## THE DAILY KLONDIKE NUGGET.

## BELL'S <br> REASONS <br> For Refusing to Allow the Pub lication of Items Respecting Official Buśsiness.



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lime that of any other paper published betice Juneau and the North Pope.
fawcett's tiantle. The mantle of the late lament ed and unhappily distinguished Thomas Fawcett has fallen, apparently, upon the shoulders of he new assistant gold commis sioner, and fits as though made orde
Mr . Bell's opinions as to th methods which should govern a public official in the performance of his duties are outlined in his statement to a representative o this paper, viz: "I am going to run my office for the benefit the public, and against the news papers. Business transacted here is private business, and will not be diselosed except by written order of the parties concerned.'
Anyone, to read the above might well imagine that Mr. Bel had drawn the inspiration for his policy by sitting at the feet and drinking in wisdom from the lips of the immortal Fawcett.
The Nugget submits to the very public which Mr. Bell avers he is so anxious to protect that his course is diamatrically op posed to the general interests, and in direct conflict with the accepted usages which prevai the world over in offices similar to the one over which he pre sides.

Mr. Bell states that the busi ness of the gold commissioner': office, such as the daily record of transfers, is private and that the public is not entitled to such information.

## We deny it.

To whose interest is it that the records should be kept secret Who will profit by shutting the public out from all knowledge oi business transacted in the gold commissioner's office ?
If anyone profits, it will be the man who has gotten hold of property through questionable cealin' erty is a discreditable one

> case in point: Jehn Doe owes Richard Roe $\$ 5,000$. He has secured this accommodation as well as credit with various fact thes houses, by reason of the fact that he is the owner of

His creditors
ng as they do not worry as long as they know him to be the owner of the claim. Mr. Doe however, suddenly finds that he needs money, and executes a bil of sale of his property to a third party as security for an advance of $\$ 10,000$. Mr. Bell has decreed that the record of the transac vion shall be kept inviolate in the musty tomes of the gold commissiouer's office. Time goes on. Mr. Doe is unable to redeem his claim, and it passes into the hands of the third party, and the other creditors get nothing.

The question arises in such a ning his office in the interests o the public or has he been run ning it in the interests of $\mathrm{Mr}_{\text {r }}$ Doe?
Again, it is a well known fac corred by perties who bee gecured by parties who gave up quarter and half interests for the their ground. Naturally parties have no particular desire
to see theif names in print when STROLLER'S COLUMN they complete their deal, and,
consequenty, Mr. Bell wif have consequently, Mr. Bell wifl have their approval in placing a padock upon the various sources of information in the gold commissioner's offiee. This is what the assistant commissioner calls efit of the public, and against the newspapers."
With a single sweeping order Mr. Bell has placed the gola commissioner's office in the same commissioner's oftice in the same position before the public that it
held held eighteen months ago.. Secrecy begets suspicion as noth-
ing else can or does. Mr. Bell ing else can or does. Mr. Bell
has said that the public shall not has said that the public shall not Enow what the public records
contain, and the pubtic immediately and logically concludes that Mr. Bell's motive in taking this Wetion is an ulterior one.
Wittingly or unwittingiy, the new assistant gold commissioner
has placed a stigma upon his office which will not be erased so long as this tatest ruling remains in effect.

Attention has been called hese columns to the necessity of enclosing the houses of 'ill fame pants of these dens should be compelled to keep themselves hidden from the view of passers. by on adjoining streets, and this can only be done by corralling them with a high board fence. Ladies and chídren are con stantly passing to and fro on Third street, and they should be protected from the necessity of
looking upon these creatures. Vice of this kind is bad enotish under any circumstances. but when it brazenly flaunts itself before the public gaze it should be promptly suppressed.

## The Koyukuk country is again

 coming forward with a bid for tampeders. From all indications, something has been found around the headwaters of that stream, although no information is at hand whichowill justify any theng in the nature of a rush. In summer time boats can run up tance of the reputed a short dis the new diggings. the new diggings. A prospecting trip then will ing trip then will be a compara-
tively easy matter. At the present tine any attempt to reach the scene of the reported strike would be nothing mire nor less than foolbardy.

The stearn thawer as a means of placing ice clogged sewers in working order has proven emi nently successful. The work has wen conducted by the authori ties most expeditiously and with ery satisfactory results. In hort fime the how will be preter, well drained of stagnan combined will quickly dry the treets. With quickly dry the cised in the use of water, there cised in the use of water, there
should be no fear of a typhoid hould be no fear of a typhoid
or other similar epidemic this or other
spring.

The fact that the governmen will soon begin actual construc on work on the new postoffice duilding is welcome news. It has required considerably ove welve months to bring abou his very desirable action, but it is better that it should come late than never at all.

Same old pr
at the Regina.
 "This ruling of the assistant gold ommissioner to not let the papers get a
hance to publish the public-records regarding mines suits me to a 'TY ", said a well-known mining broker in the
hearing of the Stroller last night. "Let me tell you," continued the
broker, "tive newspapers, by publishing the records of trausfers bas knocked me out of many a good sale, and a corre-
spondingly good commission for the pendingly good commission for the
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papers that claitis are selling in tit papers that claimiss are selling in his
locality and he mmediattel: sticks the price up.
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going un in his locality? If it had not going un in his locality? If it had not
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commissiouer's office during the past winter I could have been worth sereral
housdnd dollars more today than I am. thoustnd dollars more today than I am.
"OOnly a few days ago I walked to the Forks fur the purpose of getting an op
ion on a claim. I knew jist could sell it: in fact, har the sale
fixed, and would have made seve get beat me to the Forks and in was published the miving transfers for
three or four days previous. The owne of the claim was reading the very article
when I found him, and by it he saw Hat other claims in the near vicinity
of his' were changing hands. He declined to deal with me until he looked
lio the matter. The result of this loot ing into the matter is that today he really several times more than I could
have bought it tor had he not learned to read when a toy.

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 May Be Made From the PresentOf the Number of Residents in Dawson and the Entire Yukon DisThe work of census exumerating in the city of Dawson has been completed,
and one of the officers who was interestand one of the ofjcers who was neres-
ed in the work gives it as his opinion
that fully two-thirds of the residents that fully two-thirds of the residents
vere seen and "taken" but he does not think to exceed that proportion was The unofficial report from the city servative estimate- places the number of actual residents rom 7500 to 8000 .
However, a sufficient number of peoThe were seeu to demonstrate that the
purpose for which the muvernent was To find out if there were over 500 British subjects in the district. That there
are many times 500 bas been proven by are many tumes 500 has been proven by
the fact that of the 5166 people in Dawson, between 1000 and 1300 are British
ubjects. There is now no donbt in the subjects. There is now no dobbt in the
minds of anyone that there are 3000 British subjects in the district, and that they are entitled to all the benefits of a free and selt-governed people,
Reports from the creeks
Reports from the creeks and other
parts of the district have not yet been parts of the district have not yet been
received, but it is safe to assert that the received, but it is safe to assert that the
proportion of Britains fuund in the city will not be lessened by the reports receiven from these latter places.
By the end of next week it is expect-
ed that all the returns will have been submitted and that an official repor

Palace Captures the Town. The Palace Grand as usual was pack to the doors last night and the pop of
the champagne cork could be heard during the whole of the performance mingled with the hilarious outbursts of
applause as the different artists were encored again and again.
A splendd entertainment is on this
week, and particularly attractive are the week, and particularly attractive are the
vitiscope pictures which are thrown vitiscope pictures which are thrown
uDun the caitain illustrating motto songs as sung
the compang.
After the show Dick Case and Pat Mailoy gave a clever exhibition wit the gloves which lasted is rounds
Both men evidently tried hard to restrain the impetuosity of their blows as they are on very friendly terms, and the go being an exhibition of boxing ten-round Maifoy will meet Smith in a could not afflord to take chances unde the circumstances with Dick. The the audiezce to a man.

A Warning to Kruger. London, March $15 .-\mathrm{Mr}$. Baifour, the house of commons tuday, replying
to Siz Henry Campbell-Bannerman, the opposition - who asked whether, in ances at peaceable meetings cafter to disenss South Afrioan affairs, or direet el against the persons and property o
individuals because of therr war opin fons, the government would cause a inquiry as to how tar and by whom the disturbances were organized and wha steps would be taken to vpreent thei recurrence-said that every case of dis-
turbance had been examined and turhance had been examined and tha spontmueous. He added that the govthe responsibility reste the heated state called the meetings in They should be careful lest they The reply was regarded as could give. The reply was regarded as unsatistac moved an ddjuurnment with a view o raising a discussion of the question He ssid he regretted the necessity o four wonld, show had expected Mr. Balfour would show that the government
unqualifedly disapproved of the dis whu had not asked for his advice.
Sur William Vernou Harcourt, Li eral, supported the motion to adjourn. He declared that Mr, Balfour's answer
disconaked the right of public meetings. Br. Balfour reiterated that pro-Boers were not justified in forcing their ideas, which though possibyy all right, were agreeabie to the majority of the nthing fircomeitent with the sain tiples of free specth, and asserted that the government would do its best to sef
that the right of free speech in every



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Kruger had been warned that he and
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the usages of civilized communities pOLICE COURT NEWS.
POLICE COURT NEWS.
A dog fight in the Palace Grand last
fight was the cause of the police conrt







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he court during its progress A Sne
of 820 and costs was moposed on West. At number of wage cases which weere
this after noon.
A number of gamblers, plead guilty
and paid the usual fine, $\$ 50$ and costs. Easter Sunday Services.
$\qquad$ m . and $7: 30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. : class meeting. 1
p. m. ; Sunday school and Bible e p. m. ; Sunday school and Bible class,
3. p. m.; Epworth League, $6: 30 \quad$ p. m.
Suhject of evening discourse, andect of evening discourse, Jesus
the Crist". The choir will renier the
following selections in the morning "The King of Love My Shepherd Is," Shelley: "God of the Morning, X"
Smith: "Hear Me, Jehovah," Perkins. Smith; "Hear Me, Jehovah," Perkins,
In the evening: "Choir Angelic,",
Hanscom: "The Lord Is My Shepb Hanseom; "The Lord Is My Shepb
erd," Perkins; "Consider the Lalies,
Tupliff." A. E. Hetherington, pastor. Ladies Scramble For Hats.
An amusing and interesting scene oc
curred last night at the store recentl opened by J. P. McLeennan near the the
Holborn. This gentleman has recently Holborn. This gentleman has recently,
arrived in Dawso wwith stok of ladies
goods and a particularly striking selec-
 hibited in all their feminine attractive
ness in the front of the store. A layg
pank was supported across the door pank was supported acruss the door
by two emply barrest, as the store was
freshly painted and not open for busi-
ness at the time ness at the time.
Some adventur sire for a new spring bonnet tuppermos
in her mind, observing the display forced ber way to the doons and entered.
Soon other ladies got a glimpse of the
fotunte fortunate one, who could be observe,
throukb the windows in an estacy o
delight, as she tried on one bonnet afte another and each, of course, looking
better than the one before. Aerter that the higb plank, had no ter
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the ladies as they scrambled over. under
and around the hated obstruction was a
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broke loose. The ladies insisted on
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such time as the frightened proprietor such time as the frightened proprieto
could wait tupon them. This scene con
tinued for several hours, and would in all probabitity le dupplicated today
under the same circumstances. For the nder the same circumstances, For the
benefit of our femmine readers, we can assure them that the obstruction ha
heen removed and the store open for Considerable Farmer Wanted. Considerable merriment was created Aurora, the innocent attraction an cause being a Champion hay rake,
product of Dayton, $O$. The wheels roduct of Dayton, $\boldsymbol{O}$. The wheels of agriculture were in their proper posiions, hut many of the lesser, but very mportant parts, were mipsing. only
wo teeth were in evidence, the other aving probably been lost in transit. While there was nothing about th rake to create amusement the theories
advanced by members of the advanced by members of the crowd
were highly entertaining. Every man were highly entertaining. Every man icinity on a train, or had a relative subject' to hay fever, knew just wh parts of the machine were missing wht when he undertook to explain bere they belonged he wöld invani
bly get into deep water and call dow ably get into deep water and call, down
upon himself the derision of the crowd Many who came along lid not know what it was; one man, a lawjer, re
marking that be did not know that track sulkies were built so wide.
An-old man who came to the country with Jack McQuesten said if it had
more teeth in it he would like to buy for a hair brush.

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t it s sot igged fot working dogs. Tis not -igged fot working dogs.
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neer Drug Store. Silver shield apricots 50 cents a ca
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