

RECEIVED BY WIRE. CALLAHAN ON TRIAL

At Omaha for Complicity in Kidnapping Millionaire Cudahy's Son.

BOY TELLS STORY OF HIS CAPTURE

And Recognizes Callahan's Voice as That of His Jailor.

LINE OF DEFENSE IS SHOWN

When the Packer Takes the Stand—Claim That Money Was Not Extorted, But Freely Given.

From Thursday and Friday's Daily. Omaha, April 25, via Skagway, May 2.—James Callahan, charged with kidnapping young Cudahy, is now on trial here. The boy told on the witness stand all about his being taken, the journey and how he was treated during the time he was kept a prisoner by his captors. He did not see his jailor but could hear him talk. He recognized Callahan's voice as being the same as that of his jailor. When Millionaire Cudahy, the boy's father, was put on the stand the defence showed its hand and the line on which it proposed clearing Callahan. The state held that robbery had been committed by extortion, and the defence held that Cudahy had given the \$25,000 without compulsion. Cudahy admitted that he gave up the money freely and without hope of getting it back. The trial will probably last for several days and the outcome is being anxiously waited.

He Wants to Know.

Editor Nugget: In the case of a fire occurring in this city, I am anxious to be informed by Hon. Maj. Woods if it is necessary for me to have a written authority from the owner of merchandise that may be moved from buildings threatened by fire so that he or they can care for them. It so happened at the fire which took place yesterday that I was asked by a merchant to look out for his goods. While doing so Inspector Primrose came along and asked me what I was doing. I informed him that I was taking care of my friend's goods. Then he ordered me to move on. Does it seem reasonable in the hurry and scurry of saving of goods during a fire that one should be clothed with written authority before they can look after goods being saved? R. M. BROWN.

To Gravel Streets.

Extensive improvements are soon to be made in Dawson's streets and sewerage systems. On the river flat opposite the barracks there is a bed of coarse gravel which is to be utilized in filling in and grading the streets. The work has already commenced on Mission street which is in very bad condition several loads having been hauled and the holes filled up. Several teams will soon be put to work on First, Second, Third and Fourth avenues and the cross streets and when the work is completed Dawson will have some fine streets. The sewerage system is also to be improved and drains will be extended to the foot of the hill and the whole flat back of the town will be drained thoroughly.

Concession Thrown Open.

A number of creek and hillside claims supposed to have been within the limits of the A. D. Williams concession on Hunker creek were yesterday thrown open for relocation by Assistant Gold Commissioner Bell. This includes all the claims subsisting at the time the closing order was posted in the gold commissioner's office on the 30th of September, 1899, so that all ground in the concession for which grants had been issued up to that time and which have since expired is now open to relocation. This was simply a question of interpretation of the lease of the concession and does not affect the other hydraulic concessions.

This will open for staking a large number of good claims both creek and hillside, on Hunker and a general stampede has already occurred to the ground in question. P. H. Crosby and C. C. McGregor of Dominion, Fred Enwall and son of Gay gulch, D. Macleod of Grand Forks, and Mrs. Brian of the Forks, are registered at the McDonald today.

DID RABIES KILL EWING?

Is Question Which Post Mortem Will Answer.

The most important question of the day is: Did Aaron R. Ewing, who died on Hunker creek yesterday morning, die of rabies as asserted by the attending physician, Dr. Clendinning? For the purpose of determining the true cause of death a post mortem examination of the remains is being conducted by Dr. McArthur and a number of other physicians at Green's undertaking parlors this afternoon, the body having been brought to the city from Hunker late this forenoon. It is possible that it will be a day or two before the result of the post mortem will be announced as great care will be exercised in the examination.

Considering the fact that never in the world's history has the presence of dogs supposed to be effected with rabies been so general and oft met as in this country within the past few months, and in view of the further fact that fully 100 people, perhaps double that number, in the district have been bitten by these presumably mad dogs, the death of a human being from a disease resembling hydrophobia will strike terror to the hearts of many people.

Many are loath to believe the doctor's opinion correct, and hope that the post mortem will develop a different cause for death.

Good Indian Now.

John Williams, one of the best known prospectors of this city and pioneer of 1882, arrived from Glacier Bay this morning and reports a desperate encounter with a crazy Indian which took place on April 2 at that point. Mr. Williams hired an Indian from this place by the name of Dick Dunn, who is noted for his physical strength, and only for the coolness and quickness of Mr. Williams the Indian would have killed him instead of being killed himself, after making several attempts to kill Mr. Williams.

Mr. Williams and all of his friends to whom he has related the circumstances and which is borne out in all its details, agree that the Indian was insane.

The story is as follows:

Mr. Williams started in a row boat with the Indian Dick Dunn, and when nearly to their destination and while his back was turned he was startled by the report of a rifle near his head and on inquiring why he shot, the Indian pointed over the bow saying that he had seen a seal. Thinking nothing of the occurrence notwithstanding the Indian put his head down between his knees and laughed in a very boisterous and peculiar manner, they proceeded to camp, when entering the tent to go to sleep he found the Indian drawing a rifle on Mr. Williams yelling, he said that he thought it was someone else as he had seen strange tracks.

The night passed without mishap and during the next day the Indian sharpened his knife with the remark that it was now sharp enough to cut Williams' neck with, this with other remarks caused Williams some uneasiness, and he could not sleep on retiring and after lying awake some time he heard the click of the Indian's gun. Raising to a sitting posture and inquiring what was the matter the Indian covered him and demanded his gun, remarking that it was Williams he was afraid of.

Realizing the past actions and remarks of the Indian, he swung his gun around so that the report of the Indian's two barrels and his one rifle shot sounded almost at the same time and before he could raise the Indian leaped upon him with his knife in hand. Williams who is a smaller man was completely smothered by the leap of the heavy Indian and for a time was completely helpless and would no doubt have had little show for his life had not his revolver come to his hand by the overturning of his bed clothes. Calling vainly to the Indian to desist and seeing no way clear to overcome the maniac, he placed the revolver to his breast and killed him, and after a trip of eleven days to this city in his boat, he gave himself up to await the inquest.

It is doubtful if any official inquiry will be made in the matter as Williams is a man who is well known as an honest prospector. —Jupena Dispatch.

Queen's Birthday Sports.

As a result of an interview with the Hon. Mr. Ross, commissioner for the Yukon territory, the convenors are advised that our late revered Queen's birthday will be held as a public holiday in Dawson, and with a view to holding the usual sports celebration on that day, the 24th of May, we hereby invite all interested to attend a general meeting to be held in the McDonald hall on Saturday evening, May 4th, at 8:30 p. m.

DONALD MAC GREGOR, WILLIAM E. BURRITT, THOMAS O'BRIEN, Convenors.

The Klondike river is gaining in volume hourly and it is only a question of a day or so when the ice will break.

RECEIVED BY WIRE. S. S. COMBINE BUSTED

Seattle, April 27, via Skagway, May 2.—The Seattle-Alaska Steamship Association has dissolved and the most bitter rate war in the history of local transportation is expected to follow. Second-class tickets to Skagway are today offered here for \$8, half the former price. Even before the association dissolved rate cutting had begun.

Freight rates are cut one-half. One company now offers to transport cattle at \$7.50 per head while association rate was \$20.

The situation is aggravated by the belligerent attitude of the Victoria and

Jim Hall Loses \$19,000

One of the largest gambling plays which ever occurred in Dawson came off last night in the Dominion saloon. Jim Hall, owner of No. 17 Eldorado, and well known as one of the Klondike's wealthiest claim owners, and Harry Woolrich and Frank Berry were the chief actors in the game which cost the first named the sum of \$19,000. Hall came to Dawson from his claim yesterday. It is said that before leaving he lost at the Forks a sum ranging in the neighborhood of \$5000. Last night he began playing in the Dominion with Woolrich and Berry in an effort, it is supposed, to recoup his losses at the Forks. The play continued nearly all night and at the wind-up Hall, as stated above, was loser to the amount of \$19,000. This is probably the largest individual loss ever sustained at one sitting in the history of Klondike poker playing.

SAVED BY ASBESTOS

The A. E. Co.'s Building Paper Held Flames in Check.

That the fire department did heroic work in saving the postoffice building from the devouring flames yesterday is beyond the shadow of a doubt to those who witnessed the event. That building was the key to the situation and if well started by the flames the chances were all in the favor of the fire fiend sweeping the city from end to end.

There is one factor, and a most important one as subsequent investigation developed, which had much to do with saving that building as a visit to the southeast corner the flames had actually eaten through the building, the moss burning the whole length of the upper story, and but for the fact that the rooms were completely lined with asbestos nothing could have stopped the flames from at least partially destroying the edifice with a strong possibility that the whole building would have been a total loss.

This asbestos building paper was introduced by the A. E. Co. and has been the means in a number of instances of keeping in check numerous incipient conflagrations until the arrival of the firemen.

BITTEN BY SAVAGE DOG

Axel Running Now Wears His Nose in a Sling.

Axel Running was very severely bitten by Murray Eads' wolfe-malamute dog Tuesday evening and as a result he now wears a close bandage over his nasal organ. Running is a young man who is employed around the Standard and Tuesday evening stopped to pet the dog which was lying in the yard in the rear of the Standard building. As soon as he touched the dog on the head the latter made a jump for Running's face, grabbing his nose fairly between his teeth which entirely penetrated that organ and, instead of relaxing his jaws to break away the dog tore loose, literally tearing away a portion of the young man's nose. Medical treatment was at once applied and so far no bad effects have been experienced, but Running's condition at the present time is by no means an envious one. So far as known the dog is not effected by rabies.

Terse and Gentle.

Most editors have their own special method of declining contributions, but for a terse and pointed rebuke we have heard of nothing better than the letter lately received by a well known author. As a rule, his stories are wholly unobjectionable, but in this particular case he gave himself a little more license than usual and produced a story which, though quite moral, was not altogether suitable for family reading. He sent it to a magazine editor with whom he was on friendly terms, and the manuscript was promptly returned with the following note:

"My Dear Sir—Oh, my dear sir! Yours faithfully, Westminster Budget."

WORTHY OF HIS HIRE

Laborer Collects Wages in Police Court.

In Magistrate Starnes' court this morning J. C. Nelson was awarded judgment amounting to \$154 against L. C. Anderson for labor performed on the latter's claim, No. 9 on Eureka. Nelson swore that he was to have his money when he quit work to get ready to go steaming and Anderson swore Nelson was to be paid at the cleanup. The court held that, contract or no contract, a man should receive his money when he is discharged, therefore judgment was given for the full amount.

The case of Mary Hemple charged with assaulting Anna Bloomer by pushing her in such a way as to cause her to fall over a bed, was set for hearing at 10 o'clock Saturday morning.

Geo. Dennison, charged with the theft of a scow, will have a hearing this afternoon.

A sawed off appearing gentleman named Maro alleged to have packed water for the Allman baths for 18 hours at 75 cents per hour and sued to recover \$2.50 due on account. Allman's evidence was that Maro had worked but 15 hours and had been paid in full. The case was dismissed.

STEAMER FOR KOYUKUK

Gold Star Will Make Trip When Ice Goes Out.

The steamer Gold Star, now in slough opposite the mouth of the Klondike will be the first boat to leave Dawson for the Koyukuk river. It will leave immediately the ice goes out and go as far as Peavy and if possibly to Bettles. Peavy is 650 miles from the mouth of the Koyukuk and Bettles, the farthest point yet reached by any steamer is 50 miles further.

Important improvements are now being made to the steamer. A new wheel 16 feet in diameter is being built, a new guard has been added and the vessel has been thoroughly overhauled and refitted.

Capt. Thos. Nixon is the sole owner and also master of the boat. He has secured skilled river men to handle the vessel and expects to make the trip in 10 days.

First class meals will be provided to all passengers alike, and Capt. Nixon being in charge himself, everything will be done with a view to the comfort and welfare of the passengers.

The fare will be \$125 first-class and \$100 second-class and reservations for passage can now be made on application to Wm. Meed, Agent, Yukon dock.

Needed Improvement.

Yesterday and today a force of workmen has been engaged in widening and otherwise improving the bridge spanning the slough, by fire house No. 2. The railing which formerly set off the narrow passenger walk has been removed and a new walk eight feet wide is being added to the original bridge on the east side. New plankings was put down today.

BREVITIES

PERSONALITIES.

Maurice Grau, the grand opera manager, is to write a book of reminiscences of the famous singers and composers he has known.

The only woman rabbi on record is Miss Rachel Frank, who had conferred on her this distinction by a Jewish church in San Francisco.

John C. Fremont, supervisor of the harbor of New York, who has just been transferred to the Asiatic squadron, is a son of J. C. Fremont, "the Pathfinder."

Lieutenant Hugh A. Drum is the youngest officer in the United States army. He is only 20 years old, and some of his fellow officers in the Twelfth Infantry are gray headed.

Ex-Governor George W. Peck of Wisconsin finds it impossible to live down his reputation as the author of "Peck's Bad Boy" and at the Democratic convention was popularly known as "The Boy."

Sir J. Gordon Sprigg, the new premier and treasurer of Cape Colony, was born at Ipswich and was the son of a Baptist minister. As was the case with Cecil Rhodes, ill health drove him to South Africa in 1868.

Henry B. Metcalfe of Rhode Island, Prohibition nominee for vice president, was born in Massachusetts 71 years ago. He has been the nominee of the Prohibition party for governor of Rhode Island several times.

Rd. E. A. E. Petzel of Cleveland recently wrote a poem on Germany, "To My Fatherland," in both English and German, which, when copied by the Berlin papers, brought him a congratulatory letter from Emperor William.

The late Professor C. A. Buchheim, professor of German at King's college, London, was one of those who made Dickens' name familiar in the fatherland. His translations of some of Dickens' novels into German have had an immense circulation.

When John Q. Gowdy, consul general to Paris, was about to depart to enter upon his duties, he asked Senator Hanna for some suggestions. "Shave off that goatee," was the senator's earnest reply. Hence the beard which was once famous is now no more, and Mr. Gowdy wears a smooth chin.

Oberammergau's oberburgermeister, Johann Lang is dead, after holding the office 24 years. He took a leading part in preparing and managing the Passion play and was Calaphas, the high priest, in the 1800 performance and every subsequent one till this year. His successor will probably be Johannes Meyer, the Christus of 1800.

The death of the grand vizier, Sir Hamed Ben Musa, has caused, in northern Morocco at any rate, no disturbance whatever among the natives. His successor is his cousin, Hadj Mukhtar Ben Abdallah. The new grand vizier, who is the son of a once well known governor of Fez, is a typical Moorish government official, in character as well as by descent.

THE GLASS OF FASHION.

Linen and pique gowns are trimmed with machine stitched ribbon bands.

White corselet belts of plaid ribbon are worn with either black or white gowns and are finished with mesh ends or not, as you like.

Black and white lace gowns are coming rapidly to the front for the matron's full dress, leaving the spangled nets quite out of the race.

Suede kid slippers in a variety of colors to match the gowns are worn this season. Some of the more fancy kinds show a trimming of gold braid.

A novel feature of parasol handles in England is the head of some general fighting in South Africa, either carved in wood or wrought out in silver or gold.

Handsome embroidered ecru batiste made up over pink silk constitutes one of the prettiest bridesmaid's gowns seen this season. Insettings of lace may be added for greater elegance.

The craze for fancy handkerchief squares of silk has assumed a new form since the fad for waists made of these squares broke out in the spring, and they are used as a hat trimming, being draped softly around the crown with the corners falling in short ends over the brim at the back.

Russian linen in the ecru shades is used for yachting and golfing gowns, which are made without any lining. The short skirts have stitched hems, tucks down either side of the front and one box plait in the back, and the jackets are Eton in shape, with short bell sleeves worn over a colored shirt waist. —New York Sun.

HARD TO DISCOVER.

Where can we find—

A ring that will fit the finger of fate? A woman to mop the brow of the mountains? A ladder that will reach the top of the morning?

The grindstone that will remove the sick of the? The whetstone that will sharpen a dull appetite?

A frame for the mirror that is held up to nature? The correct measurement of the footprints of the matrimonial state?

Experience to ripen those people who are green with envy? Something to soothe the itch for fame and relieve some of the awful strains of music? —Philadelphia Bulletin.

RECEIVED BY WIRE. DUNSMUIR TO SELL

His Railroad System and Coal Mining Interests to the Smelter Combine.

PIERPONT MORGAN, JIM HILL ET AL.

Consideration to be Between \$4,000,000 and \$5,000,000.

PART PAY IN SMELTER STOCK.

Jake Gaudaur of Rat Portage Will Row for World's Championship Backed by \$5,000.

From Thursday and Friday's Daily. Vancouver, April 25, via Skagway.

May 2.—It is rumored among prominent railroad officials that the railroad system and coal mining interests of Premier Dunsmuir on Vancouver island will shortly pass into the hands of Pierpont Morgan, Jim Hill and other members of the great smelter combine. The consideration received by Dunsmuir will be between \$4,000,000 and \$5,000,000. It is also arranged that Dunsmuir will take a certain amount of stock in the smelter combine.

Challenge to Row.

Rat Portage, Ont., April 25, via Skagway, May 2.—Jake Gaudaur, after considerable talking about his ability, has issued a formal challenge to row any man for the championship of the world. As evidence that he means business he has deposited \$5000 forfeit money.

SUN SETS ON ONE SMITH.

American Pug Dies After Knock-Out in London.

London, April 25, via Skagway, May 2.—Billy Smith the American pugilist who was knocked out a few nights ago at the National Sporting Club, died here today from the effects of injuries received in the ring. Roberts, the man who put him out, together with the referee and seconds, surrendered themselves to the police and are now in custody.

Deserted Settlement.

Not a wreath of smoke curled heavenward today from the shack-crowded block between Fourth and Fifth avenues and Second and Third streets. The place was deserted and quiet, all the former residents having moved away yesterday evening leaving it a la sweet Auburn, the deserted village of the plain. The order issued by the police has been obeyed and the same force will see that it is not again violated. Dawson is to be congratulated—the scenes of the long light nights of last will not be re-enacted this summer. A long step in the way of moral reform has been taken and taken for "keeps."

Effect of Snow.

It all depends on the date a fellow's money says the ice will move in the Yukon just what effect the heavy snowfall of last night will have on the ice. The man who has backed his opinion that the ice will move by the 10th or 12th looks upon the snow as his ally in that he says it will speedily melt and the water therefrom will materially assist in tearing from its moorings the ice of the river. The man who has selected the 18th or 20th as the date for the breakup says the fall of snow is bound to be followed by colder weather; that for a few mornings to come there will be slight freezing and that will tend to delay the breakup fully five days or a week.

Lacrosse Sticks.

R. M. McLennan imported last season a number of lacrosse sticks in anticipation of matches being played on the ice the past winter. These sticks are now at Selkirk and will be in Dawson probably with the arrival of the first snow. Mr. McLennan will probably present the police boys with a full set.

The civil service boys have organized a lacrosse team and have issued a challenge to meet any and all comers. It is now in order for an opposition team to be organized to arrange for some match games this summer.