

# THE DAILY KLONDIKE NUGGET.

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## ...FOR... XMAS

THE LATEST IN... American Neckwear

Beaver Gauntlets  
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SARGENT & PINSKA,  
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Full line of Gent's Neckwear Suits and Overcoats Boys' Clothing

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1-15 1-20 1-25  
H. P. Locomotive Fire Box Boilers.  
Also 1-6X6 friction geared hoist for sale.  
Best cash buy in the Klondike.

Holme, Miller & Co.  
Fittings, Valves, Stoves & Ranges. 107 Front St.

### Change of Time Table

**Orr & Tukey's Stage Line**  
Telephone No. 8  
On and after Monday, Oct. 22, 1900, will run a  
**DOUBLE LINE OF STAGES TO & FROM GRAND FORKS**

Leave Dawson, Office A. C. Co.'s Building 9:00 a. m.  
Returning, Leave Forks, Office, Op. Gold Hill Hotel 3:00 p. m.

From Forks, Office Opposite Gold Hill Hotel 9:00 a. m.  
Returning, Leave Dawson, Office A. C. Co.'s Building 3:00 p. m.

### HEALTHFUL, TOOTHsome

...MEATS  
Game of All Kinds  
**CITY MARKET..**  
KLENER & GIESMAN PROPRIETORS  
Second Ave.  
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### The O'Brien Club

Telephone No. 87  
FOR MEMBERS  
A Gentleman's Resort,  
Spacious and Elegant  
Club Rooms and Bar  
FOUNDED BY  
Murray, O'Brien and Marchbank.

### CHRISTMAS GREETING

We shall be glad to greet all our friends at the re-opening of the Monte Carlo Saloon and Club Rooms on Christmas Eve., Monday, December 24th, 1900.

**TOM O'BRIEN  
CHARLIE POWELL  
A. H. MOGRIDGE**

### OUT O' SIGHT!

While you are taking in the town just glance in our window and see the line of  
...Ladies' Companions and Carving Sets...  
we are selling for Xmas.

**McLennan, McFeely & Co., Ltd.**

## PUBLIC SCHOOL

Exercises on Mission Street Friday Afternoon Were Highly Creditable

### TO TEACHERS AND PUPILS ALIKE.

Young Ideas Expand and Learn to Shoot in the Klondike.

### FINE ADDRESS TO GOVERNOR

Who Responds in Like and Tells of the Facilities to be Supplied in the Future.

The closing exercises of the public schools, Mission street, took place Friday afternoon and proved to be an event of prime interest.

The pupils of the four schools namely: Mr. Crow's, Miss McRae's, Miss Key's and Miss Edward's (kindergarten), about 150 pupils in all, assembled in the Masonic hall for the occasion. There were also present a large number of visitors, mostly ladies. Col. D. MacGregor, at the request of the teachers, took charge of the proceedings. Commissioner Ogilvie was a little late in arriving, but at the request of the chairman took a seat on the platform. The children presented a most creditable appearance. They were bright, well dressed and their deportment was good. In the various exercises on the program they acquitted themselves with credit to themselves and teachers. Master Claud Meryck, on behalf of himself and fellow pupils, read and presented the following address to Governor Ogilvie:

To the Honorable Governor Ogilvie and the Yukon Council:

Whose generosity in affording us an opportunity to obtain an education in this far northland is deeply appreciated by the children and young people of Dawson.

Some of us have enjoyed school benefits in other lands and, since having to cast our lot with our parents in developing this frontier territory of our queen's domain, we have greatly missed our former associations and privileges, but the organization of our school here—though so recent—is doing much to make us contented and happy, as well as in developing talents that will determine our fortunes throughout our lives.

With much pleasure in after years all will look back to early school days in Dawson. We feel that it will be no

small distinction to be able to say that we were among the first pupils enrolled in this, the most northern public school of the vast British empire.

For these and other favors which we know we shall come to constantly appreciate, we take pleasure in extending to you our heartiest greetings and we hope that you may long be with us and often come to see us in our recitation rooms and in our entertainments.

For the most generous gifts with which you have surrounded us to brighten our Christmastide, we desire to heartily thank you and can say that your kindness shall always be pleasantly recalled.

The governor replied in well chosen words. He was pleased with the progress the teachers had made, he did not consider he was entitled to all the praise given him in the address. The schools would have been started some time before they were had the books arrived. The Yukon council had purchased a number of town lots for school grounds and had in contemplation the erection of a large building in the near future for a school house.

Col. MacGregor complimented the teachers on the good showing the pupils had made in their various exercises and congratulated all concerned on the presentable appearance of the children.

Program:  
Recitation, Welcome, Alex Abrams; chorus, Welcome song, school; recitation, Dottie McLaren; recitation,

Jacob Haering; song, Lilly Hobson; recitation, Esie Schuster; recitation, Helen Axe; recitation, "Christmas Morn," Madeline Schuman; recitation, Ferdinand Pring; song, "Jack Frost," Kindergarten; dialogue, "Youthful Disposition," Aileen Bell and Ethel Abrams; recitation, "Between Dark and Daylight," Ollie Agge; chorus, "Soldiers of the Queen," school; recitation, Edna Clark; recitation, Lois Te Roller; song, "Morning Song," F. T. J. H. and R. W.; recitation, Ruth Wright; recitation, Helen Hindry; recitation, Trinket Hetherington; dialogue, Louisa Delfel and George Delfel; recitation, Roy Te Roller; song, "Christmas Bells," kindergarten; dialogue, six boys; recitation, Florence Schuster; chorus, school; recitation, Hazel Handy; recitation Doris Bell; recitation, Fanny Thomas; recitation, Anna Haering; Santa Claus; "God Save the Queen."

After the literary portion of the proceedings was disposed of Santa Claus appeared on the scene and with the assistance of the governor and Col. MacGregor distributed the presents.

Among the visitors present were the following named:

Mesdames Major Wood, Bell, Brown, J. P. McLennan, Davis, McKay, T. H. Heath, Mutch, Te Roller, Axe, Borth, F. W. Arnold, L. Mason, McLeod, Tarr, Fish, Schuman, Miss Kennedy, Miss Richardson, Mr. Bell, Dr. Grant and Arthur Wilson.

## Jack Wade

Two men whose names have not so far been learned, arrived Saturday evening from the Jack Wade creek district with a story of rich discoveries made recently on Glacier and Miller creeks.

Whether or not there is any truth in the story of the strike is a matter not vouched for by the source of the information, though it is said that the men left Jack Wade creek Friday morning and got here Saturday evening, and that their return is to be made with equal celerity. A peculiar condition seems to prevail on Glacier creek regarding the direction taken by the pay streak, which is said to run cross ways of the creek instead of parallel to it.

In speaking of it this morning, an old timer told of a sale that was made there some time since of a claim which appeared to be remarkably rich. After the purchaser had been at work a few days he lost the pay, having cut right across it, although he was working parallel to the creek.

### The Game Law of '94.

The basis upon which Justice Dugas founded his recently drafted game act dates back to 1894 and was at the time drafted by Commissioner Ogilvie, to fit conditions then existing in that section of the Northwest lying between the Athabasca and Peace rivers.

"There were," said Mr. Ogilvie, in speaking of the matter recently, "about 175 bison in the country at the time, and it became the custom of foreign sportsmen to undergo all sorts of hardships and spend a great deal of money, getting into the country to kill a buffalo, so as to have something to write for the magazines when they got home."

"Under this state of affairs the complete extinction of the buffalo was threatened, and after a great many efforts to have the matter noticed by the government, I was finally told to go ahead and draft a game act, which I did, carrying it back to the secretary in three days' time. That is the game law upon which the present, now before the council is based, and the only alteration made in it was to extend the close season one month."

The Holborn Cafe for delicacies.  
Try Cascade Laundry for high-class work at reduced prices.  
Men's fur lined gloves and mitts, Sargent & Pinska.  
For watch repairing see Lindemann.  
Fine line of 25c goods. Rochester.  
Glasses fitted by Soggs & Vesco.  
Attend the Xmas eve masquerade at Pioneer hall. Prizes on exhibition in Hershberg's window.

## No Paper Tomorrow

Tomorrow being Christmas day the regular edition of the Daily Nugget will not be issued. The special Christmas number of the Nugget, comprising 20 pages, is out and was distributed today and will take the place of the regular daily edition for tomorrow. As the special Christmas number will evidence, a large amount of labor in every department was required in its publication with the result that for the past week the entire force has been employed nearly day and night and for that reason no work will be done in the Nugget office tomorrow when everybody and the machinery will take a holiday.

Tomorrow will be observed as a holiday by all the leading business houses of Dawson and will be devoted to merry-making, feasting and in the cultivation of social intercourse and nature. To Dawson the day is opportune. Basking in the sunlight of prosperity, Dawson is in position to enjoy Christmas in every sense and to a much greater degree than are many less favored cities and towns. Here there are but few who can not from the bottom of their hearts re-echo the beautiful sentiment embodied in the words: "Peace on earth; good will towards men."

### A Creditable Publication.

Volume 1, No. 1 of the Yukon Mining Journal has made its appearance in the list of Dawson's latest publications. It is a production of the Darms Printing Co., and is a mechanical gem. The Mining Journal is compiled and edited by Mr. W. A. Beddoe, one of the most versatile and experienced newspaper men and writers in the northwest. Mr. G. M. Hill is business manager of the new publication. It contains a fund of rare information and is a valuable adjunct to the mining literature of the Klondike.

Cyrus Noble whisky, Rochester.  
Usber & Dewar Scotch at Pioneer.  
Irish whisky at the Pioneer, John Jameson & Son celebrated brand.  
Finely mounted sterling silver articles at Sale & Co., the jewelers.

### RECEIVED BY WIRE.

## QUICKER SERVICE

In the Matter of Mail Transportation Between Whitehorse and Dawson

WILL BE GIVEN IN THE NEAR FUTURE.

Those Who Have Traveled the Trail Say It Is Bad.

### LOOKING FOR KID WEST.

Vancouver Bankers Stringently Oppose Establishing a Mint There—Government Weakening.

Skagway, Dec. 22.—It is believed here that from now on the people of Dawson will have less ground for complaint regarding its mail service than of late. The trail is said by all who have thus far arrived from the interior, to be in very bad condition and for this reason mail matter has accumulated at Whitehorse more rapidly than it could be handled from that point on to Dawson.

The railroad company disclaims having any direct interest in the winter mail service. It is known here that the C. D. Co. has expended \$50,000 to improve its winter service on the river and from now on it is expected that all business will be handled with dispatch.

### Spring Beef.

Skagway, Dec. 22.—Dominick Burns arrived Saturday from Dawson and says he will take a drove of cattle back with him over the ice. He reports the river trail as impassable for double teams. There are many air holes and traveling is still somewhat dangerous.

### Looking for Kid West.

Skagway, Dec. 22.—Sergeant Graham is here from Whitehorse to especially inquire about Kid West's arrival from below, as he has not yet been reported at Whitehorse.

### Opposed to a Mint.

Vancouver, Dec. 17, via Skagway, Dec. 22.—The bankers of Vancouver, assisted by all the bankers of British Columbia, have made strong representations to the government against the establishing of a mint here. Two weeks ago the government took the matter with the protests under advisement and it is now thought to be weakening on the proposition and that the mint will not be established. A decision is expected shortly which will withdraw the proposition.

Christmas and New Year presents at Sargent & Pinska's.  
Mecker delivers fresh vegetables up creeks.

WHOLESALE **A. M. CO.** RETAIL

Smoking Jackets  
Fancy Silk Vests, Dress Overcoats  
Make very desirable Xmas Presents.  
This store has the variety, style, quality, the prices here are always most pleasing.

**AMES MERCANTILE CO.**

# The Klondike Nugget

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**LETTERS**  
And Small Packages can be sent to the Creeks by our carriers on the following days: Every Wednesday and Saturday to Eldorado, Bonanza, Hunker, Dominion, Gold Run, Sulphur, Quartz and Canyon.

MONDAY, DECEMBER 23, 1900.

## TOMORROW WILL BE CHRISTMAS.

Tomorrow will be Christmas, the day when peace and good will are presumed to hold undisputed sway over the affairs of this mundane sphere and the sordid cares of life give way to contemplation of better and nobler things.

Christmas should have as deep a meaning to the Klondiker as to any one else. To many the day will serve to bring to mind all too forcibly perhaps the memory of other Christmas seasons spent under happier and more congenial circumstances. Many a vacant chair will be placed at the Christmas board for an absent one, whom the possibilities of wealth in this northern country have lured away from the fireside. Many a prayer will be spoken for the safe return of the wanderer, and alas, there will be no lack of tears, for death has claimed his share of victims from out the multitude who yielded to the magic influence of the golden siren. Christmas, indeed, has its sorrows as well as its joys, but it is the latter which have the strongest claim upon our attention. The dead must bury its dead.

It is with living, breathing humanity we are most concerned. There will no harm ensue if at the advent of Christmas the thoughts of the Klondiker turn for a few moments toward days gone by and associations connected therewith. Memories of home are sacred, and when revived by the stimulus of Christmas recollections can do nothing else than awaken the best there is in men, however long that best may have lain dormant.

In this busy, practical, work-a-day world, and more particularly amid environments such as surround one in a community like Dawson, it is very easy to forget the fact that life, after all, holds out better inducements for human exertion than the pursuit of the mere material.

Human nature which at its best is a weak affair, is prone to be influenced by surroundings. It follows most readily the line of least resistance, and its actions are largely governed by prevailing conditions.

It must be said, in all truth, that there is little enough in Dawson to evoke contemplation of higher ideals, but Christmas day certainly should furnish food for such reflection regardless of circumstances or surroundings. Tomorrow will be Christmas and it is the hope of the Nugget that the day will bring to every one a measure of that joy with which we traditionally associate its recurrence.

## ECONOMY AND UTILITY.

The members of the Yukon council have nearly all at various times expressed themselves as being in favor of Dawson assuming the responsibility of conducting the administration of its own affairs. This is a natural position for these gentlemen to occupy for the simple reason that each of them has other important duties to perform and the emoluments of their various positions are no greater by reason of the time and attention which they give to the transaction of local business. With respect to the abstract principle involved the Nugget is also in favor of

incorporation for we believe in the theory of people managing their own affairs. We are confronted now, however, by a practical question—a question both of economy and utility. Dawson is now well governed and we believe, as economically as circumstances will permit. Incorporation will not give us representative government in the strictest sense of the word for will, it reduce the expense of administering the affairs of the town; in fact it will tend as shown in our Saturday's issue to increase them. With the information at hand we are unable to see any advantage which will accrue to the town from incorporation at the present.

The season for turning over new leaves and making new resolutions will soon be at hand. We suggest to our contemporary the News, that a resolution to stick absolutely to the truth will be in order on the part of that paper.

## Surveyor's Association.

On Saturday evening at the office of Messrs. Cautley & Cote, on Harper street, a meeting of Dominion land surveyors was held at which it was decided to form themselves into an association to be known as the Association of Dominion Land Surveyors of the Yukon Territory. With the exception of one or two who were unavoidably absent, all the Dominion land surveyors in the territory were present. Mr. R. J. Jephson was elected president of the Association for the ensuing year; Mr. C. S. W. Barwell, vice-president, and Mr. R. W. Cautley, secretary-treasurer. Among other objects of the association it is proposed to make certain recommendations to the proper authorities in regard to possible improvements in the existing mining regulations as to boundaries of claims, and as there is perhaps no other body of men in the territory who have such a thorough knowledge of the practical application of mining regulations in this respect, it is anticipated that such recommendations will receive careful consideration from the government.

## A Strange Case.

After being confined in jail three full months, having been arrested at Whitehorse on his way out of the country last September, Chas. E. Severance, has been sentenced to serve six months longer for attempting to defraud creditors.

The stories of the alleged efforts of Severance to beat creditors since he started to this country only 14 months ago would fill considerable space, and in many instances his efforts were successful, as to deal with him appears to have been to be duped by him. And yet, it is said his business propositions were good ones and made money, but not so rapidly as Severance desired, who apparently wished to make a fortune in a year and get outside with it. His family, it is said, took a large sum of money outside, and a letter received from Seattle in the last mail says they are living in fine style there, driving to theaters in carriages and otherwise reveling in Klondike-gotten wealth. Yet to most people, all the gold of the Klondike would not compensate for nine months in the Yukon penitentiary.

## A Child's Letter.

A letter directed to Mr. Santa Claus, Klondike, Alaska, arrived at the post-office Saturday. It was opened by Postmaster Hartman and turned over by him to the Nugget. The following is an exact copy:

Stillwater, Oklahoma.  
Nov. 24, 1900.  
Dear Santa Claus—I want you to get me to goat and a little wagon. I want the goats to run. I do not want any old lasey thing that will not go and a Drum will play now don't forget to come.  
Nor don't forget where I live.  
BOB. OLENTINE.

## Special Christmas Nugget.

The special Christmas edition of the Daily and Semi-Weekly Klondike Nugget, a beautifully illustrated 20-page paper, is now out and is for sale at the Nugget office and at all the news stands in the city at the usual price of the paper, 25 cents per copy. The paper is a typical trade journal, containing an accurate description of the mining and mercantile industries of the country, the information in its mining department being the most complete dissertation on that subject ever published in the Yukon. In addition to mining and mercantile news, the special contains a vast store of Klondike lore, a prize story especially written for it, and a large amount of information regarding the country and the city of Dawson, the mode of government, etc. A copy of the Nugget special is just the thing

**FOR**  
**Christmas Presents**  
**SEE**  
**...HERSHBERG**  
*Swell Haberdashery, Silk Underwear, Fancy Mufflers, Gloves all kinds, Silk Socks, every high class article pertaining to Gents' Furnishings and Tailor Made Clothing*  
**OPPOSITE C. D. CO.'S DOCK.**

to send outside to a friend who desires information regarding this country.

## Will Sustain Its Record.

Manager Edgar Mizner of the Alaska Commercial Co.'s interests in Dawson, will sustain the time-honored reputation of that big concern by giving to its employees tomorrow a Christmas dinner that will cause the oldest of them to think he is again a boy. According to the menu cards, it will be one of the swellest dinners ever served north of Seattle, everything good in the form of solids and fluids being on the list. The dinner will be served at the company's commodious mess house. Who wouldn't be in the employ of the A. C. Co.—if he could?

Corporal Frank Smith, formerly in charge of the police on Gold Run, returned last Friday from a four months' visit to his old home, Brighton, England. He had a delightful visit, but is pleased to be back in Dawson.

The Bohemian Club will give a mask ball in the Pioneer ball next Monday evening which promises to be largely attended.

Fresh carrots and turnips at Meeker's.

Sargent & Pinska have the finest assortment of American neckwear for the holidays in Dawson.

Eastern Washington new timothy hay at Meeker's.

Private dining rooms at The Holborn.

## Boysuyt & Co.'s Display.

At the Bay City market on Third street is a display of meat which is a credit to the enterprising proprietors and an instructive object lesson to the people of Dawson, showing as it does the variety of meats which are obtainable in the city today. The meats on exhibition, all of which by the way are tastefully adorned with holiday decorations, are stall fed beefs, Eastern porkers, lambs and muttons, moose, caribou and mountain goat as well as ptarmigans, grouse, beaver and rabbits.

Table de hote dinners. The Holborn.

A new and large jewelry store now occupied by Lindeman; Monte Carlo building.

Mumm's, Pomeroy or Perinet champagnes \$5 per bottle at the Regina Club hotel.

E. A. Cochrane, expert watchmaker; work guaranteed. Biff & Co., Second street.

Just in Time.—Diamonds galore at Soggs & Vesco. Who wants fine stones?

Go to Fairview Hotel for your Christmas dinner.

We fit glasses. Pioneer drug store.

Ready-made dresses at reduced prices at Mrs. L. Thompson's, Second avenue, next to Dawson Hardware Co.

Diamond mounting by Soggs & Vesco.

Films of all kinds at Goetzman's.

Large Africana cigars at Rochester.

Seagram, '83, at Rochester Bar.

Short orders served right. The Holborn.

Silk mitts and gloves at Sargent & Pinska's.

For Xmas  
J. P. McLENNAN.  
Front Street.

## Candles for the Millions.

I have enough candles, nuts, and toys to supply the whole population of the Yukon country. My stock is complete. Plenty of Lowney's chocolate and Gunther's bon bons in any quantity; cigars by the box. Bring your friends and as I am a Missourian, I will show you the finest store in the Yukon territory.  
GANDOLFO,  
Third st., opp. A. C. Co.

Six varieties fresh vegetables at Meeker's.

Eggs by the case at Meeker's.

Just in Time.—Diamonds galore at Soggs & Vesco. Who wants fine stones?

Mufflers and silk handkerchiefs at Sargent & Pinska's.

**Fresh Stall Fed BEEF**  
All Kinds of Meats  
Game In Season  
**Bay City Market**  
Chas. Boysuyt & Co.  
THIRD STREET Near Second Ave.

## LOST AND FOUND.

LOST—Brown Pup, two months old, white feet and tail. Return to Bay City Market.

## PROFESSIONAL CARDS

**LAWYERS**  
CLARK, WILSON & STACPOOLE—Barristers, Attorneys, Notaries, Conveyancers, etc. Office—Monte Carlo Building, First Avenue, Dawson, Y. T.  
BURRITT & McKAY—Advocates, Solicitors, Notaries, etc.; Commissioners for Ontario and British Columbia. Aurora No. 2 Building, Front street, Dawson.

MACKINNON & NOEL, Advocates, Second st., near Bank of B. N. A.

HENRY BLEEKER FERNAND DE JOURNEL  
BLEEKER & DE JOURNEL  
Attorneys at Law.  
Office—Second street, in the Joslin Building. Residence—Third avenue, opp. Metropole hotel Dawson.

PATULLO & RIDLEY—Advocates, Notaries, Conveyancers, etc. Offices, First avenue.

WADE & AIKMAN—Advocates, Notaries, etc. Offices, A. C. Office Building.

TABOR, WALSH & HULME—Barristers and Solicitors, Advocates, Notaries Public, Conveyancers. Telephone No. 40. Offices, Rooms 1, 2, 3, Orpheum Building.

N. F. HAGEL, Q. C., Barrister, Notary, etc., over McLennan, McFeely & Co., hardware store, First avenue.

## MINING ENGINEERS.

J. B. TYRRELL, mining engineer, has removed to Mission st., next door to public school.

**The Last Stampede of 1900...**  
**Is Now on**  
It started at daylight this morning headed by an old  
**SOUR DOUGH**  
who got a tip from the Nugget.  
**Where is the stampede to? Why to the**  
**N. A. T. & T. Co.'s TOY DEPARTMENT**  
Corner 1st Avenue and 4th Street  
Opposite Fire Hall No. 1  
Any little boy can show you the trail:  
**No Relocations**  
**All New Claims**  
Get a move on you and secure your choice.  
**N. A. T. & T. CO.**

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## THE CASE KEEPER'S DREAM

Of Dawson's Awful Peril and How It Was Averted.

Pathetic Ending of the Order of Hogans—The Last Melancholy Scenes.

It was night and I slept. This may seem strange when it becomes known that I knew nearly every Hogan in the city, but I can only explain the fact by saying that in an evil hour in early youth I contracted the habit of working for a living, and consequently was not eligible for membership in the Order of Hogans. That is how it happened that I was asleep on the night in question.

Someone woke me by breathing on me through the keyhole, as the door was locked, and I in meditation got up, wondering if every house in town was shaken in the same way by the earthquake.

"Get up," said a voice I thought I recognized, "and come down to the shack. The big thing is on."

I knew what this meant, as I had been told only a few days before that the Order of Hogans would probably disband, and to do this in a manner befitting their reputation something horrid would have to happen. The reason for the dissolving of the order was pathetic but can be briefly told. The police had yagged so many of the leading members that a quorum could no longer be had, and besides Dawson was becoming too au fait for the order to exist longer.

I dressed, and after a hurried trip to the office, where I left the \$4.75 remaining out of my weekly salary, together with a note to the coroner in case of an accident, I proceeded to the shack of the Hogans.

I rapped softly on the door, three times, and gave the malamute howl, when a section of the door slid back and a voice whose owner could not be seen said: "Have you got anything?"

"Hit it and take it," I replied, and the door opened.

I found myself in a well lighted room across the further end of which a pair of heavy portiers were hung, and notwithstanding the fact that there was no draught in the room, these seemed to have a peculiar motion, as if breathed against by some monster of gigantic proportions. Besides the man who had let me in and myself, there was no one in the room, and I was a trifle surprised to see him locking the door.

"What are you going that for?" I asked, and he replied that no one else would be there.

"Why not?" I asked, beginning to be somewhat alarmed, notwithstanding the fact that I had left my money behind me.

"Case," said my companion, coming close to me and breathing upon me till the mainspring in my Waterbury watch went out of business with a prolonged whizz, "a dangerous duty lies before you tonight, and I, as the last Hogan living besides those who are sawing wood for the Queen, am here to ask you if you will face the ordeal so that the souls of the Hogans who have passed away this evening may rest in peace."

"All dead? Where. How?" I asked, turning pale and looking behind me at the waving curtain.

"Yes, that's what did the business for them," said the last of the Hogans, "but I think it'll be safe for you, because you're not a Hogan. All you have to do is to look at what is behind that curtain and if you don't die, all dead and gone Hogans can rest in peace, and the thing that is there will fade into thin air. If it overcomes you the last hope is gone and Dawson will become one great holocaust, and those who are left alive will be but few indeed."

Here, indeed, I felt that I was up against the real thing. Whatever the thing behind the curtain was, I determined to take a chance at it. If by looking upon some horrid shape I could save Dawson from becoming wiped from the face of the earth I would do it, no matter how many Hogans had succumbed previously. Like St. George must have felt when he slew the dragon, I said I would do it.

"First though, show me the bodies," "Can't you take my word for it, Case?" he asked.

"My postoffice address used to be Pike county," I replied, looking at him as if I had four of a kind.

"All right, if you have to be shown, look!" he said, pointing to a lot of little heaps of different colored ashes, at the bottom of the swaying porties.

"That's all there is left of them."

"Did the thing behind the curtain do that?" I asked.

"It did," was the answer, which I only heard indistinctly because of the noise made by my bristling hair.

"Get a gatting gun from the barracks," I murmured, "and let's shoot it full of holes."

"No use, Case," said my companion,

"the thing's not of this world, and a gatting gun wouldn't hurt it. The only way is for someone not a Hogan who has plenty of nerve to just look straight at it, and it'll be done for. Do you weaken?"

"Ring up the curtain and have the band orchestra play 'Lo, the Conquering Hero Comes,' and I'll save Dawson and put those Hogans to sleep," I said, reflecting that if I was cremated the crown and the public administrator would attend to my estate and notify my folks of my heroic death.

"Come," said the survivor of the Hogans, and he led me to the portiers which he pulled suddenly aside without more ado, and I stood, horror stricken, gazing with protruding eyes and a thumping heart at a horrid shape, or shade, the like of which no mortal ever saw before and lived to describe.

The light behind the portiers was somewhat dim at first, so that at first glance the body of the shape (I cannot otherwise describe it), resembled that of a large malamute, but the light growing stronger, I saw to my horror and surprise that almost with the indrawing of a breath it had swelled to the size of a mastodon with long gray hair all over it. Strangely enough its head appeared at first to be a syphon soda bottle from the nozzle of which spurted alternately blood and fire. Its hind legs had a familiar appearance, which I have since remembered to have seen on First avenue, incased in a pair of English riding trousers. The fore legs were those of a moose above the knee, but below that they looked like Jim Post's.

About half of the tail looked like an eagle's feather, but the rest of it was an olive branch with a prickly pear growing from the end.

As I looked a label grew upon the bottle head, and upon its front were three stars. These gradually changed to the eyes and mouth of a hideous Chinese god, the head changing also to that shape. The eyes rolled and leered horridly, and a forked tongue of blue flame darted in and out between the gnashing teeth of the hideous monster.

"In the name of the Hogan!" I quavered, "depart hence and be at rest, thou wandering phantom of departed jags!"

My knees smote together and the sweat which had run from my back mingled with the ashes of the departed Hogans upon the floor. I felt that my lips had stiffened into a foolish smile as they did the first time I ever addressed an audience.

The room began to assume a circular form, round which my companion, the thing which had killed them, the

ghosts of the Hogans and the lights chased each other with ever-increasing speed, and at last I must have fainted, because I remember nothing else till I regained consciousness here in the Good Samaritan hospital.

It was a near thing between me and the Thing, but I overcame it and Dawson is saved.

### More Inquiries.

Inquiries have been received at the U. S. consulate for information and particulars concerning one John A. McDonald who formerly resided at Chipewa Falls, Wis., and whom it is surmised is the same McDonald who disappeared from the Edmonton trail in 1898. Any one acquainted with the said John A. McDonald and able to give information concerning his present whereabouts or disappearance will please communicate with the U. S. consul at once.

The name of John T. Cosgrove is mentioned as having been a resident of Dawson and acquainted with the said McDonald.

Inquiry is also made concerning the particulars of the finding on the Chilcat trail some time ago of the dead bodies of Otto Nelson and Geo. Metcalf, partners.

### The Billiard Tournament.

Last Saturday evening at the Regina club, C. S. W. Barwell defeated J. P. Bell under a handicap of 100 points, the game being 190 to 90 in favor of Mr. Bell. At the close of the match the score stood 190 to 64 in favor of Barwell. The average was 2.02 as against .66.

The next game will be between E. C. Senkler and C. S. W. Barwell. The latter will be handicapped by 30 points.

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Milne, the outfitter on First avenue, has imported the finest assortment of bon bons and fancy candies ever com-

ing to this city. His store is well worth visiting if only to feast the eyes on the attractive display of holiday goods which are tastefully gotten up in all the bravery of gold and silver decorations.

Goetzman makes the crack photos of dog teams.

Hay and oats at Meeker's.

### Notice.

Notice is hereby given that a list of all placer mining claims in the Yukon territory which were sold at public auction and which have not been taken

up, is being prepared for publication at once, and after the first publication thereof no grant will be issued, under such sale as aforesaid, for any claim so advertised. All purchasers are, therefore, notified to apply for their grants immediately.

(Signed) J. LANGLOIS BELL, Assistant Gold Commissioner. Dated at Dawson this 14 day of December, 1900.

Celery at Meeker's.

Case goods all descriptions for the holidays at the Pioneer.

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In the last mail Postmaster Hartman received the following letter with a postscript to the effect that if Dawson is large enough to support a newspaper it was the wish of the writer that the letter be turned over to its editor:

Richmond, Ind., Nov. 20, 1900.  
Mr. Editor:

I have just been reading of a visit paid to Dawson City by Lord and Lady Minto, representatives of Queen Victoria in the Dominion of Canada.

During their stay there they were much impressed by the large-heartedness of the miners, and the cordial treatment they gave them, and they were also impressed that more religion was needed by those people. For some time I have felt that I would like to supply one column in a newspaper with religious matter from the best authorities, quotations from the Bible, clippings, etc.

Would you like to devote one column of your paper to such a purpose. If so write me and state conditions. Address, S. M. CHILDRESS, Richmond, Indiana.

(We feel that the above letter is entitled to an answer and greatly regret that our answer can not be wholly in accord with the wishes of the Indiana lady. But, my dear woman! You do not understand the class of people we have here—the most hairy, woolly men you ever saw, the majority of whom were caught in traps in the Bad Lands, brought here in cages and turned loose; so, my dear, in order to Christianize them, it would first be necessary to civilize them. If you could come here in person and start an "IS IT AN OX" class you might, after a year or two, get them so far advanced as to justify you in firing quotations and clippings at them. But now, if you had a column of your spiritual cough drops in a Dawson paper, the average miner would just be as liable as not to put the paper in the same pocket with his pipe or possibly with a bottle of hooch, which, by the way, is an unchristian-like decoction used here as an interior wash. You can have no idea away back there in Indiana where votes are only worth \$2 per, just what this hooch is like.

Say, it is awful!  
No, my dear woman, the time is not ripe for quotations and clippings. We are too tough here for such mild treatment. Firing quotations and clippings at us would be like peppering a 17-foot alligator with bird shot. If you could wash out a pan taken from the bed-rock of Dawson iniquity, and then have an assay made of the tailings, it would give you some idea of how very tough we are here. Those of us who were not brought here in cages are just as bad as if we had been. Many of us were raised in Christian families, in fact the writer can begin in the middle and say the Shorter Catechism both ways at once, but the very moment we passed St. Mary's island coming north we became worse than howling Comanches and the farther we came the wilder we grew until now—well, you just ought to sit on the fence and see us go by.

Hully gee, but we are corkers.  
No, my dear woman! We are not ripe for quotations and clippings. When the time comes you will be duly notified.

In the meantime, if you need any missionary money in Indiana, don't hesitate to say so. Dawson always does her share in everything and she won't take a back seat when it comes to raising money to enlighten the heathen. Hoping you will have a merry Christmas and wishing you success with your quotations and clippings, s'long.—Missionary Rd.)

#### In the Role of Hosts.

On Saturday night the Daily News bowling team which was defeated by the Nugget team at a match game played on the 13th inst., tendered a dinner to the latter team.

The News boys proved themselves far more successful in the role of hosts than in the art of bowling. The dinner prepared under the direction of Miss Host Germain was a splendid affair and the assembled members of the press fraternity consumed about 3½ hours and 22 courses before the curtain was rung down.

The menus were handsomely gotten

up and will be preserved by all as souvenirs of a most happy and enjoyable occasion.

Representing the News were present: Messrs. J. H. Caskey, J. Boyd Nesbitt, A. W. Peterson, R. G. Southworth and A. H. Dever.

The guests representing the Nugget were as follows: Geo. M. Allen, E. J. Fitzpatrick, F. J. Hemen, J. J. Filbin, W. P. Allen.

#### Salvation Army Xmas Dinner.

The preparations for the free Christmas dinner at the Salvation Army hall tomorrow are now complete, and all that is necessary to make it an unqualified success is for 150 people to be on hand to enjoy the spread. The first sitting will be at 12 o'clock prompt, the next at 1 o'clock. The bill of fare consists of roast turkey with cranberry sauce, roast beef, chicken and caribou, boiled ham, plum pudding, mince pie, fruit, etc. No one need go without a taste of Xmas cheer, as the price is within the reach of the poorest, absolutely free.

#### A New Garbage Dump.

The people of South Dawson have complained to the council that it is working a hardship upon them to be compelled to carry their garbage to the dumping ground below town, because it is so much further than for Dawson proper.

The council, in view of this complaint, and the recognized justice of it, has decided to flag off another dumping ground over against the hill on the opposite side of the river from South Dawson.

#### Wire Is Down.

Since Saturday evening, at 5:30 o'clock there has been no telegraphic communication between Dawson and points farther up the river than Ogilvie, as a break occurred at that time between there and Stewart which has not yet been located.

#### Turkey Going Up.

Notwithstanding the heavy consignments of turkeys, ducks and chickens which arrived in cold storage last fall Dawson's social progress has been so rapid this winter and so many people have acquired the dinner party habit, that the supply has fallen short of the demand, and consequently the price of turkeys has gone up from 85 cents per pound to \$1.10 and, in view of the fact that New Year's day is approaching will probably drive the price still higher.

#### Ladies and Clerks.

This has been a great day in Dawson for ladies and store clerks, the latter having been busy since early morning waiting upon and selling goods to the former. All the stores have been crowded all day, the clerks, poor boys, have gone without lunch and—oh, well, Christmas comes but once a year.

#### A Narrow Alley.

Complaint is made by teamsters that there is an endless amount of inconvenience caused as the result of "meets" in the alley between First and Second avenues, which alley is but 10 feet wide—too narrow for teams to pass in it, and when a meeting occurs there is nothing to do but for one or the other to back out. It is proposed that the only way this trouble can be obviated is to use one end as an entrance and the other as an exit. Teamsters are anxious that some one in authority act in the matter at once.

#### Wanted.

One passenger for Whitehorse, light rig, one horse, record time. Call Nugget office.

#### Notice.

Miss B. V. Robson can learn something to her advantage by calling at the Nugget office.

Xmas at the Pioneer drug store. You know what that means.

Outside fresh cabbage at Meeker's.

Baldwin apples at Meeker's.

Sour Dough Letter Heads for sale at the Nugget office.

## COMING AND GOING.

Deputy Sheriff Seamour has been confined to his room for the past few days by la grippe.

Capt. Starnes is so far recovered as to leave his house and was seen on the street this morning.

Constable Alex Pennycook has returned from the outside and is again attached to the division.

Numerous officials will be in from outlying districts to spend tomorrow with friends in the city.

Constable W. Bell is down from Indian river on a visit to friends. He will return after the holidays.

Assistant Mining Inspector Beatty, of Hunker, who has been laid up for some time with a broken leg, has so far recovered as to be out on crutches.

Major Wood will not be able to leave the house for some time, but has improved so much during the past week that he will be able to entertain a number of guests at dinner tomorrow.

Although \$3000 is appropriated for the purpose of defraying the expense of destitute persons to the outside, that amount would have to be doubled if all those applying for government aid were relieved.

Lindemann the jeweler has removed to Monte Carlo building.

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FISH	
Planked File of Superior Flekerel.	Pomme de Duchesse
RELISHES	
Queen Olives	Dill Pickles
Chow-Chow	Chutney
English Walnuts	
BOILED	
Capon Cretes, de Coq	
ENTREES	
File of Beef, larded, aux Champignons	Cervelles Vesis a la Poilote
Fricassee of Young Chicken, Superior	
Saute Squabs au Maieria	
Cutlets of Mountain Goat,	
Harriot vert	
Beignets Souffe, sauce Chateau	
ROASTS	
Standing Prime Ribs of Beef au Jus	Leg of Southown Mutton, Dundee Marmalade
Young Vermont Turkey, Celery Dressing and Cranberry Sauce	
Suckling Pig, New Sweet Potatoes	
VEGETABLES	
Steamed and Mashed Potatoes	New Potatoes in Cream
Escalloped Tomatoes	
Asparagus Tips on Toast	
DESSERT	
PUDDING	
English Plum Pudding Hard and Brandy Sauce	
PUNCH	
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ICE	
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PIES	
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