack Wiley and associates to construct, maintain and operate a telephone system in Dawson and surrounding country; but the franchise is not exclusive as was prayed for in the petition.)

The recommendation of the board of

fire commissioners that \$250 per month be granted towards defraying the expenses of the fire department at Grand Forks, since the apparatus was sent there, was referred to the council.

Moved by Mr. Girouard, seconded, by Mr. Clement.

Resolved, That the comptroller be instructed to pay the above amount on the approval of the chief of the fire department and the commissioner of the territory.

Mr. Justice Dugas gave the following notice of motion:

Resolved, That the license inspector be instructed to see to the taking of proceedings against the proprietors of hotels or roadhouses permitting immorality or improper conduct in their premises, and that the renewal of licenses be not granted or renewed to such proprietors.

Moved by Mr. Girouard, seconded by Mr. Clement.

Resolved, That a committee composed of the Hon. C. A. Dugas, W. H. P. Clement and E. C. Senkler be appointed for the purpose of attending to the hospital question generally, and allowance to be granted under the new ordinance, and especially to the entry in and the going out of sick and indigents from hospitals, and to the steps to be taken so as to ascertain the indigency of such sick persons.

Mr. Clement begged leave to introduce a bill to incorporate the Dawson Telephone and Electric Company, Ltd. He accordingly presented the said bill and the same was read a first time. It being a matter of urgency, and by unanimous consent of the council, the said bill was accordingly read a second and a third time and the commissioner having put the question "That this bill do now pass," it was resolved in the affirmative.

Resolved, That the bill amending ordinance No. 29, of 1899, respecting intoxicating liquors be now read a third time.

The commissioner having put the question "That this bill do now pass," it was resolved in the affirmative.

The council then adjourned until Friday, April 6th, at 8 o'clock, p. m.

Peel River Indians.

This noon 14 Indians from the Peel river country arrived in Dawson. They were provided with five sleds and dog teams. They report that the Hudson Bay Company's trading posts, which are established in the vicinity of the Peel river, have no supplies; and that they were forced to come over to the Yukon to secure provisions. They continued their journey to Dawson in order to see the great camp, concerning which they had heard so much.

C. D. Company Arrivals.

Capt. I. B. Sanborn, Captain T. Whelan, Harry Chapman, J. A. Ritchie, and E. O. Morck, all connected with the C. D. Co., arrived from Victoria today. The party left Skagway on March 24th. The trail is reported to be in fair condition, with the exception of that portion between here and Sixty mile. The gentlemen inspected the different boats and scows, belonging to the company which are wintering between Dawson and Whitehorse. Mr. Chapman, during his absence, has visited England and South Africa.

Trail Still Crowded.

From parties who arrived yesterday from Bennett it is learned that the trail for the entire distance is still crowded with people coming this way. One man asserts that he came in light and in 14 days, and that on the way he passed fully 400 head of horses, all of which were drawing heavy loads of freight. Several large cargoes of beef were passed; also poultry and eggs. The parties report that there were many persons who had reached Bennett with freight and who could not get away from that place until from the 1st to the 5th of the present month, yet they each and all expected to land their stuff in Dawson over the ice and sell it at enormous profits. They may; and again they may not.

Sliced Lubeck potatoes and Crown flour. Royal Grocery, Second ave.

DISTRICT COURT

Disposed Today of the Civil Action Entitled Lyon vs. Manning.

HEARING IN WILSON VS. WINTER

Has Been Fixed for Next Monday Morning.

APPOINTMENT OF RECEIVER.

The Suit Involves Creek No. 17, Eldorado—A. H. Thurston Suggested as Receiver.

This morning the case of George Lyon vs. Ruby Manning was tried by Justice Dugas. The plaintiff attempted to recover the price of six dozen bottles of beer, which had been delivered to the defendant at No. 60 below discovery on Bonanza last fall. The defendant admitted the receipt of the beer; but contended that it had been left at her roadhouse without her consent, and asserted she was ready to return it to plaintiff. The court decided that the plaintiff's cause was not supported by sufficient evidence to establish a sale, and judgment was rendered in favor of defendant.

In George A. Wilson vs. A. H. Winter and A. S. Winter, an application has been made for the appointment of Asa Thurston Hayden, as receiver, to take charge of the defendant's share of the gold dust which is extracted from the upper half of No. 12 Eldorado, pending the final determination of the action. The hearing on the motion has been fixed for 10 o'clock a. m., April 9th. White and McCaul are the attorneys of the plaintiff. Pattulo and Ridley represent the defendants.

In Styles vs. Gayin, the application to continue the injunction was granted temporarily.

The injunction in Raymond vs. Faulkner was continued until Monday. The hearing on the motion in McKay Brothers vs. the V. V. T. Co., was postponed till Monday.

In Hurdman vs. Johnson, the application to discharge the writ of capias issued in the cause was continued till Monday, April 16.

In the matter of the estate of James McLarty, deceased, an application has been made for the distribution of the estate.

The hearing on the motion in Bossuit vs. Timmins was continued until Monday.

Honest Indians.

Some Indians found a new basket sled in the neighborhood of Moosehide yesterday which, instead of appropriating to their own use as many Boston and King George men would have done, they brought to the town police station where it now awaits an owner. The Indians were careful, however, to stipulate that in case the owner does not call the sled is to revert to them.

Weather Report.

The maximum temperature for the 24 hours preceding 9 o'clock this morning was 36 degrees above zero. The minimum temperature during the same period of time was 8.5 degrees above.

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CONFIDENCE WARRANTED.

Within a very short time the entire district which was burned over in the January fire will be rebuilt, and the town will again assume its wonted appearance. If, as some of the croakers have said, Dawson is to be a short-lived affair as a town of commercial importance, it is very remarkable that our shrewdest business men should be so willing to invest thousands of dollars in property which, in the absence of population, can have no value.

This confidence is the more remarkable when it is considered that a large portion of the business district of Dawson has already been burned down three times, and that the buildings which have been and are now being erected on the burned district are not covered by one dollar of insurance.

The Nugget believes that this confidence, which is being so substantially backed by hard-earned dollars, is entirely justified by the future outlook for the town.

Dawson has been an active and prosperous center of business, in spite of circumstances most discouraging. Notwithstanding the fact that there has prevailed an almost unanimous conviction throughout the territory that failure on the part of the government to grant legislative relief would ultimately end in its ruin, our citizens, with dogged persistence, have worked along, developing the country and placing it in a position to advance with rapid strides, once the long looked for relief is granted.

Already there are evidences that the needs of the Yukon country will be recognized at Ottawa, and that at no distant date. They have learned the lesson down there that, unless the hen is kept alive and well taken care of, it will not continue to lay the golden eggs. Remedial action has to an extent already been taken, and more, we feel assured, is to follow, which will mean a revival in every line of business activity. For these reasons we hold to the opinion that investments in Dawson at the present time are evidences of shrewd and far-seeing business sagacity.

SHOULD BE UNITED.

If the citizens' committee accomplishes the ends for which it was created, all differences between its members must be settled immediately. Factional disagreements will tend only to postpone the attainments of what the committee was told to use its efforts in securing and what the community at large desires should be secured.

It is not a time for advocacy of personal interests. United action for the betterment of the people at large is what the occasion demands. The committee is a representative body, and a policy outlined and approved by its entire membership is bound to carry weight, not only with citizens who created the committee, but with the government as well. Differences, if such exist, should be set aside, and the committee should act as a unit.

Ottawa seems to be suffering from a dearth of good men.

When an official becomes thoroughly established in the confidence of the people of Dawson, somebody back at Ottawa discovers that he is badly needed for some other duty. Such changes as have been made, and more particularly those among the officers in the Northwest Mounted Police, simply tend to demoralize the service. It will be something remarkable if the morale of the police department does not suffer from these sudden changes.

Rudyard Kipling, who went to South Africa for the purpose, as he expressed it, of "being in at the death," has been corresponding with Harper's Weekly. Kipling has discovered evidences of much disloyalty in Cape Colony, from his graphic account of which, extracts are printed elsewhere in this issue. When the war is ended, it is altogether probable that some of these disloyal Cape Colonists will be made to feel the force of John Bull's hand.

The Council, in passing the ordinance respecting a reduction in the amounts previously charged for liquor licenses, has acted in a spirit which will commend itself to most of our citizens. The former fees charged for liquor licenses were altogether too high, considering the fact that the original fees were fixed during the height of the boom in '98.

Lord Roberts will endeavor to bring the war to a successful conclusion before the return of the Queen's birthday anniversary. Should his expectations be realized, there will be a celebration throughout the empire such as never before occurred. The festivities which took place at the Queen's jubilee will doubtless be outdone.

Some provision should be made for caring for the insane of the territory other than is afforded by the jail. The authorities have several cases of insanity on their hands now. These people require special care, and should not be incarcerated along with ordinary criminals.

Water Application.

George H. Lytle has applied to the mining recorder for a three years' grant of 60 inches of water, to be diverted at a point about the center of creek claim No. 80 below discovery on Bonanza. Said water is to be used for mining purposes on a claim, particularly described as gulch claim No. 1 on a pup which enters Bonanza on the left limit at No. 81a below.

The Eagles Celebrated.

Last night, in response to the invitation of manager Alex Pantage, the Eagles attended the performance at the Orpheum theater. Prior to the commencement of the entertainment, the order formed in parade lines behind the band and marched through the principal streets of the city. The capacity of the theater was crowded to its utmost, and the guests enjoyed a very pleasant evening. The entertainment consisted of the production of a melo-drama, entitled "Only a Mountain Maid," and the rendition of an olio. The performers acquitted themselves most creditably. Capt. Jack Crawford, on behalf of the Eagle fraternity, delivered a very appropriate speech, in which he tendered to the theatrical management, the actors and actresses the hearty thanks of the Fraternal Order of Eagles.

Placer Claim Grants.

F. A. Smith has received a grant for the placer ground described as creek claim No. 1 on a pup adjoining the left limit of what is known as '53 and '54 pup," which enters Hunker creek between No. 1 and 2.

J. W. Sweeney recorded claim No. 2 on the same pup. Both properties were staked on April 5th.

When in town, stop at the Regina. Ladies' belt purses. Pioneer drug store.

"Mainland" and "British Lion" cigars 25 cents. Rochester Bar, cor. Second ave. and Third sts.

Table de hote dinners. The Holborn.

FROM WASHINGTON CITY.

Senators Tillman and Morgan Have a Tilt on the Floor.

Which in the Old Days Would Have Meant Blood—Allison's Strong Steering Committee.

In the old days a personal reference made on the floor of the senate by Senator Tillman to Senator Morgan would have resulted in pistols and coffee for two, but there is no longer any fighting in congress, even when Southern hot-heads, as Tillman and Morgan, indulge in flinging personal insults at each other. The incident grew out of the refusal of Morgan some days before to give the floor to Tillman in order that he might reply to a taunt of Senator Wolcott, about the "suppressed vote" of South Carolina. Tillman said: "I have felt indignant at the treatment I received from the senator. Never in my experience in the senate have I been treated so discourteously by any member of the senate." At this point Morgan attempted to interrupt him to make a statement, but Tillman in pettiness waved him aside, and continued: "I decline to yield to the senator. He has put himself outside of the pale of courtesy and consideration, so far as I am concerned."

The most significant feature of the meeting of the Democratic national committee in Washington was the power exercised by ex Senator Gorman. It was his influence that knocked out the plan, fathered by Mr. Bryan, of holding the Democratic convention in advance of the Republican convention, and it was also his influence that caused Kansas City to be chosen for the convention after Milwaukee seemed to have a cinch. Mr. Gorman's powerful and unexpected influence in the committee is not relished by the Bryan worshippers. He has publicly said that he would support Mr. Bryan if he was nominated, but he has not said that he will help get him nominated. Mr. Gorman is one of the slickest and most slippery politicians in the country, and there is very little doubt that he will keep Mr. Bryan out of the nomination, if he can find a way to do it.

Ex Senator Edmunds put a quick stop to the report that he would join the so-called anti-imperialists in supporting Bryan, by saying: "It is absurd to think I would vote for Bryan under any circumstances. I agree with Senator Hoar that however we may differ with what seems to be the Republican Philippine policy, it will be impossible to support Bryan. He stands for so many things that are antagonistic to Republican principles that I would trust my own party before I would join him. We must take the average of things and not be influenced by a single fact."

Senator Allison has chosen for his fellow members of the Republican steering committee, the following brilliant array of senatorial talent: Hale, of Maine; Aldrich, of Rhode Island; Cullom, of Illinois; Wolcott, of Colorado; Sewell, of New Jersey; Spooner, of Wisconsin; McBride, of Oregon, and Hanna, of Ohio. With such able and experienced advisers to arrange the order of business Republicans can be certain that no mistake will be made by the senate.

A Big Shipper.

Mr. T. G. Wilson, who shipped several hundred tons of freight to Dawson last year and who also had a large lot left at Bennett on account of the overcrowded condition of the steamers and the early closing of navigation, will leave for the outside in company with Lieut. S. E. Adair on Saturday or Sunday. He has arranged for the shipment of 1100 tons of general merchandise to Dawson during the coming season. Among other plans for investment, he proposes building a large brick store here as soon as the material can be obtained.

The warmest and most comfortable hotel in Dawson is at the Regina.

Private dining rooms at the Holborn. Chewing tobacco \$1 per pound. Royal Grocery, Second ave.

Same old price, 25 cents, for drinks at the Regina.

The Holborn Cafe for delicacies.

Spring Styles Arrive.

The Star Clothing house has received today its first consignments of gent's furnishing goods over the ice. They comprise fancy shirts in swell patterns from the famous Neustadter Bros' factory, the very latest in neckwear, hats of the latest block, and a full line of high-class clothing. A. S. Levine is the enterprising proprietor of the establishment.

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IMMENSE DOMINION DUMPS

Detailed Statement of Mining on a Rich Creek.

Many Machines Are Being Worked and the Approaching Washup Will Be Correspondingly Large.

Dominion has the largest dumps of any creek except Eldorado, and the cleanup will be a rich one. What figures the cleanup will reach is hard to estimate for the ground varies greatly and two dumps perhaps on the same claim will be of far different value. The ground is being worked systematically this winter and machinery is used on the majority of claims while laymen are not so numerous.

No. 21 above upper has some nice dumps out, and the pay has been first-class. Ed Hearn has lately disposed of the ground not drifted out and his machinery to his employees, a thing that speaks well for the claim for the workmen certainly know what is going on. No. 20 above has not been worked, but the owners have men at work now sinking, and the ground will probably be worked this summer. Sinclair Brothers have done some very fine work on 19 above upper, drifting under a glacier with wood fires. The boys are certainly experts in their line and have out some good dumps. No. 17 has out some fair dumps, as also has 18, the former being drifted with steam. No. 16 above has out the largest dumps in this vicinity and the boys have had some very fine pay. They used a thawer. No. 14 above has a complete thawer and hoist and are getting out a large dump. Mr. John McCormack, one of the owners, has recently moved out to the claim from 36 above Sulphur. The ground yields very fair pay and will be continuously worked. No. 12 above has had a thawer at work ever since last fall, and the dumps are very fair ones. No. 11 was not worked during the early winter, but later laymen came out and lined up with No. 12's pay and are doing very well. Nos. 7 and 8 above have some very fine dumps, and the pay is reported good. The claims were profitably worked last summer and will be worked out this year. No. 5 above had a few prospect holes sunk during the winter and the pay located. Recently Clarence Boatman, a layman, sold out to Mr. Elliot, and Mr. E. W. Mills is in charge, having a thawer at work night and day, and the dumps are growing rapidly. Nos. 3 and 4 above will be worked this summer with machinery. No. 2 above has some fine dumps out and the dirt has proved very rich. Messrs. Smith, Holden and Nichols will work continuously till the ground is drifted out. No. 1a above has a steam plant and fair dumps. No. 1 above has the largest dumps on the upper part of the creek. Mr. Beck is not inclined to talk much about his pay, but the ground paid to burn last winter, and the quiet smile of its owner speaks well for this winter's output. The claim will be worked this summer, as will also upper discovery claim. The lower half has two plants at work and some very fair dumps. No. 2 below was worked last summer and closed till the first of March. Preparations have been made for continuous work and a thawer is being utilized in taking out some very fine pay. No. 3 below has the largest dumps above Cariboo City and has also found the largest nugget this winter and next to the largest ever found on the creek. No. 4 below has out some very fine dumps and the claim is classed among the richest on the creek. Mr. J. E. McAlpine recently arrived from the outside and went to work in dead earnest. The dumps on No. 5 are growing very rapidly and prove the efficiency of machinery. The Nugget representative happened along about noon and 250 large buckets had been hoisted that day. Andrew Halsted has quite a gang of men at work on 6, and his dumps are large ones. The pay is first class and the steam plant used is thoroughly up to date. No. 7 is being worked by laymen and the pay has been first-class. The dumps are quite large and promise to sluice up well. No. 8 below has out some good dumps and will be worked this summer. Mr. Debnay has a complete plant on the claim and will open the ground up in first-class style. No. 9 below has out some very large dumps and the ground is considered as good as No. 10. Both claims have steam thawers and hoists and are being worked to their full capacities. No. 12 below has a very pretty plant and two cages are utilized to bring the glittering dust to the surface. Frank Swanson, the owner,

has charge of the work and the large dump is an evidence of his ability. C. E. Coy has been working 14 below continuously since last winter and his dumps this winter are very good ones. No. 15 below has a thawer at work and some fair dumps. No. 16 had to close down some time back, the water driving the men out. No. 17 is being worked on lays and the dumps are a prominent feature of the creek's development. The pay is good, and smiling countenances are found in each cabin. No. 18 below is in charge of the Edgar brothers, who own half the claim. They have out a very large dump and the dirt has a high average. No. 19 was worked out last winter excepting a small portion of the upper part. The workmen were driven out by water early in the winter, and work has since been abandoned. No. 21 has the lower end working, and the pay will average very fair. Nos. 21a and 22 have out the largest dumps on Dominion not using steam. The ground is very good and both claims will be worked this summer. No. 24 has good dumps out which promise to sluice well. A number of men have been employed burning and windlassing. No. 31 below upper to No. 3a above lower is the most extensively worked portion of the creek. Every claim has machinery and the dumps stand like mountain peaks. It would be hard to tell which has the largest dumps, or which is the richest, as no two claims utilize exactly similar machinery. No. 34 was forced to abandon some very rich ground, as the water entered their drifts. A similar misfortune occurred to No. 33. No. 36 uses a trolley line and the dumps come up to a peak like the dome. No. 13 above lower has two plants at work and pay has been located over a hundred feet wide. J. C. Felix has about 20,000 buckets out on his fraction, 11a, a very good showing for himself and two men. The Nugget representative saw eight pans taken from various parts of the dump rocked, and they averaged 20 cents. Mat Duffy on 11 has some very rich ground as has H. Holst on No. 10. Both claims are being worked thoroughly with machinery, and the dumps are above the average. No. 9a is burning the ground and the dumps are of fair size and the pay is good. No. 9 above is being well opened up and will be worked during the summer. Some very fair dirt has been hoisted and the dumps are good. No. 8a above is worked by laymen, who have out large dumps—steam again leading its power to secure the earth's treasure. No. 8 above has two plants and the men are raising some very fine pay. No. 7a above has four lays and machinery is employed. The pay is above average and a good cleanup from the claim is anticipated. Jack Nelson on No. 7 above is employing a number of men and has a very fine plant, including pumps for raising a sluice head. His dumps are large and said to be rich. From 7 above lower the pay seems to leave the creek and enter the left limit hillsides, many of which were worked last summer. Of those doing winter work, Nos. 5 and 6 have out the largest dumps and are said to be very rich. Mr. Wallace of 6 has had some very fine pay and his dumps are large ones. Several lays are being worked on these claims, among those doing good work are Mr. Lamb on 6 and Al Bartlett on 5, both having good dumps. The Anderson property on No. 3 pup has been successfully worked by laymen and some good dumps are in evidence. Lower discovery claim has at last located the pay near the hillside lines and fair dumps have been taken out. No. 2 below is being worked by laymen who have out some good dirt. The next two claims, 2a and 2b, were working on a poor pay streak and accidentally struck a second streak that is a winner. The boys quickly lined up and the dumps on the right bank of the creek are good ones. Mr. Hebb, one of the owners of 2b and 5 below recently made a tip out and he says the ground is showing up far beyond his expectation. Nos. 5 and 6 below are being worked by laymen and both claims are dotted with dumps. The pay is said to be very good. No. 7 below is being worked by the owners, as is 9 and 11; all three burning the ground and having out large dumps. No. 12 below is let on lays and this claim and No. 12a are said to be extremely rich. Messrs. Zimmerman, Crowell and Stenwick have a nice plant on the latter claim and will work the ground till drifted out. No. 18 below has few dumps and 19 has out some very large ones. The ground is above the average and the owners will have a nice cleanup. No. 21 has shown up unusually well, and although the dumps are not as large as some other claims in the vicinity, the expense is smaller and Messrs. Gerow and Whalley will have a profitable winter's work. Nos. 22, 23 and 24 have good dumps, and the pay continues good. It enters the hillside at No. 25, and Mr. Richards and part-

ners have a thawer at work and have taken out some rich dumps. H. Boulais is working the lower part of No. 30 creek claim with a complete steam plant and the upper part is let out on lays. A large number of men are employed here and a small village has sprung up. The dumps are very large and said to contain good pay. No. 32 hillside is a summer proposition and from here to 7a the pay is in the hillsides. Several have out good dumps and the remainder will be worked this summer. The great drawback will be water to sluice. Murphy brothers have out good dumps on creek claim 73b. Their dirt is not rich, but it will hold up to a good average and there is quite a depth of it. No. 73c had a thawer and quite a gang of men at work and some fair dumps are ready to be sluiced. Nos. 73d and 74 divide the pay with the hillsides and all the ground is being worked. The creek claims utilized a thawer. McCrimmons brothers prospected 76 hillside and have located fair pay. The hillsides to 80 below are being worked or prospected, fair pay has been located on many and the dumps are fast putting in appearance. Messrs. Dillman and Winters have out some good dumps on 80 creek claim, as have also their neighbors on 79. Pay has been located on the hillsides in the eighties and on several creek claims on the extreme lower creek; but very little has been done. The coming summer will see a great deal of prospecting on lower Dominion hillsides and some good pay will be located.

Of the hillsides on the upper creeks, Nos. 5 and 9 below upper have been drifted with thawers and considerable dirt taken out, the latter claim having a very large dump. Nos. 27 and 28 below upper have complete plants of machinery and good dumps, while 15 below drifted with fires. These three hillsides are considered among Dominion's best property. Today, sluice boxes are being built, dams are being constructed and every one is preparing for the cleanup that will surprise the country and place the creek second only to Eldorado. Several Dominion claims have had small cleanups already. Frank Swanson on 12 below upper had his boxes in last week and run the dirt from the cage in wheel barrows to the boxes. Joe Barrett and Geo. Lamore on 12 above lower started sluicing a little on March 20, but did not continue the work.

THE LAD FROM INVERNESS.

He would go, they could not keep him, for he came of fighting stock. Though his widowed mother pleaded, he was firm as any rock. Well he loved the patient woman who had nursed him on her breast, Been quite blind to all his follies, but he loved her country best. "I'll come home again," he told her; "I'll come home again some day." Laid his face to hers and kissed her, said good-bye to the world and away. Stronger than the voice that pleaded, "Laddie, addie, bide at home," Was the shrill voice of the bugle and the deep voice of the drum. Calling to him all the day, calling to him in his dreams. "Come, lad! Come, lad! Come! Come! Come!" His face was like a maiden's face, so smooth it was and fair. The laughter in his eyes of gray, the sunshine in his hair. But a man's heart, true and gallant, beat beneath the tartan plaid. And a strong right arm he boasted, did this Bonnie Highland lad. Oh, the battlefield is gruesome, with its dying and its dead. But 'twas to the field of battle that the drum and bugle led. Magesfontein—and the bullets biting fiercely right and left. And the tartan kilt and hose there in the thickest of the fight. Fearful odds, and none to help them, fight they boldly, undismayed. Gallant clansmen of the northland! Brave soft Highland brigades! Someone blundered, this we know. When you met the ambushed foe. But you fought as heroes fight, and you died as heroes die. This we know, this we know.

Where the fighting had been fiercest, as the sun sank in the west. Did they find the widow's laddie, with a bullet in his breast. And his smiling face turned upward. Did he dream at last—who knows? Of the far-off hills of Scotland? Lying there in kilt and hose. With the gold hair gleaming brightly underneath the bonnet blue. And the tartan plaid laid gently o'er the heart so brave and true. Stilled forever. With death's coming did there fall upon his ear Music that he loved to list to, bugle call so high and clear. Thrilling, stirring, sweeter, shriller, and the deep voice of the drum, Calling to him through the shadows, calling softly through the shadows, "Come, lad! Come, lad! Come! Come! Come!" — Jean Blewett.

Free Library Growing.

The board of control of the Dawson library and reading room acknowledge with thanks the receipt of books, magazines and papers for the month of March from the following ladies and gentlemen: Mrs. Seeley, 16 books and magazines; Major Perry, newspapers; Mr. Hartman, two magazines and newspapers; Father Gendreau, newspapers; Mr. R. G. Cuthbertson, newspapers; Mr. Craig, newspapers; The Nugget, newspapers; The Sun, newspapers; The News, newspapers.

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Bell Telephones Will Soon Be in Use in Dawson.

The Yukon Telephone Syndicate to Reduce Rates Nearly One-Half—Mr. Maxfield Returns.

Mr. A. Fuller, general manager of the Yukon Telephone Syndicate, announces the arrival from the outside of a new supply of telephones and telephone fixtures. The 'phones are the famous Bell telephones and this company has arranged for the exclusive right in this territory. The goods were brought in by Mr. Maxfield, who was sent out by the company for that purpose. He was detained in Skagway nearly four weeks by reason of a snow blockade on the White Pass R. R., and as the 'phones which were to arrive last fall met with disaster, great care was taken with this consignment, Mr. Maxfield having instructions to get them through at all hazards. The 'phones were rushed to Selkirk, accompanied by the agent of the company, at the earliest possible moment, here Mr. Maxfield leaving the consignment, as he met with a very painful accident, breaking two of the bones in one of his hands, but arranging for the through shipment of the telephones before coming on.

Active work and a vigorous overhauling of the whole system will commence immediately, which will result in making Dawson's telephonic communication equal to any under similar circumstances anywhere. In an interview with Manager Fuller he said:

"I have long been aware that our system was far from being perfect and immediately upon being elected to my present position I advocated the purchase of the O'Brien system, which was done. This left us a larger field to operate in as there is not room here for two telephone companies. The next move was the purchase of 50 new telephones, new switch boards, 50 miles of additional wire, which would have put the system in good working order.

"Unfortunately all this material was lost in Lake Bennett last fall, and upon receiving news of the disaster we immediately dispatched Mr. Maxfield to the outside with instructions to purchase for the company the necessary material. He is one of the best electricians in this country, and you can imagine how pleased we were to learn that he had secured for us the famous Bell long distance telephone. With this system in operation we can assure the public of a first-class service, not only in the city, but to all the principal creeks as well. We have a line now to Dominion, a distance of some 40 miles, including Bonanza and Eldorado creeks. We will extend this service to Gold Run, Sulphur and Hunker."

When asked what rate the company intended to charge, Mr. Fuller answered:

"You can quote me as saying that it is our intention to cut the telephone rate almost in two commencing May 1st. This will create a demand for 'phones, where under present conditions we could not place them. It will naturally increase the service and be a general benefit to all our subscribers."

"How about a competing company?" was asked Mr. Fuller.

"I know there has been considerable talk about a competing line, but you never heard me say anything about it, did you? I kept on sawing wood and saying nothing, as I knew that I could soon be able to have the laugh on these people, and I think I am in a position to do so at the present moment.

"Every business man and every professional man can now afford a telephone in their store or office, and you will see many in the homes of the people. As soon as another consignment of 'phones arrive—we expect 100 more—we will reduce the charges again."

"Don't you think telephone rates have been excessively high in the past?" was asked Mr. Fuller.

"Rates have been high," he answered. "Why? The cost of erecting and maintaining a telephone system here has been enormous. You cannot imagine the difference in cost between placing poles in a frozen country and in ground under ordinary circumstances. When the first telephone was put in at Grand Forks, making connection with Dawson, the charges for a messenger to accomplish the distance was \$30, the 'phone rate was \$10, then reduced to \$5 and now to \$2.50.

"The public can rest assured that this company will spare no expense to make the telephone system as perfect as it is possible to be, and you can add,"

said he, "that we were the first in the field and are here to stay."

Quartz Claim Recorded.

Charles B. French recorded yesterday the quartz property which is described as the Gold Run mineral claim, and which is located about three-fourths of a mile from Gold Run creek.

Where Moonshine is Made.

Imbibers of that which steals away the brain and blears the eye must not imagine that the vile stuff which is often sold in cheap grog shops all over the country is anything like the beverage that is known in the southern states as "moonshine" for it is not. The two compounds are as different as are any other two fluids. The former is made from Lord "only-knows-what," while the latter is the pure extract of cereal mash, be it corn, wheat, rye, barley, potatoes, sugar cane or pine mast.

Up to a few years ago the manufacturing of illicit whisky was very extensively carried on in the mountainous countries of West Virginia, Kentucky, Tennessee, North Carolina and Georgia; as prior to that time officers of the law did not care to venture on spying out into the mountains for the reason that the few who ventured seldom returned. But of later years the government has been willing to expend more money to suppress the practice which defrauded it out of a large amount of revenue, with the result that its officers have been empowered to locate and destroy stills and arrest their operators regardless of expense. In the mountains of Tennessee revenue officers have been known to outfit a large party with surveying instruments and tools and spend weeks in the wildest parts of the country on pretense of surveying mineral land for northern syndicates, when in reality the whole thing is a ruse to spy out the land for illicit stills. This persistent hunting down has almost driven from business many families which for generations have earned scant livings by the manufacture of their own grown products into whisky, a business which they believe to be a God-given right and with which they can not understand that any government or law has a right to interfere.

A number of years ago the writer was detained for an entire night by a wreck on the Cincinnati Southern road in the mountains 100 miles north from Chattanooga, Tenn. Shortly after night began an old mountaineer and his two sons visited the train. For an hour they circulated among the passengers asking all manner of questions, such as "What yo gwine?" "What's yore business when yo air to hum?" and so on until they finally concluded that there were no revenue officers aboard; then came the question: "Wouldn't yuse all like snupin to drink?" "We's all" did, for the reason that we were all hungry, and also mad at the thought that we could not reach Chattanooga that night and would be forced to go supperless.

The old man and his sons disappeared into the night and the mountains for perhaps an hour when they returned, each one carrying a gallon jug of whisky. While there were not over two dozen passengers on the train the three gallons of moonshine was retailed at 10 cents per drink—as much as a man cared to pour into a pint cup—before daylight and in time to allow the trio of mountaineers to fade away unseen to their still. The few dollars taken away by the family for that night's business was probably more ready money than they had handled before in years, or have handled at one time since. Those men knew they were violating the law, but it was the law they deemed in the wrong, and not themselves, and they were ready to defend their beliefs with their guns and their lives.

In the mountains of Northeast Georgia and over the boundary line in North Carolina an illicit still is yet occasionally located by some persistent officer of the law, but they have become very scarce, the distillers having been dogged out of business, or shot and killed in conflicts with officers' posses.

I once spent a few days at a hotel at White Sulphur Springs, a point on the Santa Fe river near where that stream empties into the song-tamed Suwanee. One day while down the former stream on a fishing expedition I came upon as complete a still in a small way as I had ever seen. Bamboo, which grows in swamps all over that section of Florida, was hollowed out and used for the worm which was coiled and trained around in such an ingenious way as to make over 100 feet of worm on an area not over 10 feet square. The capacity of the little still could have not been greater than five gallons per day. As I had been fishing for several hours my refreshment bottle which was taken along, snakes being numerous in that country, had run very low, so I replenished it and went away. Ten days later a man whom I had never before seen entered my sanctum carrying something in a

gunny sack. After looking me over for a full minute he said: "Thar yo air, the sgit same feller I seed out to my place week afore last. I seed yo, but yo never seed me; I was back in the brush fohty yands an' had a bead on ye wid me old flint lock; but when I seed yo take 'not less than fo' fingahs at a swaller, I says to meself he's all righte, so as I was bringin' in a few orders today, I jist fetched a extra gallon. It won't cost yo but two dollahs, an' I'll call safternoon for the jug."

I willingly paid the \$2 and on inspiration superinduced by the contents of that jug wrote many editorials, the reading of which I have every reason to believe caused that county to be carried for local option at an election a few days later.

PERSONAL MENTION.

M. W. Farrell is visiting the city. A. H. Noble is in town on business. P. J. Ryan is making a brief visit to Dawson. Herbert Cole is spending a few days in town. Dr. Macfarlane is registered at the Fairview. R. Wilson came to Dawson from the creeks yesterday. W. E. Brownell is enjoying a short vacation in the city. G. B. White is a recent arrival in town from the creeks.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Peterson are among the guests at the Fairview. U. S. Consul J. C. McCook will leave town tomorrow on a visit to Sulphur creek. Messrs. Joseph McGillivray, Hay, Packwood and Anderson, are expected to arrive from the outside today.

Chris Anderson was admitted to the Good Samaritan hospital yesterday. He is suffering with an injured eye. Mr. and Mrs. George W. Skipper are making a short visit in the city. They are stopping at the Fairview. Mr. and Mrs. John Manning of 60 below on Bonanza are visiting friends in the city. They are at the Fairview.

Phil Holland arrived from the outside yesterday. He is a well known Hogan who received his initial degrees at the mother lodge in Mulberry bend, New York. R. Duzier Turanne, vice-consul of France, stationed at Dawson, returned from the outside yesterday. During his absence, he visited his native country in connection with official business.

Incoming Mail.

The consignment of mail on its way to Dawson passed Ogilvie last night; and it will undoubtedly arrive here this evening. The carriers have been delayed by the dangerous condition of the trail below Selwyn.

Filipino Gin.

The sale of native gin in the Philippines has been abolished by the army officers, because of its deadly character. Three or four drinks of the abominable stuff have been known to send a man crazy, and there are several instances of death resulting from taking only a few drinks of it. But how much better is the stuff that is being sent out to the soldiers from their home country. It may take a larger number of drinks to effect, the same result; but the end is the same, it drives men crazy and sends them to an horrible death. Alcoholic drinks ought to have no part in the life of any man in the service of our country.—Ex.

More Meat Arrives.

The Peel river Indians who arrived this afternoon brought with them about a dozen moose in the hope of striking a good market in Dawson. When they learn that moose is on the tabooed list their disappointment will probably be great, as they have sledged the stuff several hundred miles. It is not prepossessing to gaze upon.

A Shooting Scrape.

North Vernon, Ind., March 18.—At Brewersville in front of Stearns' store Al Fuller and Isaac Powers, a school teacher, met and began shooting. The trouble was over the correction of Fuller's child by the teacher. Powers was shot once through the lung and Fuller received three balls. Both men will probably die.

Rudyard Kipling.

New York, March 14.—The first word from Rudyard Kipling since he went to South Africa will be printed in this week's issue of Harper's Weekly. Mr. Kipling cables a long account of British disloyalty, which he calls "The sin of witchcraft." The burden of his complaint is that British civil officials in Cape Town wink at semi-trasonable acts and, to quote his own words, "The government will take care it does not pay any one to be loyal." He says: "The Loyalist on the border has his house ripped inside out by the Boers, or rebels, or both; the disloyalist farm is respected, and in return he supplies the enemy with food, horses and information. His risk is small. He may possibly—but not if his friends can stop it—be arrested on a charge of treason. He may then be sent down country to be tried by a sympathetic jury. He hopes, and not without reason, to have his farm restored to him. He has

undergone some absurdly inadequate punishment.

Early Boat Models.

Although boats have been in use by man from the earliest ages, it is only recently that the original boat has been found in use and it is, among the savages of the South Sea islands. There the natives take the stump of a tree whose roots offer a good seat and, launching this primitive craft, they paddle around as contentedly as if there was no such thing as a European steamer, and, to tell the truth, they do not suspect its existence. There can be no doubt whatever that in this stump boat we have the only original method of transportation by water. Accident certainly contributed to this discovery. A tired swimming savage found a log near him, he grasped it and to his joy found that it held him above the water. He mounted his log and used a floating branch to propel the log. It was but a step from the log to the more comfortable root of a tree, and another step from the branch propeller to a shaped paddle. We little think how much we owe to the savage for preserving these traces of primitive development and thereby helping us to trace out the long line of human progress.—Ex.

More Pieces.

The ordinary shell which was manufactured 30 years ago only broke into from 20 to 25 pieces when it burst. At the present time it bursts into 240, while shrapnel shell, which only used to scatter 37 missiles, now scatters 340. A present-day bomb, when charged with peroxylene, breaks up into 1200 pieces, and it is estimated that it would effectively kill anyone standing within 220 yards of the explosion.

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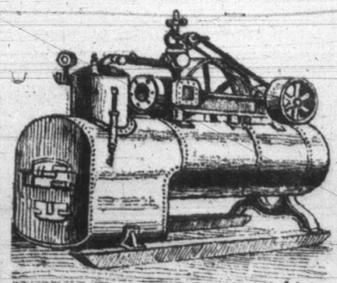
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