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WRONG IS TRIUMPHANT

Colonel Steele Removed For No Cause.

STANDS IN THE WAY OF GOVERNMENT PETS.

Without Warning He Is Peremptorily Recalled.

A Man of Spotless Reputation Considered a Threat to Schemes and Schemers and Ordered Out of the Territory—Wrong Is Again Triumphant Upon the Yukon.

Colonel S. B. Steele, by long odds the most highly respected man on the Yukon today, has been peremptorily recalled to an obscure post of the Northwest Territory. The one competent and absolutely honest official in Dawson has suffered the degradation of removal from a position he has honored and rendered most honorable in a short incumbency of less than a year. The nefarious schemes of the Sifton gang of political pirates could not suffer the continuance of even one honest and competent member of an outlying government—a government constructed purely upon self-interested lines and designed solely to acquiesce in the blackguardly spoilation of a defenseless territory. Without one word of explanation, at a time when the merits of the man had won him the confidence of every man, woman and child with a day or a year's experience on the Yukon, the worthy colonel suffers the ignominy of an imperative removal from the honorable position he had won in the country. His success in administration and his growing popularity with a people which has learned to respect and admire him as no other man in the territory is either respected or admired, proved too much for that ring of sharks, which desires nothing here in governmental circles but pliant incompetence and the subservient and conscienceless blindness which would conveniently close the eyes to the multifarious schemes of the conspirators for self-enrichment. Without one word of warning, which might have led to an almost national protest, Colonel Steele is relegated to obscurity, that not even one pair of keen, cold honest eyes should witness the villainous prostitution of governmental prerogative in turning over to private bodies of henchmen the public property of this great and growing Arctic commonwealth.

On Thursday last a brief communication was brought down from the end of the telegraph line, addressed to Col. S. B. Steele. It contained but a few short words, signed by the Minister of the Interior, advising the recipient that he was required to report at once in person for duty at Regina. The dispatch went on to state that the Colonel would be superseded by Major Perry, of Vancouver, and that the colonel need not await the arrival of that gentleman but could start out at once upon the arrival of Inspector Primrose, of Tagish.

The colonel is a soldier by birth and training and it has been given to few men in the history of the country to so

signally win the admiration and esteem of all with whom he came in contact. Of a bluff exterior and manner, but of sterling integrity without so much as turning over a hand to win the approbation of the press or public; without the slightest act which could have been construed as an attempt to curry favor with influential people; of a gruff unapproachableness, the deposed commander of the N. W. M. P. has not only disarmed all criticism and all carping, but in eight months has won the laurels of public esteem to such a singular degree that his praises are resounding through the length and breadth of Canada and the United States and a thousand periodicals of every party and "ism" are pointing in unqualified approval to the one righteous man who, like Lot of old, has saved the Sodom and Gomorrah of Canadian officialism from the stigma of being utterly without excuse for further existence.

But the confiscation plans and concession programs of the gang temporarily in control of Canadian affairs caused them to look askance at the growing reputation of a man who was becoming famous for virtue, not for duplicity; for honesty and not for avariciousness; for temperance and not for

who critically scanned all suspicious orders and saw that they were properly signed and sealed that those truly responsible for the iniquity in hand could be properly traced and identified.

The Nugget does not believe in waiting until a man is dead before meting out to him his share of praise or blame, whichever may be due. We cannot recall a solitary favor which would put us

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Another Holdup.

About 9:30 o'clock last Sunday night, Mr. J. H. Johnson, proprietor of the Arlington restaurant, was held up by two masked men, near the Klondike bridge. The robbers stepped from the side of the road, directly in front of Johnson; one of them aimed a revolver at his head, and told him, in no uncertain tones, to throw up his hands; the other highwayman rifled Johnson's trousers pockets, relieving him of \$250 in currency and a sack containing gold dust to the value of \$150. No attempt was made to take his watch and chain, after securing the money and dust, the man holding the gun said: "Don't you try to move or yell, or I'll brain you where you are." Then both robbers ran towards the bridge. Johnson, as soon

SULPHUR DOING WELL.

Many Claims Join The Already Profitable Ones.

Steam Thawing—Steam Hoisting—Summer Sluicing and Extensive Preparations for Winter.

Sulphur creek claim owners are preparing for a heavy winter's work, and quite a number of claims were summer worked and pay located on several that were heretofore blanks.

The vicinity of the twenties below bear the marks of summer prospecting to a greater extent than any other portion of the creek. Last winter small pay was taken out near the creek, but on No. 18 good pay was located on the left, almost on the hillside, and the claims just above and below have all lined up and struck the pay streak hard. Thirty-three below has been working a great portion of the summer and handling some very fine dirt.

Billy Strong, of 17 below, has some odd partnerships, but then Billy is not a bit stuck up over them. A negro woman and himself are the owners of a good Gold Run claim, and now the surveyors on Sulphur make the Queen a property holder and part owner of Billy's windlass, shaft and drift and right on the best of the pay. This fraction above 17 below is not the only one, and dozens have been lined out by Mr. Cautley and his surveyors, from ten to 200 feet. What a beautiful stampede would be on if the old law and ring were in vogue.

Eight below located the pay streak late in the spring and will work two steam thawers. Five and 4 below summer sluiced and will also be worked this winter. 3A and 3 were sold this spring and opened up in good shape by summer work. The claims are easily worked as the pay is in the creek bed.

That perseverance will win is shown on 12 above. Messrs. Moore and Hunter have prospected 12 above for two winters and took out a bare grub stake, yet they keep up spirits and this summer were rewarded by striking very fine pay some distance from the creek on the left. The first thousand buckets hoisted, and run down to the creek, sluiced \$5 to the bucket and colors can be seen all through the dump. Mr. Moore will go outside, but Mr. Hunter will take out a dump and get the ground ready for extensive work next summer.

Twenty nine above was mostly drifted out last winter and Slater brothers are just finishing the remainder with a thawer and the pay has been good.

Thirty-six above has the finest plant on the creek and one of the finest in the country. They have a double elevator and are tunneling and running the dirt on wheel barrows on the elevator and dump it in the sluice boxes.

Sulphur has very few hotels when compared with the other creeks. Sproull & Co. have started the McDonald hotel on 36 above and George Nunan has opened a road house on 3 below.

Maps of the Klondike and Stewart river districts for sale at the Nugget office.



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After barring whiskey from the territory by order in council and the proper notification of the colonel to that effect the Siftonians found themselves utterly unable to pass the police barriers themselves with any half way permit which should clear the glorious name of Sifton in case of future investigation. Not a drop of whiskey could pass without the damning evidence of the proper and legible signature of the man at the head of interior affairs. No wonder that the whiskey-manipulating ringsters secured the removal of the unbribed and fearless commander. Every wholesale, unrighteous iniquity of dispossession and confiscation planned for this land of gold and ice requires for its successful consummation the co-operation of the effective Northwest Mounted Police, and after all it is not at all strange that a man should be removed whose rigid ideas of right require him to execute all his orders with a military precision, but

as he recovered his senses proceeded to the barracks and reported his loss. Two policemen immediately returned with him to the scene of the crime, but no trace of the criminals could be secured. The night was dark, and Johnson can give no description of the perpetrators of the robbery, other than that one of them was armed with a pistol; that both were masked; and that they were men of medium height. Corporal Wilson has no clue, but thinks that there is something more than coincidence in the fact that most all of the hold-ups have been committed on Sunday nights.

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HAVE YOU SEEN THE GHOST?

A Deserted Cabin Proves to Contain an Old Corpse.

After a Series of Adventures a Poor Corpse Is Started on a Long Journey to Its Resting Place.

And now the cat is out of the bag and a lot of frightened women in the neighborhood are nightly seeing ghosts and hobgoblins, while, after nightfall, the vicinity of the cabin is as deserted as a graveyard at midnight. And it all came about from the concealing of a corpse in a cabin for five months, and then removing it. It certainly was a shock to the neighbors—some of their cabins being within a few feet of the one occupied by the dead man—to find that for five long months they had neighbored with a corpse without exchanging calls or even knowing of the existence of the silent one. On Saturday the body was taken from its bier, sealed in a tin-lined casket, put aboard the Columbian and shipped to the home of the dead man's relatives in Pennsylvania.

Graeber, the dead man—first name unknown—died at Selkirk last winter, and, of course, has been dead ever since. In the natural course of events the corpse was interred in the frozen ground of Selkirk's townsite with due and appropriate ceremonies, and the public took it for granted that the remains would remain undisturbed in frozen solitude until Gabriel's trumpet should sound the resounding reveille of the last day. But the public counted without the dead man's Pennsylvania relatives, and hence the story of the cabin on the northeast corner of Fourth avenue and Fifth street, in Dawson.

The cabin belongs to Attorney Tabor, a gentleman familiar enough with dead and musty laws, but who shudders at the thought of ever again living in a cabin which for five months has been occupied by a seven-months' corpse. Tabor gave the renting of the cabin to the hustling firm of Stauff & Zilly, neither of which gentlemen had the faintest idea of what uses the cabin was being put until apprised of the same by The Nugget man on Monday. Neither the police nor the health officer have known of the existence of this uncoffined corpse on the hillside, for it was introduced into Dawson last April, all in a frozen condition, was carried into the cabin unbeknown to any but the interested ones, and the door double locked from the prying gaze and light fingers of the house-breaking gentry of Dawson. Spring came and was succeeded by summer and the unused trail to the cabin door grew up in tender grasses and weeds, proving it to have been unused since the introduction of the corpse. The cabin was secured for the purpose last April by one Joe Warner, who represented to the unsuspecting Stauff & Zilly that it was wanted for a cache, and would not, therefore be subjected to any great amount of wear and tear. Imagine their surprise to learn what had been cached there all this time.

Imagine the creepy sensation which overcame the ladies of the neighborhood when from windows and doors they witnessed on last Saturday the bringing forth of a corpse already well on towards the mummified condition of Rameres II, on exhibition in the museums of America.

W. F. Howe, the tinsmith, doesn't know much about it excepting that last week he contracted with parties unknown to prepare a tin-lined casket and to afterwards seal it up with a corpse inside. The work of sealing up was done in plain view of the ladies of neighboring cabins, and now there are nightly shrieks from unknown directions as the ladies weak up in terror after dreaming of being themselves sealed up and shipped via Bennett and

Skagway to a final resting place beneath the Stars and Stripes.

There are very few things have happened in this northern land but the Seattle P.-I. can be discovered at the bottom of it, and strangely enough the disturbance of our dead is attributable to the same source. The fact is that Will Steele, of that Seattle periodical, is from the same part of the world as the dead man and early last winter was asked to see to the return of the body to its original home. Negotiations were started through Bonny & Stewart and one Reiger, a traveling undertaker, was commissioned to carry out the task. He exhumed the body, as stated, brought it down to Dawson, placed it in its mausoleum (nee Tabor's cabin) and then an interruption occurred in the financial negotiations between Seattle and Dawson. H. G. Steele, of the News, then appeared upon the scene with proper powers of attorney to dispose of the unburied remains, and so the story comes out by its removal from its resting place and shipment on the Columbian. What further adventures await the wandering, unresting corpse before it is finally allowed to return to dust beneath the sod does not yet appear, but the nervous neighbors of Tabor's cabin are ready to vouch for the fact that each night promptly at 12—but there, let the wandering ghost cry for burial as it will, we neither propose to hunt it down nor report its sayings.

Trees Expel Malaria.

Havana, Aug. 27.—Owing to frequent recommendations to Gov. Gen. Brooke, of the eucalyptus tree as an anti-malarial agent, some investigations into the subject have been carried on under his orders. Attention has been called to the success obtained in cultivating the tree in the vast Campagna di Roma, Italy.

The City of Mexico is cited as another instance where the Vigo canal, the floating gardens and other malarial districts are now well stocked with young trees, with the result that the places which were once marshes and unhealthy have been rendered dry and innocuous. One recommendation says that the camp of the British troops in Jamaica, which was formerly malarial, has been planted with eucalyptus, the outcome already being a steady disappearance of marshy spots.

The tree department at Santiago de Cuba, not knowing of the investigations in progress under Gen. Brooke's direction, recently made a request for several thousand eucalyptus slips, the requisition being strongly indorsed by Gen. Leonard Wood.

The officials in charge of the yellow fever hospital planted several slips some months ago, and these are now thriving. It is believed that great good will result from the investigation. Some years ago experiments were tried here, the result being satisfactory for the first five years, after which it is said the trees died, but the consensus of opinion among the medical authorities is favorable to a repetition of the experiment, which Gen. Brooke will probably attempt at an early date on a large scale.

Order Signed.

Dublin, Aug. 24.—Earl Cadogan, lord lieutenant of Ireland, yesterday signed the expected order releasing the Maryborough jail James Fitzharis, alias "Skin the Goat," who in May, 1883, was sentenced to penal servitude as an accomplice in the murder of May 6, 1882, in Phoenix Park, Dublin, of Lord Frederick Cavendish, chief secretary for Ireland, and T. H. Burke, permanent under secretary, who were assassinated by stabbing, by four men known as the "Invincibles."

Arctic Brothers Attention.

In the name of Her Iceiness you are requested to report your names and address to the undersigned, that you may be notified when and where to assemble, that you may aid in instituting a Dawson camp of the mysterious "A. B." A. F. George, Nugget Office. Duly accredited organizing deputy of Home Camp, Skagway No. 1, for the Territory of the Yukon.

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ALL-AMERICAN MAIL ROUTE.

George McDougall Gives Interesting Lower River News.

American Customs House on Forty-mile—Wagon Road From Eagle—Relay Posts to the Pacific Coast.

Mr. George McDougall, the gentleman who last winter rendered the community such signal service by overhauling and bringing back to the courts of the land the escaping Michael Eschwege, returned to Dawson Saturday after a season of active "mushing" over on the headwaters of the Tanana. Mr. McDougall is a close observer and his comments upon the lower creeks and river towns are of decided interest.

Fort Egbert is the American military station established at Eagle City. There is already a company of blue coats established there with a hundred more men on the way.

A regular United States mail service has now been established over the Copper river route, between Eagle on the Yukon to Port Valdes on the Pacific ocean, over the all-American route. Relay posts are being established all along the route, which, by-the-way, is proving to be a fairly good one into Alaska. However, it is admitted on all hands that the only advantage of the trail over the route through Canadian territory down the Yukon is its all American feature. The trail is only 350 miles long, and is therefore much less winding than the ice trail over the frozen Yukon. The mail service, with the aid of horses, is now in active operation.

A wagon road is in process of construction between Eagle and the Forty-mile river.

The road in no place crosses the boundary, and strikes the Fortymile river well on the Alaska side of the danger line. It is believed that the completion of the wagon road and the

establishment of an American customs house on Fortymile, at the Canadian line, will cause the upbuilding of Eagle at the expense of Fortymile city, since the latter town depends upon the American creeks entirely for its support. The customs house has already been established. The wagon road will be completed this fall.

The S. V. T. and A. C. companies are both actively engaged in building operations at Eagle.

Eagle is just at present enjoying an influx of trading dust from American creek. Two saloons are doing a thriving business, and the familiar gold scales are in particular evidence.

The A. C. store has been discontinued at Seventymile city, though an expert from Peoria, Ill., is engaged in planning large hydraulic operations for that stream. The necessary plant is looked for either this fall or over the ice, ready for spring operations.

Mr. McDougall and the balance of the Tanana prospectors heard nothing of the Nome strike until after coming out a few days ago.

Notice of Dissolution.

Notice is hereby given that the partnership heretofore existing between us, the undersigned, under the firm name and style of the Dawson Saw Mill and Building Company and as Smith & Hobbs, in the town of Dawson, in the Yukon Territory, has this day been dissolved by mutual consent.

All debts owing to said partnership are to be paid to Owen W. Hobbs, at Dawson, aforesaid, and all claims against the said partnership are to be presented to the said Owen W. Hobbs, by whom the same will be settled.

Dated at Dawson, Yukon Territory, this 22d day of August, A. D., 1899.

O. W. HOBBS,
R. C. SMITH.

Witness: ALBERT B. GUPTILL.

Dissolution of Partnership.

The partnership heretofore existing between W. E. Thomas and Ike Rosenthal has this day been dissolved; all bills due the old firm will be collected and outstanding obligations paid by Ike Rosenthal.

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SLOAN JOHNSON ON GOLD.

Says the Wealth of the Country Is in the Quartz.

Tells of Pockets and Formations— Says Hills Must Be Denuded of Debris Before Full Value Appears.

The gold on Bonanza and Eldorado creeks originated principally in the track of the glacier that parallels those streams. The glacier traveled from a northerly direction, following a formation commonly known as porphyritic quartz, which is about 600 feet wide and which lies about 150 feet higher than the present bed of the two creeks mentioned.

The formation over which the glacier traveled is composed principally of igneous rocks, mixed to a certain extent with metamorphic rocks.

The formation of the gold belt is very similar to that of California, and the gold found in the alluvial deposit has at some time been connected with the dikes of dissimilar rock and with the quartz veins and stringers crossing and connecting with each other throughout the gold-bearing formation.

We will mention a few formations crossing the great dike covered by the gravel.

Commencing opposite No. 25 below on Bonanza, on Fox gulch we find small stringers of rhyolite crossing the main formation at right angles.

On 19 gulch we find an intrusive dike, commonly known as pegmatite. This occurs on bench claim opposite the upper half of No. 3, left limit. On the upper half of No. 3, Magnet gulch, we find the pure porphyritic quartz, largely interlaced with quartz stringers.

On benches opposite Nos. 12 below, Bonanza, mica schist intrudes itself into the main dike and forms the bedrock of the benches.

At No. 5 below on Bonanza we encounter the graphite schists crossing the benches at right angles. This is found in great abundance on Chechaca hill.

Passing to Big Skookum, we find a cross section of chloritic schist. This formation traverses Gold hill, and has much to do with the rich deposit of gold found there.

Between No. 13 and No. 14 Eldorado we encounter a diabase dike crossing the formation.

On French hill we have black slate, talcose slate and plumbago schist.

On upper Eldorado, porphyry occurs quite frequently, together with mica schist and plumbago schist.

These formations are intrusive, and at the point of contact with the quartz veins and stringers form what are known as quartz pockets. And when the gravel is removed from the hills and the bed rock exposed the pocket miner will then uncover the richest pockets the world has ever seen.

French hill, Gold hill and Chechaca hill give evidence of wonderful rich pockets in the quartz. The glacier wore the formation down and turned the pockets inside out and deposited the gold on bed rock. The pick and drill will delve into the quartz stringers and find pockets of fabulous richness when the pocket miner can see the formation and find the stringer on which to sink.

A peculiar feature of the coarse gold streak in the high benches is that native quicksilver is found on Fox hill to Gold hill. Also we find along the line of the glacier drift, especially about the 60s below on Bonanza, many specimens of cassiterite or stream tin. This follows with the heavy gold. This is very rich in tin, assaying 67 per cent. tin.

We think, judging from the peculiar geological structure of the country, that the great wealth of Bonanza and Eldorado districts lies under the alluvial deposits of the high benches, and when transportation companies will sell pow-

der and steel at reasonable profit, and the government be more liberal in its policy, then the resources of this country will be developed.

We do not look for milling quartz, but the wealth of the country lies in the bull quartz or pocket quartz, where it makes a crossing with other veins or dikes; and instead of heavy machinery being necessary the miner, with a hand mortar, can separate the gold as we do in California.

J. SLOAN JOHNSON.

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under obligation to the colonel and he appears to have carefully avoided the compromising difficulty of meeting us socially. Had he erred in his administration or strayed from the narrow path of rectitude, there was nothing would have prevented a Nugget expose of the fact. In four or five days he will leave this community, possible forever. It will therefore be seen by our readers that it is not with an eye either past or future favors that we join with them in protesting against the colonel's removal and expressing our and their sense of loss and of genuine appreciation of the commander's most estimable qualities. He is one man in ten thousand. Conservative and Liberal press alike will deprecate with us this last emanation of the office of the Minister of the Interior, and we warn the colonel that he must be prepared for a storm of praise for which his well known modesty ill fits him. One of the strangest things about his incumbency has been the absence of all adverse criticism from even the most radical opponent of the men to whom he owes his appointment. Of a stern, unyielding devotion to duty, his many acts have been so open and transparently free from anything which might be construed as "shady" that one by one the skeptical ones have vociferously filed into line as supporters and have left none of the opposition but a handful of vags and crooks, who have felt the iron heel of authority.

Knowing how our readers will feel about this important change, we have secured a few items in the career of this popular gentleman. His military brusqueness and precision is largely hereditary as his father was all through the Napoleonic wars—of course upon the British side of the question. An uncle was a major under the gallant General Wolf and entered Quebec with the victorious Britishers. The father of the present commander of the N. W. M. P. was a lieutenant aboard the Leopard which, it will be remembered, precipitated the war of 1812, by, in 1807, firing into the famous Chesapeake when enforcing the British claims to the right of search of American vessels for runaway sailors. It may be added in parenthesis that notwithstanding this record of his paternal ancestors, there is probably not a British officer in the land with more friends across the American boundary than this same Colonel Steele.

Colonel S. B. Steele's own life has been purely a military one. At the age of 17 he as already a soldier and in Eastern Canada organized a company of militia to repel the famous Fenian invasion of years ago. At 18 another company was raised by the young man and he was complimented by the company with an election to the position of captain.

The Riel rebellion of 1877 saw the youthful soldier to the front with Wolseley, since elevated to the highest rounds of the ladder of fame as commander of the British armies. For his able services in the Riel campaign Mr. Steele has been awarded a medal.

His military career and training commenced with the second battalion of the Seventeenth Leicestershire Infantry, then stationed in lower Canada. He afterwards received a thorough knowledge in artillery work under the dis-

tinguished Major General French who was one of the twenty-five who are each century raised to the proud position of commandant, stationed at Shoeburyness and to whom the British nation looks for the perfection of the artillery of all its armies. Upon graduating from under Major General French, S. B. Steele received from his instructor the highest commendations and a standing which qualified him at once as instructor of artillery practice wherever he might be needed. The colonel has since been frequently employed in this capacity.

In 1873 the Northwest Mounted Police was organized by the now Superintendent Griesbach and Colonel Steele each raising a half of company "A." S. B. Steele took the rank of sergeant-major and by faithful and conscientious service has raised himself to the highest rank in that body, a rank he still retains, even in the new sphere of action provided for him.

To sum up the foregoing, the colonel has been raised by superior personal merit and removed by political chicanery. Too honest to compromise a record of a lifetime of conscious devotion to duty, the exigencies of Liberal politics required his room rather than his company. He is in the way to covert fraud and when he has gone it stands

us all in hand to be prepared to withstand the avalanche of oppression [and extortion which comes in the guise of secret concession and which could not tolerate his presence.

In conclusion it may be added that better for the colonel a thousand times is his reputation and removal, than the continuance in office and unenviable names of many he leaves behind in political security. He carries away with him the good wishes of the inhabitants of the territory and a clean, wholesome record, which has avoided even the appearance of evil. The year's accounts of the N. W. M. P., covering some hundreds of thousands of dollars, have been audited by the government auditor and found to be in such commendable order that a day and a half only was required to go over them all. Not a complaint has been made against him [and the Sunday-like peace and quiet of Dawson, together with the security of life and property in the Yukon, is a monument to the efficiency of his direction of police affairs. Understood rightly, it is an undoubted compliment to the integrity of the man that Mr. Sifton cannot tolerate him here longer in his present influential position.

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FIRE! FIRE!!

How many times will Dawson burn the coming winter? This is the vital question which every business man of Dawson is constantly asking himself as he sees the rapid construction of one building after another right up to his very walls. In three months this summer the business district of Dawson has extended over five more blocks than were similarly occupied in the spring. Six streets devoted to business in place of the one in use previous to the great fire. Ten business houses of repute to one doing any considerable business as short a time ago as three months. All this and more at the mercy of an incompetent who refuses to hand over to ourselves the government and protection of our town, notwithstanding that he is fully empowered to give us self-government and self-protection. It is simply cowardly to refuse us the right of self-defense from fire which incorporation would give us, and to himself dilly-dally along with William Ogilvie, the head of a fire department which he knows as little about as a mule knows of the construction of a watch. Three great fires last winter under the same supervision should be amply sufficient to demonstrate to any sane man that it is much more in line with Mr. Ogilvie's peculiar qualities to arbitrate the differences between squaw men than to intelligently organize and maintain a department capable of giving the citizens of Dawson any considerable protection from their old and inveterate enemy—the fire fiend.

Certainly the town will burn. We have it on the word of members of the fire department that one engine will not lift water four feet, while we can see for ourselves that the other is in exactly the same position as regards fuel, etc., as was the alleged cause of the last great failure and disaster. Certainly it will burn. Will Mr. Ogilvie assume the responsibility if it does? or will he give us incorporation and let us defend ourselves?

Let us see how Mr. Ogilvie protects Dawson in return for the immense revenues derived from its inhabitants. Take a stroll down Front street towards the hospital as we have done. Note that in the center of a business district, surrounded by large warehouses and other buildings is a pile of coal oil cases 20 feet in th air. Observe that there are no sides nor top to the building as yet, and that every individual case of that pile of 5000 is reeking with escaped oil. Take notice how the clear blue liquid drips drop by drop from case to case until the floor is reached. Notice for yourselves how that floor is soaked through and through with the inflammable Pennsylvania product until it leaks through and saturates the moss

beneath. See for yourselves whether or not that suspicious floating liquor in the surrounding ditch is oil or water, and then ask yourself what would happen should a careless smoker drop the glowing end of a match in that proximity, to be fanned into a small flame by the caressing wind.

As a matter of fact there would be a sudden rush of flame, a succession of vicious explosions and a rush of burning oil to the river which would burn up every boat from there down before the telephone had advised Mr. Ogilvie that there was another fire in town. Meanwhile a shower of burning drops would communicate a flame to every Ogilvie-protected building in the neighborhood. What has Chief Ogilvie to say to this.

Since the surveyor-governor insists upon retaining as a plaything every power which happens to fall to his hands he must also take the responsibility. The name must accompany the game—and will do so.

IS IT ATAVISM?

On the outside, at every theatre and in every music store the patrons are nauseating with an avalanche of coon songs. Dawson is not one whit better. Every new song manufactured and sung in the past twelve months has had to do with the grief of some deserted coon or coonlet. Wherever we go we are treated with a popular imitation of the manner in which some Mr. Coon is invited to absent himself from his inamorita's place of business, or else we are regaled with a correct impersonation of some indignant lady of color refusing the amorous advances of her paramour in favor of some newer object of her affections. A popular refrain appears to be:—

I don't care if you never come back

So take your clothes and go.

Another one is:—

There's a bully gone to rest.

More than this, the orchestras and bands are all playing music dignified with the title of "cake walks." Some, like "Whistling Rufus," are catchy and of undoubted merit, but more have simply their coon names and negro inflection to recommend them to the depraved tastes of the non-discriminating public. "Nellie Gray" and similar meritorious melodies are worthy of living forever, but the depraved taste which has driven every musician and song writer in America into the coon business is simply beyond the understanding of intelligent men. We wonder if it is not a reversion to type. It certainly is a case of degeneration when a race but just emerging from barbarism and slavery can so mark a highly civilized nation that all musical art is debased to the level of singing of the loves of "Ma baby" or "Ma Lulu," etc.

EXPANSION.

What a humbug is humanity after all. Here is a great people—the Americans—undergoing a very proper process of expansion and absorbing various smaller and less powerful nations, and we are well pleased to observe that the opposition to the said expansion and absorption is both weak and impotent. But what is the use of blackguarding Aguinaldo? Why not be honest about the matter and admit his patriotism to be as sincere as that of King Alfred or George Washington, but qualify the statement by saying that he stands in

the way of the world's progress, and must be licked and removed. If the Franks had not expanded into and absorbed Britain, where would the English nation have been today. But neither the Franks, the Danes, the Normans or the other conquerors stopped to argue the ethics of the conquest, nor tried to humbug themselves into the belief that they themselves were the patriots, and the defenders of the usurped and simple traitors.

The progress of the world demands that America expand and take in the Philippines, Cuba, Hawaii and as much more territory as the telegraph can reach, just as Rome expanded and covered the known world, and just as Great Britain has expanded and encircled the globe. But neither Rome nor Great Britain has deigned to make any other plea than the right of conquest and the ultimate good of humanity. Let us then be at least as honest as they and acknowledge ourselves the pirates which we certainly are, both by heredity from Saxon ancestors and by our history. When Penn inserted the entering wedge for the dispossession of a continent of Indians by a written treaty with the natives, he certainly knew it was the death warrant of those same Indians but history does not record that he hesitated nor stopped to soft-soap his conscience other than to acknowledge the Indians' right to their own land by going through the forms of a sale. And where is the man so bold today who

will say that the dispossession of poor Lo was not a grand thing for the world at large, and the triumphant white race in particular. Then why this attempt of some weak kneed and addle headed American journals to salve conscience and to muddle the minds of their readers, like Moses of old, when he pointed out the iniquities of the ungodly Amalekites as his reason for putting them to the sword and confiscating their lands flowing with milk and honey, their herds of cattle, their concubines and their maidens. Rot! Let us at least have a moral courage equal to our physical courage, and when we have taken the Philippines, acknowledge one to the other that we have done what was set out for us to do from the beginning, but that our opponents were not traitors nor ourselves the direct emissaries of the meek and lowly Jesus. The Creator made flies sweet and juicy, and fixed up the spiders with eight pairs of keen eyes that they might catch them. Big fish eat little fish, and while fattening on their little brothers, don't stop to point out to the tiny fellows their many iniquities for which they are being destroyed. Aguinaldo is not a traitor, but he has got to get into the band wagon with us and ride, or it will be worse for him.

The American consul is figuring on saying farewell to Dawson in about a week or ten days more. Our old friend John Quincy Adams, is drilling upon the routine work of the office in order to relieve the ex-consul of any anxiety he may have that he will be missed. John is not only a gentleman, but the wheels of thought have the right buzz when they work—and we will vouch for them working.

The wise, scientific experts of the world have figured up the earth's supply of coal and find that at the present rate of consumption we shall be reduced to again burning buffalo chips for

heating purposes, or for cooking in about a hundred years, unless, indeed, we shall have discovered some method of burning water or some other equally common natural product. Before giving their figures to the press the wise ones ought to have come to Dawson and sized up our winter coal pile. And then they should have gone over our few thousand square miles of known coal land and have made an estimate on the veins undiscovered. Alaska may yet supply London.

It would be a difficult matter to get any considerable body of men to agree upon just how much the Dawson ditches have had to do with the present dryness of the townsite. Whatever may be the conclusion arrived at, the fact remains that the unditched trail to the forks is just as dry. However, the ditch along the foot of the hill has in many places filled up to the brim with mud which could be very much more cheaply now removed with a long handled shovel than it can be chopped out next spring when the ditch will be most needed to interrupt the snow water running down the hill.

"Yom Kippur."

The Hebrew Day of Atonement, or "Yom Kippur," which has been conscientiously commemorated each year from the time that Moses inaugurated the service until the present, takes place this week. In no important detail does the service differ from the time of the forty years in the wilderness. At sundown Wednesday the day is commenced by the retirement of the faithful to the synagogue, which in this case will be the Pioneer hall, and until sundown on Thursday the time will be spent in fasting, devotional contemplation and prayer. So rigorous is the fast that even in washing the hands and face care must be exercised that not one drop of the fluid touches the lips of the devotees. At the end of the fast it used to be the custom to consecrate a goat to the bearing of the accumulative iniquities of the children of Israel, the goat being driven afar off into some desolate place and there left. Hence the term now in common use—"a scape-goat."

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From reports carried to Seattle by returning Cape Nome miners it is learned that in the new camp the utmost dissatisfaction prevail. Newly created officials are alleged to have subordinated their office to private ends, while it is said that even the United States troops are being used to carry out oppression's greedy plans. Believing that the publicity given such doings by a live and fearless press is the only known specific, the miner's favorite paper, the Nugget, has dispatched to Cape Nome a complete printing plant, including the identical press with which the Nugget stirred up the lions in Dawson for 12 long months.

Accompanying the plant is Mr. George Storey, who in the capacity of foreman has been with the Nugget from its first issue until the departure of the Tacoma, which carried him down river to that terra incognita across Norton sound. With Mr. Storey is Mr. Cole Burke, who as newsgatherer for this paper has become a familiar presence to the good people of Dawson during the past six months. Both men by long affiliation have become imbued with the fearless and aggressive principles of this paper, and will carry the war for good and just government right into the thick of the fight and give and receive knocks with the same philosophical impartiality. The Nome Nugget will be conducted along the same lines which have made the Klondike Nugget a household word throughout Canada, and will just as conscientiously refrain from bending the knee to the God of Mammon or to corrupt officialdom as our readers know that we have done. McCook's Americanism did not save him here, nor will the Americanism of the Nome oppressors save their hides from the punishment which report says they have already fully earned.

Mr. Storey is a printer of long experience and we look to him that the Nome Nugget present the same appearance of typographical neatness which has always characterized this paper of his hands. Of Mr. Burke it may be confidently prophesied that news will needs be indeed well hidden if it is to escape his note-book.

There is good work to be done in purifying the official atmosphere at the new camp, and after more than a year of life in Dawson our readers will concur with us in saying that it is distinctly apropos, and in order that the pioneer paper of Dawson—the Nugget—should also be the pioneer paper of Nome. The common good is really the only excuse a newspaper can have for its existence, and the Nome Nugget is destined to deserve a long and prosperous life. Here's to the new venture, Cape Nomers! we are with you for good or evil.

Made a Gun Play.

Mr. Jeff Henderson Davison again achieved a little unenviable notoriety last week which was concluded by a ten dollar fine. As the story came out in court it would appear that M. Gibbs found Davison "jagged" at the Monte Carlo last Wednesday night and assisted him to his cabin. Not being master of himself or his ideas, Davison conceived the suspicion that he had been robbed by the man who was with him in his cabin at the moment. His "poke" was certainly missing from its customary abiding place in a certain trouser pocket. Pointing a revolver at Gibbs, Davison abused him roundly in language not chaste but forcible. He accused Gibbs of robbing him and refused to let him depart until the "poke" was

returned. For what seemed hours to Gibbs he was forced to remain under penalty of being shot, until tiring of the sport, Davison picked the sack from the bed where it had dropped from his pocket and sulkily acknowledged the error of his accusation. Naturally, Gibbs was resentful and the police court trial resulted with results as above. As a possible explanation of the matter it is stated that Gibbs is an important witness against Davison in the case of McKenzie vs. Davison for the possession of the lower half of No. 3 on Magnet gulch, which McKenzie claims to have put Mrs. Davison on for the consideration of a half interest. The claim has turned out good and the half interest is not forthcoming.

Mr. Davison is the same gentleman who last winter, when Stewart was first surveyed and was giving promise of becoming a very considerable town, attempted to get on the ground floor by taking possession of the lots in the rear of the water front buildings, so that when those buildings were ordered back from the river bank the owners would have to negotiate with the said Davison for ground to move onto.

Stage Gossip.

Charley Meadows' theater deserves a better orchestra than it has got. An ambitious spectacular play like "A Sea of Ice," put on with a cheap, squeaky bargain-counter fiddle for a curtain-raising orchestra is out of all proportion. Heaven with a slab gate would not be any more ridiculous.

There is some very agreeable talent in the company. Babette Payne, as the heroine, is pleasant to the eye and ear. Hillyer, as the villain, conscientiously refrains from ranting and, in spite of a melancholic mien and delivery, his lines, so far from grating on one's nerves, are both sonorous and soothing. Little Margie Newman is charming in any part assigned her, and other members of the company do very well, when they know their lines. But to advertise a ladies' night, as last Friday, and then allow such goings on as marred that memorable evening, shows Charley to have little of the control of his company which the public demands. When the leading man is allowed in front of the curtain to vent his spleen in loud-voiced abuse on a man who has left town, and therefore cannot defend himself, it is time for the management to put on a bridle.

The affair arose from an item of interesting gossip written for this paper by the now absent news gatherer, Mr. Cole Burke. The data was given and vouched for by the management, and concerned the past marital relations of the gentleman in question. Hillyer came to the footlights with a dissertation in which he accused the writer of irresponsibility and of penning what he knew to be deliberately false. Mr. Hillyer lies. He had better confine himself to his art and his plays and leave public oratorical efforts out of his repertoire. The gossip was believed to be correct, or it would not have appeared in these columns, and Hillyer can go to his management for a verification of this statement. There was a most amusing incident occurred upon the same evening, which is also true. In the play the poor harrassed Camille goes to the window, opens it and calls for a neighboring grisette, Madame Prudence. Nellie Lewis took the latter character, but upon this occasion was not behind the window to reply, "Madame Prudence! Madame Prudence!! Madame Prudence!!!" called the consumptive heroine of Dumas' pitiful story. To the amazement of all present, the frowns head and flushed face of Nellie Lewis appeared between the curtains of one of the wine boxes overhead. In a high-pitched and incoherent voice came the horrifying reply: "Madame Prudence isn't there. Call away, all you like. Madame Prudence ain't a-comin' tonight. Don't you think she's comin' tonight." Though carried from the wine box by main force, the obstreperous Nellie refused to go on the stage, and the play had to be finished without her.

Record of Transfers.

The following transfers have been filed for record at the gold commissioner's office for Saturday and Monday:

H Warburton to J S Cameron, one-half 42A above Bonanza.

L E Benson to A Bartlett, all hill opp lower 1/2 115a low dis Dominion.

G H Thomas to W R Lloyd, one-half hill opp lower 1/2 113b up dis Dominion.

M Kresge et al to Thos Nixon, all bench 2d tier from Bonanza, 1st tier Skookum.

Alex McDonald to Emil Stauff, one-half 30 above dis Sulphur.

J E Underwood to M Worden et al, all benches on 3 and 4 in tier opp upper 1/2 11 6a Last Chance.

H Bjornsen to C O J Plume, all lower 1/2 8 on 49 gulch Bonanza.

S J Humphrey to Mark Anthony, one-half hillside adj lower 1/2 1138b dis Sulphur.

H D McLaine to J C Adams, two-thirds upper 1/2 18 Homestake.

J H Donnelly to D Heltzmann, one fourth bench 11 2d tier Fox gulch.

J H Donnelly to W N Barr, one-fourth bench 11 2d tier Fox gulch.

J H Donnelly to A W Schmidt, one-fourth bench 11 2d tier Fox gulch.

J H Donnelly to J H Keely, one-fourth bench 11 3d tier Fox gulch.

A L Keaving to Ben Mattson, one-fourth bench 2d tier 11 6b dis Bonanza.

E W Mills to Ben Mattson, one-twelfth bench 2d tier 11 6b dis Bonanza.

F A Ellicott to W H Hawks, all 2 Little Blanche.

Rhodes & Hestwood to Nels Peterson, all bench 1 11 Skookum 3d tier from Bonanza.

J D Meenach to Nels Peterson, one-sixth bench 1 south tier 9 west French hill.

Nels Peterson to M Kresge, one-twelfth bench 1 south tier 9 west French hill.

M Kresge to Nels Peterson, one-sixth bench 1 south tier 8 west French hill.

P E Peterson to M G Olsen et al, all bench 11 62b dis Bonanza.

J D Meenach to Nels Peterson, five-twelfths bench 1 south tier 9 west French hill.

Mrs K Boggs to J C Tolman, one fourth hillside lower 1-2 r 1 7b on Lovett gulch.

A J Knowles to E Stringer, one-third hillside adj upper 1-2 11 18a dis Bonanza.

A H Latschaw to R D Sutherland, one-fourth 75a Bonanza.

J M Cunningham to R D Sutherland, one-half 75a Bonanza.

S Dinner to D Ennis, one-fourth 4 on a pup joining Goldrun at 43.

G McDonald to T Law, one-fourth hill lower 1-2 r 1 9b lower dis Dominion.

H Wanhamaker to T H McKay, one-half 9a Quartz.

J W Towhey to W W Tinkham, all bench 5th tier upper 1-2 11 55b Hunker.

E E Shoonaver to W W Tinkham, all bench 4th tier lower 1-2 11 40b Hunker.

W Gilchrist to same, all bench 5th tier upper 1-2 39b Hunker.

E T Bartlett to same, hill lower 1 2 11 1 Independence.

L Pelletier to same, bench 5th tier opp upper 1-2 11 56b Hunker.

T B Craig to same, bench 4th tier lower 1-2 11 55b Hunker.

B R Willetts to same, bench 5th tier opp lower 1 2 11 56b Hunker.

L M Gains to E E Beems, one-third bench opp 1 1/2 11 30b Bonanza.

J B Lewis to J W Crawford, all hill 1 1/2 11 126b low dis Dominion.

J E Underwood to R Teller, one-quarter bench 16th tier 1 1 32 hydraulic res Hunker.

L Pontius to M Worden et al, one-half bench 14th tier 1 1 82 hydraulic res Hunker.

H A Thomas to T J Thomas, one-quarter low 50 ft of bench 11 18 above Bonanza.

A M Steins to H K Koon, three-eighths hill 11 46 below Bonanza.

W V Wells to H C Colby et al, one-half hill 11 6 and 7 above low dis Dominion.

J A Chute to H W Towle, all hill 1 1 11 and 11A above low Dominion.

W A Cole to A L Miller, one-third bench 3rd tier opp half 11 27 below Hunker.

W H Goodwin to J D McLeod et al, three-fourths 9 on pup 7 Victoria.

E W Dahlgren to H F Mueller, one-fourth bench 3d tier 11 2 Eldorado.

C L Allen to H C Klegg, one-fourth hill opp 1 1/2 11 2 Boulder.

G Fenwick et al to C Ross, one-third hill opp 1 1/2 11 39 below Hunker.

O C Ackerson to A Applequest, one-fourth hill 1 1/2 r 1 34 below Bonanza.

T F Allen to C Ross, one-third and 1/2 1 1 18 above Hunker.

P F Kist to O E Stanhope, one-quarter und 1/2 11 183 b low dis Dominion.

P T Rehder to L Tozlee, one-sixth No 4 Cariboo.

J R Holden to C C Brown, all hill No 2 11 Klondike.

T F Allen to N Holgate, one-third hill of und 1/2 11 42 below Hunker.

W Teske to J K Sparling, all bench 3rd tier low half 1 1 69 below Bonanza.

H E Fisher to J Bonman, one-half low half No 1 on pup d 23A below Hunker.

J Ross to T Smart, one-third 4 Whitman gulch.

T Smart to British Columbia R and S Co, one-third 4 Whitman gulch.

P Hoff to T Flechman, one-third 4 low 1/2 r 1 2-below Quartz.

Mrs N Newman to F Burkhardt, two-thirds hill of low 1/2 11 20 on pup a d Bear.

D McEllan to A Guthrie, all bench 5th tier 11 11 Gay.

A Bannerman to R A Choquette, one-fourth 37 above Hunker.

P Burkhardt et al to P Peterson, one-half bench 2d tier 1 11 Skookum.

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Sept. 15th

Rates:

Corra Block,

AN ALLEGED ALLIANCE.

The Japs and Chinamen About to Bury the Hatchet.

They Are Awakening to the Fact That the Occidental Nations Have Profited by the Late War.

Yokohama, via Victoria, Aug. 27.—Papers of last week, both native and foreign, have been filled with rumors of an alliance of some sort between China and Japan. Credence has been given to these reports, not only on the grounds of general likelihood of racial co-operation, but also because of current facts which seemed to make it probable.

It has been known that special envoys have recently come from China with some message of high import, while the reported intention of Japan to return to the Chinese government the ships captured in the late war has aroused much favorable comment. Added to these indications comes now news of the sudden stiffening of China's backbone. Private instructions having been sent to governors, generals and tacticians throughout the empire to use force if necessary in repelling any further foreign demands for leases of territory.

While all these things have seemed to render plausible the rumor of the alliance, it is wholly improbable that the present astute rulers of Japan would commit themselves to taking such an open hand in so enormously complicated a situation as the Eastern question now presents. Among the best informed, therefore, little credence is given to the popular rumors, while at the same time it is known that important negotiations of some sort are going on between the two governments.

Conjoined with the gossip about China it is but natural that there should be reports of strained relations between Japan and Russia. The time is not yet, however, for Japan, even with China to aid her, to try conclusions with the Northern foe. She must still be content with much nursing of her wrath.

Five Hundred Lives Lost.

San Juan de Porto Rico, Aug. 24.—It is said that 500 persons lost their lives at Ponce during the hurricane. Terrible distress prevails there. Arroyo, on the south coast, has been destroyed and 16 lives lost there and the town still submerged with water. Seven persons were killed at Guayama. A number of houses have been pillaged, squads of soldiers are unable to maintain order, and starvation threatens the population. The water supply of San Juan has been stopped. The Goamo Spring Hotel has been wrecked.

Washington, D. C., Aug. 24.—The war department has taken prompt action on Gen. Davis' report. The army transport McPherson has been ordered to sail from New York to San Juan and Ponce next Monday with supplies to relieve the destitute in Porto Rico. Acting Commissary General Weston ordered the purchase in New York of 600,000 pounds of rice and 600,000 pounds of beans to be shipped on the McPherson. Such other supplies as may be obtained at the time the McPherson sails will be sent on that ship.

The following dispatch addressed to Gen. Schwan was received at the war department today: "San Juan de Porto Rico, Aug. 21.—My country is devastated. For God's sake help us. (Signed) Capt. Lugovina." Lugovina is one of the Porto Ricans whom Gen. Schwan met during the campaign.

That Race War Again.

Darien, Ga., Aug. 27.—There were no hostilities between the blacks and the militia today, though the negroes are armed. That the situation is improved is evidenced by the fact that Col. Lawton, commanding the First regiment, has sent back to Savannah 86 men and three officers whose services are no longer needed. There remain some-

thing more than 200 soldiers on duty. These will remain until after the sitting of the special term of the superior court, which has been called to meet on Wednesday to try John Delegal for the murder of Deputy Sheriff Townsend.

The September term will also try the 35 black rioters who are now confined in the Savannah jail. It is probable that a special train and a military escort will bring the rioters from Savannah for trial. There are still several hundred-armed negroes in the swamp. A heavy rain has fallen today which will do much toward dampening their ardor.

Atlanta, Ga., Aug. 27.—Gov. Candler kept in close communication with Col. Lawton, of the First Georgia regiment, all day, and expressed satisfaction at the encouraging messages from the scene of the trouble in McIntosh county. Early in the afternoon Col. Lawton wired the governor that the situation had greatly improved, and that the arrest of Delegal had broken up all armed resistance on the part of the negroes. This evening the governor was notified that half of the Savannah regiment had left Darien for their homes.

The Liberty Independent cavalry and two troops of the First Georgia regiment will remain on guard. It was evident from the telegrams of Col. Lawton that he did not expect the negro mob to give up soon.

A Valuable Find.

Eldorado is becoming famous for other things than big nuggets. Tuesday night last there arrived a bonny little eleven-pound stranger at the cabin of Mr. and Mrs. P. J. Campbell, on Billy Campbell's famous Eldorado claim, No. 30. Mr. Campbell is in charge of operations there as foreman. Our informant was too modest to ask whether it was a little boy or girl, and being very young, was unable to judge for himself. We await the deciding of this most important point with bated breath.

Died at the Barracks.

Mr. J. Garnett, of Pincher creek, Alberta, died at the N. W. M. P. hospital at 8:45 a. m. Monday, September 11th. The remains will be interred in the police cemetery on the hill on Wednesday next. The funeral will leave the barracks at 2 p. m. Friends please note.

Dawson Prices.

Prices of table commodities ruling at Dawson mercantile establishments Friday were as follows:
 Flour—\$5 to \$6 per sack.
 Beans—10c. to 12c. per lb.
 Sugar—18c. per lb.
 Bacon—25c. to 30c. per lb.
 Butter—50c. to \$1 per lb.
 Rice—20c. to 25c. per lb.
 Rolled oats—20c. to 25c. per lb.
 Cornmeal—20c. per lb.
 Potatoes—Cheechakos, 25c. per lb.; sourdoughs, 35c. to 75c. per lb.
 Milk—40c. to 50c. per can.
 Cream—35c. to 40c. per can.
 Canned goods—Vegetables, 40c. to 50c. per can; meats, 50c. to 75c. per can.
 Ham—35c. to 40c. per lb.
 Dried fruits—25c. per lb.
 Onions—Cheechakos, 20c. per lb.
 Cabbage—Three lbs. for \$1.
 Summer squash—50c. per lb.
 Cucumbers—Three for \$1.
 Tomatoes—Cheechakos, 75c. to \$1 lb.
 Sweet potatoes—Three lbs for \$1.
 Poultry—Live chickens, \$3.00 each; old hens, \$5 each.
 Beefsteaks—60c. to \$1 per lb.
 Mutton—55c. to 75c. per lb.
 Pork—65c. to 75c. per lb.
 Veal—75c. to \$1 per lb.

Telegrams.

Send your telegrams to the outside via the Nugget Express service. Messages delivered to the nearest telegraph office for forwarding.

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Mr. Jones Discharged.

The case against T. M. Jones, president of the Great Western Consolidated Mining and Mercantile Company, of Chicago, was dismissed without the evidence for the defense being called for. As published in The Nugget of Sept. 2, Jones was arrested and brought back from Whitehorse rapids, which point he had reached on his way to the outside. The complainant was John Rine, also an officer of the company, who charged Jones with embezzlement of \$3000 of the company's funds. It was established in court by the prosecution's own evidence that Jones was duly authorized to disburse the company's funds, and had not acted outside his proper capacity. At any rate the judge took this view of the case and Mr. Jones was discharged without even being compelled to bring forward any evidence in his own behalf.

The Layman's Lament.

I struck the Klondike when the news
 That craz'd the nations far,
 With luring tales of frozen wealth,
 Beneath the polar star.

Where nuggets gleam'd amid the ice,
 Or shone on cradling moss,
 And, dazzling, made the silver's sheen
 Appear as worthless dross.

I went to see the famous creeks
 While hope was soaring high,
 And ne'er a cloud appear'd to mar
 The future's summer sky.

The sights attending cleaning up
 E'en took my breath away,
 For bedrock, sluice and gravel were
 Resplendent with the pay.

At first I thought I only had
 To scratch the frozen ground
 To strike the riches paling all
 The treasures ever found.

But while I sank in springing moss
 And stuck among the muck,
 I lost the faith I'd tender nurs'd
 In mere cheechaco luck.

For in the creek, on bench and hill,
 And where the river roll'd,
 I unrewarded spent my strength
 Pursuing phantom gold.

And then among the regions strange
 I was bewild'rd, lost,
 And what I learn'd of Arctic lore
 Seem'd hardly worth the cost.

So then, because I had no luck,
 I took a placer lay
 Upon a claim that promised big,
 But all before was play.

I built a cabin, cut my wood,
 And sank oft-times in vain;
 I breathed the gas in stifling drifts
 Until my life was pain.

The pick and shovel puff'd my hands
 And I grew stiff and sore,
 While working hard as any slave
 Had ever worked before.

I prospected another's ground,
 And paid him half alone,
 And help'd to square the royalty
 That makes the miners groan.

The dust which form'd my scanty share,
 That daily smaller grew,
 Would barely guarantee enough
 To see the winter through.

And so one day, with aching heart,
 I sat upon the dome,
 And while the endless ranges rose
 I sadly thought of home.

And those whose faithful, loving hearts
 Had mourn'd my absence sore,
 Who kept a chair and plate for me,
 In memory of yore.

And then a lump arose and filled,
 As I was feeling blue,
 And mists appear'd to hide the crests
 That loom'd before my view.

I rose, and then returning mush'd
 To where I us'd to be,
 For God's own land in sunshine bright
 Is good enough for me.

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MRS. CRANE ON MAIL MATTER

Speaks With Authority Upon This Interesting Subject.

She Ascertains the Fact That There Is No Congestion of Delayed Mail at Skagway.

Seattle, Aug. 28.—During her voyage from Dawson, Mrs. Alice Rollins Craue, the Los Angeles authoress, undertook to ascertain the cause of the interminable delay in mails, particularly letters addressed to American residents of the Klondike. The service, she says, is almost as abominable as it was in the pioneer days of the great gold camp.

When Americans protest, the Dawson postoffice authorities "with the solemnity of owls" invariably inform the complainant that the delay is due solely to the congestion of the Skagway office. "If you want your mail have the American Skagway office forward that 20 tons of mail matter that is piled, and has been for months, in the postoffice at that point," is the usual flippant reply of the Dawson office.

Accordingly, when Mrs. Crane reached Skagway she determined to investigate on her own account. She was shown all through the postoffice, but found absolutely no delayed mail. As a further proof of the fact the following signed statement was handed her with authority to publish, that it may be known that the fault of the delayed Dawson mails is not that of the American postoffices and clerks:

"To Whom It May Concern:
"Skagway, Aug. 22, 1899.—There has been dispatched from the Skagway office since July 4 for interior points 398 sacks, aggregating 10,579 pounds. Nine-tenths of this was letter mail and for months there has been no delay of any character in forwarding the mails from this office. The reports that tons of mail have for months been piled up at Skagway are absolutely without any foundation whatever. There is no accumulation of mail at this office, nor has there been at any time.

"A special agent of the department has been stationed here for some months and he has made it his special business to see that the mails are sent from this office regularly, and during last winter dispatched the mails frequently by special dog teams. If any delay has been occasioned in the arrival of mails at interior points it has been no fault of the Skagway office or the employes connected therewith.

"With regard to registered mail, it has been forwarded as rapidly as it was possible to record and make up the same.

"M. L. THESPY,
"Assistant Postmaster."

After McCook.
Mrs. Crane reached Seattle on Aug. 27, en route to her home in California, and was interviewed at considerable length by a reporter of the P.-I., who said:

Mrs. Alice Rollins Craue, authoress and miner, arrived in the city yesterday from the Klondike. She has for two years been gathering material for books, which she is soon to publish, and incidentally adding to her fortune by way of mine speculation and development. Of the many bright women whom the fates sent into the Klondike, none has had a more interesting career in the famous gold camp than Mrs. Crane.

In 1897, equipped with a commission from the bureau of ethnology of the Smithsonian Institute, she went to Alaska to make a collection of folk-lore and mythology of the Indians of that interesting land. Caught up by the great Klondike rush, she soon found herself in the Mecca for fortune hunters. She has made a study of the Klondike people, and her impressions are soon to find dramatized expression in the shape of a play, entitled "Official Life in Dawson," with Col. J. C. McCook,

the American consul, as the star character.

Mrs. Crane, by the way, bluntly says Col. McCook is a disgrace to the proud people he has the honor to represent in the most-talked-about gold camp in the world.

She tells several stories illustrative of the debauchery she alleges, and does not mince her words in describing his character and the opinion in which he is held by Canadians and Americans in Dawson.

Mrs. Crane, a few days before her departure from Dawson, had the professional pleasure of witnessing the Klondike's first execution, the triple hanging of Henderson and the two Indians, Dawson and Jim. She was the only woman present and was permitted to see the men hanged by reason of her profession. She received a special autograph invitation to attend from the territorial sheriff, Frank Harper.

Oom Paul in Danger.
London, Aug. 28.—There is little fresh news from South Africa, but it is announced that the governor of Natal has refused to allow the transit of empty cartridge cases intended for the Transvaal.

The Pretoria correspondent of the Daily Chronicle declares that President Kruger's concessions are so far-reaching that it is doubtful whether the burghers will ratify them. He thinks it more likely that they will demand Mr. Kruger's resignation and the appointment of a younger man, probably S. W. Burger, a non-official member of the legislative council of the Transvaal.

All the morning papers comment upon the seriousness of the situation, as revealed on Saturday at Birmingham by the speech of Joseph Chamberlain. The Daily Telegraph calls the speech "An informal ultimatum."

The Standard says it marks the most critical stage yet reached.

The Daily News says: "We cannot but suppose that such grave words were well weighed beforehand."

The Times says: "Such a delicate situation should not be protracted. We believe that within the last few days the final arrangements of the general direction of the expedition which will be necessary in the event of a rupture have been completed at the war office.

"It is scarcely necessary to point out the extreme danger of allowing entrance into South Africa of arms which would be likely to fall into the hands of black population exceeding the white four to one."

British and Russians Clash.
Shanghai, Aug. 27.—As the outcome of a dispute regarding the ownership of some lands at Hankow, on the Yangtsekiang, about 700 miles from the sea, which were purchased in 1863 by the concern of Jardine Matheson & Co. but were subsequently included in the new concessions to Russia, the owners under the advice and protection of Mr. Hurst, the British consul, sent workmen to fence in the tract.

After the work was begun a dozen Cossacks from the Russian consulate appeared on the scene and forcibly ejected the workmen.

The captain of the British second-class gunboat Woodlark, specially designed for river service, after consulting with Mr. Hurst, landed a party of blue jackets and moved the Woodlark within firing distance of the Russian consulate. For a time a fight seemed imminent, but nothing further occurred.

The blue jackets are now guarding the property.

The British third-class gunboat, Esk has been dispatched to Hankow from this port. Great Britain is evidently determined to uphold British rights.

How Is This?
Mr. Beall has established a dog livery stable, where dogs can be rented at the reasonable sum of \$1 per day, for dog and harness. This is a venture that will be appreciated by those who will only need the use of a dog team occasionally during the winter.

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HOT TIMES AT MANILA.

Letter From One of Uncle Sam's Boys Now at the Front.

Big Guns Do Terrible Damage—Church Blown Up—More Severity Should Be Shown Toward the Natives.

Mrs. Edna Agnew is in receipt of a letter from her brother Harry, who is helping fight Uncle Sam's battles in the Philippines. The letter tells in a realistic manner of the dangers incident to the war now in progress, and among other interesting matters contains the following:

"U. S. S. Callas, Manila, Philippine Islands, 1899.

My Dear Sister:—"I am on this gunboat yet, and I am not sorry, for we have been having some great fighting for the last two weeks, and the natives had something that could bark louder than a rifle—having four 6-inch muzzle loading and two 5.7 breech loading Krupp guns, and they used them.

On Saturday, June 18, we got under way 5:30 a. m. and steamed over to a place called Cavite Viego, where these guns were supposed to be. The Monterey moved over with the Helena, Princeton and Manila, and the Monadnock followed the coast from the direction of Manila down to Bacoor.

The ball was opened by the Monadnock, about a mile and half up from us, upon entrenchments along the beach, followed by the Princeton, Helena and Manila, who planted their shells around Bacoor and its church, doing great damage. The Monterey planted two 10-inch shells right into the church and one on the beach, and when I went over there Sunday I was able to see the damage 850 pounds of powder did. One shell struck the sand bank, about twenty feet thick, and put a hole in it through which a horse and carriage can drive. Another struck the church near the roof, went through the first wall like paper, struck the wall in the rear of it and burst, tearing the inside all to pieces and piling debris that would take weeks to cart away. The third struck in front of the altar, knocking that to pieces and unearthing a dozen or so skeletons. I was going to take one for a curio, but when I picked it up it nearly fell apart, so I left it.

Well, we had been cruising up and down the beach for an hour or so pumping shells from all guns into them, and we must have been raising them, for in about five minutes after the Monterey's 10-inch shot, a cloud of smoke arose from the bushes about 600 yards from abreast us and we heard a shell screaming over our heads, striking a Spanish wreck between us and the Cayite navy yard. That was close and a singer if ever there was one. We marked the place on the chart and going right in close to the beach we gave it to them hot and heavy. We were now within 400 yards of the beach, we could see men moving in the bushes, and all the people on board that were not busy got their rifles. They got mad at our

audacity and fired back, one bullet, striking a boat, passed through and struck a gun-mount about two feet from the captain. Well, we pumped it into them right and left till pretty near 10 o'clock, when old Victoria Manual, that is the name of the gun, or at least the name we give it, let drive at us again and landed about seventy-five yards from us, ricocheted over us and struck the crane in the navy yard and fell under them and was picked up by one of the officers in the yard. That was another singer and a warm one too. The captain thought it was too warm, and, as in that case, discretion was the better part of valor, he got out of that place in a hurry and asked the Monterey to put a few 10-inch shells in there, which she did and knocked them out for they did not fire on us again that day.

There is one thing certain, that is that we are too lenient with the natives. They let them pass in boats and in and out of our lines just so they don't wear soldiers uniforms. One fellow at Bacoor said he was standing outpost duty when two amigos, or friends, came close to him and was talking, when he noticed one native monkeying with his coat sleeve. He carefully worked the bolt of his magazine till he had a cartridge in, then with a quick movement brought his rifle up and was going to run the Filipino when an officer of his regiment saw him and made him let the Filipino go, but he got his knife as a relic. Other insurgents have been caught almost red-handed, and after giving them a feed let them go next morning because they said they were amigos and wore white clothes.

Your Affectionate brother,
Harry.

Guerin Holds Out.
New York, Aug. 24.—A dispatch to the Herald from Paris says: There is little to chronicle from Fort Chabrel, as the Parisians have now definitely christened the anti-Semitic stronghold.

Up to midnight the police have some difficulty in controlling the mob that surges round the street leading to the Grande Occident de France.

All down the street as far as the eye can reach can be seen nothing but black lines of soldiers, their bayonets glittering in the moonlight. In the middle of the street a group of officers with jingling spurs and clattering sabers are tramping wearily up and down, evidently heartily sick of their tedious task.

Anticipating an attack from the gendarmes occupying an adjacent house, M. Guerin, president of the Anti-Semite League, and his companions who are barricaded in the headquarters of the league poured petroleum in a room near the point from which the attack was expected, preparatory to setting it on fire. The anticipated move on the part of the officers, however, did not materialize.

Reed's Resignation.

Augusta, Aug. 24.—Reed's letter, resigning from congress, is as follows:

"Portland, Me., Aug. 9, 1899: To the governor of Maine, Augusta:

"I hereby resign the position of member of congress from the First district of Maine, to take effect on September 4.

Very truly yours,
T. B. REED"

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Hardy, the Official, Is Downed and Harvey, the Miner, Installed.

And The Nugget Rejoices Over the Victory as if It Were Its Own—Congratulations for an Honest Man Are Now in Order—The First Victorious Appeal—Many More Will Now Undoubtedly Go to Ottawa.

Good, and good again. Private advices received in Dawson show at last the dilatory righting of the biggest jobbery that ever emanated from a gold commissioner's office, notoriously the hotbed of such jobs. Our readers will remember the Nugget expose of the awarding to an official of a valuable piece of ground on Gold Hill which had been persistently and for months occupied by and refused to an honest miner. It was the infamous case of

Harvey vs. Hardy.

The story must be retold in order to fully appreciate the infamy which is now squashed. Hardy, an employee of the government stationed at Dawson; Madden, the mining inspector himself; Riley, another attache of the government; Hinton, another attache, and various other employes of the government, in September last ousted the rightful claimant to the ground in question, and with the sanction and approval of the then gold commissioner deliberately jailed the man for sticking up for his rights. The police and all were called into requisition to enforce the mandates of the gold commissioner, and now it is declared on the highest authority in the land that the ground was always poor Harvey's. Harvey brought a protest before Gold Commissioner Senkler and was decided against. And now

Senkler Has Been Reversed.

and the wicked plot of the government employes to rob a poor defenseless miner has fallen to the ground, because of the aggressive stand taken first by The Nugget and afterwards by Attorney Woodworth for the defrauded man.

But listen to the story of the scheme, and then see if The Nugget is not correct in calling the old gold commissioner's office a hot-bed of corruption.

In the month of September, a year ago, Gold Hill claims were 100x100 feet. Harvey prospected and located the ground. Surveyor Gibbons was engaged to survey the ground, and proved it to be vacant and a full-sized claim. Harvey put in his stakes right behind the surveyor and applied for a certificate of record. From the 16th to the 24th the office stood him off, and Harvey had to return and relocate the ground so that the 10 days of grace between staking and recording might not expire. The ground had become known as valuable, and a record was still refused. Fawcett and Ogilvie were appealed to in vain, for the pair of them were blind to their plain duty in the case. At last Harvey notified all parties that he was going back to the ground to work it and would remain on it until removed by force.

One Month Afterwards.

Fawcett's office issued a grant to the ground to Thomas W. Hardy. Another month elapsed before the conspirators summoned up sufficient courage to officially dispossess the hard-working Harvey, who was sinking and working like a Trojan. Harvey was ordered to quit by the inspector, and

was afterwards hauled to town and jailed for refusing. However he was liberated without a trial and returned to his ground to find it being worked by clerk Hardy's men. And now it turns out that Hardy's illegal interest in the ground is divided up amongst a whole nest full of officials, not the least being the inspector of mines, Madden, and Thomas Reilly, the gentleman whom Ogilvie thinks so much of that he has honored him above all others by making him a special emissary to Ottawa to carry the results of that farcical royal investigation of last winter.

Then Harvey protested through The Nugget and through his attorney, but when the case was finally allowed to come to trial before Commissioner Senkler that gentleman decided in favor of his fellow officials, and poor Harvey was almost discouraged. However, his attorney appealed to Ottawa and made such strong representations of the many palpable frauds being practiced in the case that the Minister of the Interior has been forced to decide against both Fawcett and Senkler and put the gang out in the cold, so far as this particular ground is concerned.

And now what becomes of all these squabbles over the ground between the officials themselves? Interests are claimed in the ground to the extent of some sixteen fifths, a manifest absurdity which shows dishonorable acts somewhere.

It is really a cause of great rejoicing that at last the stench of the Yukon scandal has been made so prominent that even the Ottawa government is forced to desert its creatures at this place and let them sink or swim for themselves. There is victory in the air and many a despondent miner defrauded of his holdings now wishes he had joined hands with The Nugget and the others engaged in exposing official crookedness.

A letter read at the royal investigation was from Ottawa to Fawcett and assured him that all his decisions would be upheld at the capital unless they became too rank entirely. We may opine from this that the decision in the Harvey affair was even too rank for the case-hardened members of the governor's council.

A Lodge Room.

The undersigned wants tenders from the owners or managers of halls suitable for a lodge room.

A. F. GEORGE, Nugget Office. Special Deputy of the Arctic Brotherhood.

Notice of Flyer Line.

The firm of Nels Peterson & Co., has been this day dissolved. Mr. David H. Pingree having withdrawn therefrom and having sold to me all his interest in said firm as well as in the above company. All debts owing to the firm are payable at the Dawson office.

NELS PETERSON.

Dated Dawson, Sept. 5th, 1899.

Pocket memo books, counter blotters, time books, pens, pencils, ink, mullage, paper fasteners, letter paper and writing tablets for sale at Nugget office.

A Distinguished M. P. in Town.

The Hon. D. C. Fraser, a member of the Liberal government from Nova Scotia, is in the Klondike district, and is now touring the creeks with the late Mining Inspector McGregor. Mr. Fraser is a strong man with his party, has held several lucrative offices, and could have another for the asking. This being so, we trust he will take off his party spectacles and see things as they really are, and not with the bias of a man bound to defend his party's acts, no matter how inexcusable. A Liberal member with a personal knowledge of affairs at Dawson, and a not too fine perception of truth to prevent a distortion of facts to party purposes, would just now be almost invaluable. The Yukon scandal grows apace, and it is in Mr. Fraser's power to do the country much good by proper representations just at this particular time. We trust he will overlook party in advocating relief from the present oppressive legislation, in which case the whole country will rise up and call him blessed.

POLICE COURT ITEMS.

Col. Steele let off E. Smith, but told him to throw no more garbage on the water front.

Emil Stauf was fined one dollar and costs for discharging firearms within the city limits on last Sunday.

Vera Holmes plead not guilty to a charge of being an inmate of a house of ill-fame. Her case will be tried the latter part of the week.

J. G. Purdue is charged by G. W. Hansborough with stealing a roll or two of tar paper, but the affair promises to resolve itself into a civil suit.

W. T. Garrett has charged H. J. Coates, of No. 4 below Lower Dominion of stealing pay dirt from the claim of complainant. The case will be decided tomorrow.

Alexander Dierkes has charged A. D. Osburn with the theft of four horses, three pack saddles, two riding saddles, and two blankets. The case was tried before Col. Steele, on Monday, and judgment reserved till 2 o'clock the following day.

Joseph Cook accuses Martin A. Phillips with a shovel, three picks and two axe handles, and also with stealing a pocket-book containing accounts and vouchers. Phillips has pleaded not guilty, and the issue will be tried some day during the week.

George De Lion, of West Dawson, is desirous of experiencing the feelings of a prosecuting witness, and has accused Dan Stuart of stealing a monkey wrench. Dan was arrested, and, pending trial, was liberated on his own recognizance. The police do not expect that he will appear when the case is called.

The following suits for wages have been instituted in Col. Steele's court: C. R. Staples against Frank King, the painter, for \$331; David Wilson against John Lemen for \$39; Dan B. MacNeill against Murray S. Eads for the sum of \$800; Morris Marks against J. F. Reilly for \$40; Ben Sonoquinn against Grottscher et al. for \$86.85.

Last June, on a creek six miles this side of Lake Teslin, A. H. Anderson and H. E. Hudson were robbed of a box of carpenter tools, provisions and camping outfit. They suspect a man named Brown of the crime, and have caused the issuance of a search warrant, by the aid of which they expect to recover their property from aboard a raft, now lying at Klondike City.

Mrs. A. Larson charges that on last Monday, A. S. Courtney committed a nuisance in the vicinity of Mrs. Larson's cabin on Second street, and in the presence of the little daughter of Mrs. Larson; the mother remonstrated, and Courtney struck her with his fist. A warrant has been issued for Courtney's arrest, but thus far, he has been successful in evading the officers.

George Williams, a desperate character, who has been under suspicion for some time past, and who has been in jail two or three times during the last four months, was arrested the latter part of last week, and convicted of carrying concealed weapons; he was fined \$50 and costs, in default of payment of which he will be obliged to saw wood for the next two months.

Pocket memo books, counter blotters, time books, pens, pencils, ink, mullage, paper fasteners, letter paper and writing tablets for sale at Nugget office.

Private dining and wine rooms at the Cafe Royal.

City Messenger service. The Nugget Express. Office in the Aurora block.

PERSONAL MENTION.

Mrs. George Hunter, of 9 below Bonanza, was visiting Dawson friends last Tuesday.

Georgie Grant has departed for Nome, with the intention of going on to Seattle if Nome should not prove promising.

The Victorian brought in Mrs. C. A. Johnston and child, and now Johnston is traveling up and down Sulphur with a smile from ear to ear.

Jim Hall, who went to Whitehorse several days ago, has made investments in some copper properties in that vicinity. It is not expected that he will return here for about two weeks.

Frank Simons, who since the fore part of June has had a one third interest in the Opera House, will withdraw from the business on Thursday morning. He and some of the members of the Opera House troupe will go outside on the next trip of the Reindeer, of which boat Mr. Simons recently became part owner.

The Victorian came in Tuesday morning with the following passengers: Mr. Stainfield, C. S. Nelson, H. E. Pape, Mr. Dalzair, C. W. Harps, Mrs. Millish, Mr. Milrish, Mr. Keath, Miss Gates, C. G. Sanford, L. A. Mason, F. Monaganil, H. Vanderhad, A. P. Wallace, Dr. Millne, Miss Cormon, Mrs. Walters, Constable Fiddler, Mrs. Gray, George Bartlett.

John Cudihoe, ex-United States deputy marshal at Skagway at the time "Soapy" Smith was killed, arrived in Dawson last Sunday on the Philip B. Low. Since a year ago last August Mr. Cudihoe has devoted his time and energy to prospecting property in the Atlin district. He is disappointed with Atlin, and being interested in some mining property in this district has come here with the intention of remaining for the winter.

The Nugget Express will cash money orders issued by any of the outside express companies. Office in the Aurora block.

FOR SALE.

FOR SALE—Two 25-horse power boilers and hoists, apply this office.

WANTED.

A YOUNG lady wants place as cook on creek. Call at Nugget Office.

LOST AND FOUND.

LOST—Strayed or stolen, red cow three large teats, one small one, branded "X" on right hip. Liberal reward for return to No. 2 Forty-nine gulch. R. C. Gardner.

FOUND—Short-haired yellow dog, black breast, white streak down throat. I X L Road-house, 3 below Hunker.

FOUND—On Bonanza, a large brown dog, owner can have same by calling at Abbot & Curtis, Grand Forks.

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THE FRENCH RESTAURANT, cor. Third St. and 3rd ave. Open all night. Regular \$1 dinner from 12 to 8. Meals sent out. Delicious French pastry a specialty. Breakfast 25c.

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MINERS' HOME—Coffee and Lunch Parlors, confectionery, cigars and fruits; neat and homelike; pure cream and high grade coffee a specialty. Mrs. M. Morgan, prop., cor. Third and Third st. BOYD'S 25c. Lunch Counter, Second ave., opp. Criterion; next P. O. entrance also from First ave.; big stack of hot and coffee, 25c.; corned beef, tea, coffee or milk, 25c.; sandwiches and coffee, 25c.; ham and eggs, or steak and eggs and coffee, 75c.

BLACKSMITHS.

OSBER & HAWLEY, Third ave. south, bet. 3d and 4th sts.; blacksmithing, machine wagon and sleigh work done promptly at low prices; scientific horseshoeing a specialty.

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LAWYERS
WADE & AIKMAN—Advocates, Notaries, etc. Office, Bonfield Building, opposite A. C. Store, Dawson.

BURRITT & MCKAY—Advocates, Solicitors, Notaries, etc. Offices, A. C. Office Building, Safety deposit box in A. C. vaults.

TABOR & HULME—Barristers and Solicitors, Advocates; Notaries Public; Conveyancers. Offices, Green Tree Bldg.

CLEMENT, PATTULLO & RIDLEY—Advocates, Barristers, Notaries, Conveyancers, etc. Money to loan. Offices, First Avenue.

PHYSICIANS AND SURGEONS.

DR. J. WILFRED GOOD, M. B., S. R. C. P.—Edinburgh; late surgeon to Winnipeg General Hospital; medical health officer for Dawson; Large and varied supply of glasses. Office Room 11 Fairview Hotel, telephone 24.

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