

CANADIAN INGERSOLL-RAND CO.,
LIMITED

Sunday Morning

May 30th 1926en route between Dawson and
Stewart City Y.T.

FILE NO.

Personal

TO

Gen Mgr

SUBJECT

My Itinerary & General Notes

Dear Mr Cylman: We arrived in Dawson City at 3³⁰ AM.~~DEAR SIR:~~

on Saturday morning in the broad daylight. I got up temporarily to see the town and then went back to bed.

Dawson City is on the right hand bank of the Yukon as you go down stream. It is built on level ground rising gently towards the back of the town and surrounded by hills or I suppose in height I should say mountains. The town is well laid out but all the buildings are of wood and today ~~all the~~ a great many of the houses and other buildings are vacant and the blinds drawn. There are wooden sidewalks everywhere. Towards the back of the town is the log cabin which belonged to Robert W Service. It is on rising ground with a view of the town and river. The big hotel near the steamer dock is called the Royal Alexandra. Its dance hall, now filled with billiard tables, was the largest in town in the days when one dance around the room cost \$1⁰⁰ plus the cost of two drinks at \$1⁰⁰ each or \$3⁰⁰ for each dance. On the grill work are carved the words Flora Dora and on the wall inside hangs a picture of thirteen beautiful ladies dressed after the fashion of Gibson girls the centre one with a little gold crown the rest of the row with the large picture hats of those days.

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In the afternoon I got E.E. Hickey Master Mechanic for Burrall & Baird Ltd, Dawson, to take me out to see a gold dredge

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TO Gen. M. J. Stewart

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General notes

Dear Mr. Stewart: We arrived in Dawson City at 3:30 AM. on Saturday morning in the dark daylight. I got up temporarily to see the town and then went back to bed. Dawson City is on the right hand bank of the Yukon on the south side of the town and surrounded by hills or towers the back of the town and surrounded by hills or a sufficient height to shield some mountains. The town is well laid out but all the buildings are of wood and today all the great many of the houses and other buildings are made of wood. The town is the largest in the Yukon which is a very good service. It is a very good service with a view of the town and river. The big hotel near the stream bank is called the Royal Alexandra. The hotel, bar, and the big when we have around the town at 11:00 plus the cost of two drinks at 11:00 or 11:00 for each drink. At the first work we carried the wood there here and on the

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1926
W. J. Stewart
Gen. M. J. Stewart
Dawson City
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To EWC

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This is the only Company operating this season with the exception of the New Northwest corp² which is a subsidiary owned by the same people. I was unable to see Andrew Baird manager. But Mr Wheeler mgr of the Bank of Commerce (got him on the telephone and) got permission for me to see the dredge. The dredge I saw is known as Canadian N^o 2. To get to it we drove in a Ford through the town and up the Yukon perhaps half a mile, then turned left up the Klondike passing the famous Bonanza Creek on our right perhaps a mile out and then continuing up the Klondike for another 3 miles. The dredge was floating in a little lake of its own making, about 500 feet wide and just the length of the dredge with a little clearance at each end. The main motor for operating the buckets was 300 Horse Power and the buckets dump 3 or 4 per minute. I think Hickey said they were 13 cu ft buckets and that the dredge would dig a bit of ground 35 ft deep by 500 feet wide by 200 to 300 ft long in a week. The gravel and boulders dump into an outward flow screen about 10 ft dia x 30 feet long. The big stuff under about 1 1/2" is discarded and is carried to a dump by a large travelling belt conveyor. The small stuff that falls through the screen is re-treated by water and gravity until finally only the heavy gold remains. I did not see the dredge in actual operation. Only the pumps were running discharging to an 8 or 10 inch pipe from which 2 1/2" pipes 35' long and vertical drove the water (cold) down to bed rock for the preparatory work of thawing the ground which seemed strange to think of.

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DEAR SIR:

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To E.W.G.

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Returning to town I had dinner with my Cousin Miss
Robertson and then spent an hour with the famous
Bishop Stringer, of Dawson who spent many years with
the ~~Esquimaux~~^{mos.} on Herschel Island. I left (my Cousin)
at Eskimos Dawson and got on the boat at about
11 o'clock but the people up here seem to never go to bed
in summer and we were saying good byes up until half
past twelve when I turned in although it is bright enough
to read easily at the time. At two o'clock Mr Wheeler
manager of the Bank of Commerce + the doctor and some
one else came and got me up again to say Good bye. They
were just returning from a bridge game and could not
understand why I had gone to bed so early. By that
time it was almost sunrise and of course much brighter
again. - so I slept until ten o'clock this morning.

In about an hour or two we shall be at the mouth
of the Stewart up which we sail for 2 1/2 days to get
to Mayo. We are said to be very fortunate as it is
expected that we will make direct connections at Stewart
with the Stewart River boat. These boats sail at about
ten miles an hour. The current is about 4 miles an
hour against us so that we make a net speed of
only about 6 miles an hour upstream. I don't
know when I shall get back to Whitehorse but I
suppose it will be 7 or 8 days. I think you might
show some of these letters to Mrs Whitehorse. I am afraid
I have not been doing so well for her. Met Mr
Thompson, friend of Mack Timmins on boat today - more later
E.S. Winslow

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