

ABSORPTION OF THE CLARK CLAIM.

Process Was Completed So Far as Dawson Authority Goes.

Gold Commissioner Senkler Decides That the Claim Cannot Remain as Staked—An Appeal to Ottawa Will Be Taken.

The gradual absorption of the so-called Clark claim at 26 below on Bonanza, the process of which was described in a late issue of the Nugget, was consummated on Saturday, when Gold Commissioner Senkler rendered his decision in the contest which had been waged before him for possession of the paystake. As has heretofore been shown, Mr. Clark recorded his hillside claim on July 11 last, at a time when there was no base line and no other claims on the hill. At that particular point the gulch takes a bend, and when Mr. Clark ran his lines "straight up the hill," as he did in his interpretation of the regulations, they were not at right angles with the "general" course of the stream as established later on by a base line drawn by Surveyor Gibbons. Mr. Clarke claims to have felt secure, however, because he had been assured by the then gold commissioner, Thomas Fawcett, that he could hold the ground he had staked. However, advantage was taken by Messrs. Johnson & Williston, who owned the adjoining claim, of the situation, and they ran their side lines straight through the Clark claim. Naturally, a suit followed, and Commissioner Senkler decided in favor of Messrs. Johnson & Williston. After sitting some of the foregoing history Gold Commissioner Senkler, in his decision, says:

According to the regulations, a hillside claim shall be 200 feet in length, with its base line parallel to the main direction of the stream or ravine on which it runs. Its side lines shall be parallel lines drawn from the ends of the base line at right angles thereto; and all placer claims shall be marked by two legal posts. When the direction in which the claim is to run from the base line is provided for in the regulations, back stakes are not required; and if placed by locator they would have no effect on the direction, in which the claim should run back from the stream.

The excuse which the original locator gives for the direction in which his claim runs back is a suru in the direction of the base of the hill takes at the point where he staked it toward Lovett gulch, and that by making the base line of this hill claim in the direction of the base of the hill at that point the ground he claims was nearly within two parallel lines drawn from each end of his base line at right angles thereto. From the general appearance of the creek at this point its main direction is fairly well defined; and, although Mr. Gibbons' base line was not there when Clark staked his claim, it has been run fairly in the general direction of the stream at that point, and there is no change in its course which, at certain points in the creeks, makes it doubtful in which direction the hillside claims should run, so that in this claim the owners are not taken by surprise.

If the Clark claim was allowed to run as claimed by plaintiffs it would cut through four hillside claims staked on its lower side, and thus deprive each of them of a fairly large portion of their ground. For this reason I think that the recorded owners of all these claims should have been made parties to this action, and as such is entitled to every consideration, and to all the ground the law allows them. Whether they are prior locators or not, they are only entitled to such ground as their location will give them under the regulations. If prior locators of hillside claims were allowed to run their side lines in any direction, they are inclined, or simply because the base of the hill where they staked happens to be running in any way other than at right angles to the general course of the stream, it would throw the hillside claims on all the creeks into a state of chaos.

I think the plaintiffs are not entitled to the ground they claim under Clark's location, as it would be contrary to the regulations to allow the side lines of hillside claims to be run otherwise than at right angles to the base line of the creek. Of course, they are not in any way deprived of their claim. They are entitled to run their lines at right angles to the base line and back 1,000 feet or to the summit of the hill. The plaintiffs' case is dismissed.

Messrs. McDowell and Hawkins believe that a higher authority will look differently on this matter, and will take an appeal to Ottawa.

Latest Steamship News. The steamer Rideout met with a serious mishap on her way to and from White Horse rapids. She was coming through the Five Fingers on her way down when she was carried into the middle channel and dashed against the rocks resulting in her guards being torn off and her gunwales badly torn. In the Thirty-mile, too, she struck the stern of the wrecked Domyville, which half closes the river, and was hung up for quite a time; however, she came through all right and her crew are prouder than ever of her.

The John C. Barr arrived from White Horse rapids on Monday afternoon, having on board Captain J. J. Healy, who was returning from an extended sojourn in the States and Canada, and his son, T. C. Healy, who went up with the boat to meet him. It was expected that the congressional party would be with them but the gentlemen reported that the party had been delayed in their arrival and the Barr had to come on ahead.

The Hannah took out about \$1,000,000 in dust, the major portion of it belonging to the A. C. Company.

The N. A. T. & T. steamer Cudahy, left for St. Michael on Monday afternoon.

The officers of the steamer Merwin are jubilant over their quick trip to White Horse rapids and return, which occupied only twelve days. Dr. Le Blanc, the purser, reports a successful trip in a business way.

The following testimonial regarding the Merwin's trip has been received at the Nugget office:

Editor Nugget:—We the passengers on the steamer "W. K. Merwin," en route to White Horse rapids from Dawson, hereby acknowledge the uniform kindness and courteous

treatment extended us by the officers, crew, and all connected with said steamer, especially our Pilot, Jack Green, who is without doubt one of the most competent on this route. The trip has been a most enjoyable one, having been made without accidents of any kind, while the meals served on board were all that could be desired. Signed—Mr. and Mrs. Hughes, Jack Stanley, Lt. J. F. Porton, J. Leonard, J. Roamy, Wm D Honeywell, Chas A Dunn, Chas E Worden, R J Dunn, C H Copeland, Geo C Worden, Wm S Mills, M B Lester, C E Benjamin, Ed Morris, F Rooney, S B Dunn, J F Hielacher, E L Prentie, Sam Haskin, Frank Fortier, F L Barbin, C Choinard.

The Florence S. left on Monday with a large list of passengers for White Horse rapids.

The steamer Rock Island, which wintered at Forty Mile, arrived in port on Tuesday morning.

The following constituted the passenger list of the steamer Rideout:—W. Parry, M. C. Charlton, Jas. Hill, I. H. Hanton, A. Guthrie, C. G. Colman, H. C. Burke, Mrs. E. Towle, Leta McDonald, Dr. and Mrs. Dees, Constable F. C. Spence, Constable F. R. Constantine, E. W. Sandison.

The Flyer line people claim that the Eldorado, on her last trip up river, earned the distinction of being the only steamboat to ascend the Five-Finger rapids this spring, unassisted by a line or another boat, and that her achievement won her a round of applause from passengers who saw it from other boats.

No more \$1.00 sugar and \$2.00 butter if you order through the Yukon Outfitting & Express Co., Room 9, Bodega block.

LOCAL BREVITIES.

Mr. L. D. Fell, the A. C. Co.'s agent at Seventy-Mile, who made a brief sojourn in this city last week, reports that nine creeks are being operated in his district, and that everybody who has worked will make wages, if not better.

J. H. Taylor and L. E. Campbell had a successful hunting experience, 150 miles up the Klondike, last week, bagging three moose, weighing 1,200 pounds, that netted them 50 cents a pound. The 65 mile drop down the river in a Peterborough canoe was accomplished in just six hours and was highly exhilarating.

Another picnic party to the top of the hill back of town was given on Thursday night under the auspices of the Epworth League of the Methodist church. The picnicers were not rewarded with a sight of the far famed midnight sun, as was hoped, but an exceedingly enjoyable time was had to recompense them for the difficult walk. A program of entertainment was had, consisting of addresses by Mr. Gilbert, W. W. Cosper and F. M. Shepard; a vocal solo, with banjo accompaniment by Edward Rogers; a song and cornet solo by A. A. Cobb; congregational singing, sung by a male quartette, etc. A nice repast served by the ladies was not the least interesting of the many features of entertainment.

Will party having in charge goods addressed to Joe Brand please leave same at Yukon saw mill.

Tin and granite ware at J. H. Holme & Co.'s, opposite Fairview Hotel.

Water filters and coolers at J. H. Holme & Co.'s. Drink pure water and be healthy. Opposite Fairview.

Lay to Let.

A party with a steam trowel can get a good lay on Monte Cristo Hill. Ground has been prospected, and paystake is in sight. Apply to C. E. Williams, at Bonfield's saloon.

Frank Simons fairies are the rage in Dawson, as is attested by crowded houses nightly. Have you seen them?

New faces, new costumes, new music, new songs, new sketches, new scenery—everything new at the Opera House.

The handsomest entertainment hall in Dawson is the Opera House. The statement stands unchallenged.

Now Open.

The Stockholm baths, with all modern improvements; Turkish, plain, and the great fever and scurvy destroyer and skin beautifier, the spruce steam baths. Male and female attendants. Also scientific and facial massage, shampooing, hairdressing and manicuring. Hours from 12 noon to 12 midnight, Saturdays excepted, when baths will be kept open until Sunday noon. Second avenue, between First and Second streets, one block south of Cafe Royal. Mrs. A. Wilson, proprietress.

The Central meat market will be reopened on Second avenue opposite the Pioneer drug store, on or about June 28, by Billy Webb, where he will be pleased to meet his many friends and customers.

Don't miss seeing the Twenty Female Extravaganza Co., novelty, talent and beauty are predominate features. The latest outside successes.

The Opera House—synonym for all that is best in the entertainment line in Dawson.

See the new consignment of men's suits, negligee shirts, underwear, hats, hosiery, etc. H. Hershberg, first door south of Madden House, Front street.

The Yukon Outfitting and Express Co. are the only firm purchasing outfits on a commission basis. Room 9, Bodega block; also Forks Bonanza and Eldorado.

Excellent meals and first-class accommodations on the Flyers.

Don't miss the grand opening of the Opera House theatre Thursday night, June 22.

Finest fresh meats in the city. Hales & Vroom; new store, Second avenue.

Buy your outfit on the outside. Secure fresh goods at low prices. The Yukon Outfitting and Express Co. do the business. Room 9, Bodega block.

Don't forget the grand drilling contest, Monte Carlo theatre, July 4.

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The Seattle market, Hales & Vroom, proprietors, is now open with a full stock of fresh meats. New location, Second avenue.

The Banner House has removed to 2nd Ave., 2nd door north of Royal Cafe, and are now serving the best meal in Dawson for 75 cents. First class lodging house in connection. Your patronage solicited.

Cafe Royal. Second Avenue. The Only First Class Cafe in Dawson. PRIVATE DINING ROOMS AND WINE PARLORS UPSTAIRS. Open Day and Night. J. L. TIMMINS, Sole Owner.

The "KOZY" ICE CREAM PARLORS. DORA GEORGE, Proprietor. YOUR PATRONAGE SOLICITED. Second Avenue, bet. Second and Third Streets.

DAWSON'S FINEST THE CRITERION (New Family Theater). Best Brands Wines, Liquors and Cigars. Hotel and Club Rooms. If you want to Buy Groceries and Provisions at LOWEST MARKET PRICES GO TO JAMES E. BOOGE, YUKON HOTEL.

Bennett Lake and Klondike Navigation Co. The Swift Steamers. ORA, NORA, AND FLORA. Will Sail Weekly for White Horse, Bennett and War Points. Through Connections to all Coast Points. The First Boats to Leave for Up River. For further particulars, rates, etc., call at office, Second St., opp. Bank B. N. A.

The Red Front The Popular... Clothing House. LEISER & HAMBURGER, Proprietors. CLOTHING AND GENTS' FURNISHINGS. Front Street, next to Madden House.

THE OLD RELIABLE Fastest Steamer on the Yukon PIONEER BOAT. STEAMER WILLIE IRVING. Connecting with Steamer Bailey, the finest and swiftest boat on the upper lakes. For Rates and Passage Apply to STAUF & ZILLY, Agents, A. C. Office Bldg.

COLUMBIA NAVIGATION COMPANY—OPERATING RIVER STEAMERS—"MONARCH" and "SOVEREIGN" Through Connections with all Points on Pacific Coast. For Freight Rates, Passage etc. apply to FRANK J. KINGHORN, Agent, Yukon Dock.

HAIRDRESSERS. MRS. LUEDERS, of San Francisco, has established hair dressing parlors on Second Ave., four doors north of Pioneer hall.

LOST AND FOUND. FOUND—Black, long eared Malamoot dog, at Grand Forks. Apply R. X. McArthur, 10 Ready Bullion, and prove property.

LOST—A mackintosh cape, with brown velvet collar. Return to this office. Reward given.

LOST—At opening of Opera house, nugget pin weighing about 3/4-oz; finder please return to Seattle restaurant; reward.

FOUND—Pocketbook and papers, on Hunker, belonging to Theodore Nessler; apply at this office.

BATHS. NEPTUNE Baths and Lodging-House. Cattie Vaughn, prop. Second ave., next door to Water Works, Grand Forks.

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

C. M. WOODWORTH, M. A., L.L.B., Advocate Solicitor, Commissioner, Notary, etc. Five years' practice in Northwest Territory. Room 3, A. C. Office Building.

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, &c. Money to loan. Offices, First Avenue.

H. C. LISLE—Barrister and solicitor, of England and Canada, conveyancer; Notary Public; 27 years practice. Pacific hotel.

BELCOURT & McDOUGAL—(N. A. Belcourt, M. P. Q. C., Frank J. McDougal) Barristers, Solicitors, etc. Rooms 1 and 2 Chisholm Block. Special attention given to Departmental work at Ottawa.

DENTISTS. DR. E. B. MERCHANT—Dentist; crown and bridge work a specialty. Office, new location, over Pioneer Drug Store.

DR. W. A. RYSTROM—Chisholm block. Gold, crown and bridge work a specialty.

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