

# THE SEMI-WEEKLY NUGGET.

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## OMAHA DAWSON

Armour Meat Company Reaching Out for Business in the Klondike.

AT SKAGWAY AND WHITEHORSE

Big Cold Storage Warehouses Will Be Built.

THREE WEEKLY SHIPMENTS

Of Fresh Meat Will Be Made to Dawson Very Soon—An Important Project.

From Saturday's Daily.  
Armour & Co., the great meat packers and dealers, are to open a wholesale house in Skagway immediately. They enter the Alaskan field with no uncertain step. Arrangements are made, says the Alaskan, for reaching out beyond this point for a big share of the Klondike trade both in fresh and smoked meats.  
P. G. Copeland returned yesterday from a visit of several weeks to the states and brought the important information as to the decision of Armour & Co. to enter this field. He says:  
"I have been appointed agent for Armour & Co. from Skagway to Dawson, with headquarters here, and therefore know whereof I speak in regard to their enterprise in this region.  
"The company intends to rush fresh meat through from Omaha to Dawson, and to maintain houses in Skagway and Whitehorse.  
"Largely in preparation for the handling of this trade, the company has just completed in Seattle a three story brick building 120 feet square with a

capacity of smoking 100 tons of meat at a time.  
"General Manager Higgins will be here in a week or ten days to secure and establish permanent warehouses at this point for the company. Everything for packing house products will be carried in Skagway and sold only at wholesale. That means Armour & Co., are to make Skagway one of their wholesale points.  
"Special arrangements of importance are being made for the shipment of fresh meat from Omaha and Chicago to Dawson. Arrangements have been made whereby the White Pass & Yukon railroad will run refrigerator cars and the Klondike Corporation will equip its Yukon river steamers with refrigerators for our accommodation. The company is negotiating for the establishment of refrigerator service on steamers between Skagway and Seattle, and we shall be able to announce in a few days which company will give us the service. It is already arranged to make three shipments of fresh meat weekly into Dawson as soon as the railroad is opened to Whitehorse. Before that time we shall not do much in shipping fresh meat down the river."

**Horses and Wagons.**  
A scow laden with five horses, three heavy wagons, hay and grain, and manned by half a dozen men whose names were not learned, arrived yesterday evening from Lebarge. The horses are in fine condition and appeared to have enjoyed the trip. Wagons are a scarcity in Dawson and are therefore very valuable when safely landed here.  
**Fulda Still in London.**  
The latest news from L. R. Fulda, of the A. E. Co., is a telegram to Resident Manager R. M. Lindsay from London. Mr. Fulda will probably be absent yet for several weeks. In the meantime, under the master guidance of Manager Lindsay, the big company's business at this place is going ahead with that spirit which has been its characteristic since its inception.

**POLICE COURT NEWS.**  
In Magistrate Search's court this morning two knights of the "hit me" fraternity plead guilty to the regulation charge and remitted \$50 and costs each.  
Chas. Morle had found the paint store where the "slumber" brand of hootch is sold. He likewise invested in a few "fingers" of it with the usual result: he went to sleep on the street, thereby stemming the tide of traffic. He plead guilty, and \$10 and costs were paid by him.  
Geo. W. Hammel, a frescoer, had a claim of \$75 against Arnold King for a job of work done in the Exchange building. As it was not a daily labor affair, but a set price for the job, the court dismissed the case as not being within its jurisdiction.  
W. L. McGregor had better luck in his case against Arnold King, securing judgment for \$46.25 against him for labor performed.

**A Snap.**  
Furnished cabin, together with lot 25x100 feet, good location, for sale; a bargain. Owner going to Nome. Address A., Nugget office.  
Fedora hats, latest styles, all shades, \$5. Ward, Hough & Co., 111 First ave.

**Townsend & Rose**  
The Leading  
..Tobacconists

Have removed from their former location on Second avenue, to their  
**NEW STORE....**  
First Ave. Next to Madden House  
Club Rooms Attached

**W. H. PARSONS & CO.**  
**UNDERWEAR**  
We will continue our sale for another week of light weight summer underwear, all American goods, silk finished and trimmed, suit, \$3  
**CLOTHING**  
We have a large stock of the latest patterns, latest cut, dressy looking, and correct style.  
**"SELTZ" SHOES**  
These are the clear thing in footwear. They look better and wear longer than any other shoe in Dawson today; they have a reputation all over the country for design and finish.  
2nd Street, Opp. Bank of B.N.A.  
"If You Bought It at Parsons It Must Be Good."

## WATER FRONT

Contemplated Movements of Various Steamers Now in Port.

THE YUKONER IS NEARLY READY

The Steamer Closset Is Hung Up Twelve Miles Above.

BY A BURSTED STEAMPIPE,

Drunken Cook Thrown Into River—Dock Improvements—Other Matters Marine.

The A. C. Co. expect their first boat up the river about June 1st.

The steamer John C. Barr, of the N. A. T. & Co., leaves for Port Yukon this afternoon at 5 p. m. She will return after loading with provisions and pipe for Dawson. From here she will go to St. Michael.

The A. E. Co.'s boat Gustin will leave about June 1st for St. Michael. The company propose refitting her for the better accommodation of passengers. She will be moved to her dock as soon as the Barr leaves.

An office is being built by the A. E. Co. on their wharf for the sale of tickets.

Steward Langly, of the Sybil reports the ice on Lebarge to be firm when he left and thinks the latter will not be open for ten days or two weeks.

Capt. Woods, of the T. & E. Co., reports rapid progress of the repairs on the steamer Yukoner. It is expected the boat will be ready for navigation before the first of June.

The steamer Canadian sails Thursday next at 2 o'clock for up river.

The steamer Sybil sails Tuesday on her return trip.

The steamer Closset, which left Thursday for Lebarge is hung up 12 miles above, here owing to the bursting of her steam pipes. The steamer Flora, which sails today, will take off her passengers and mail and proceed to the lakes. The Flora will have a full complement of passengers for her initial trip and steamboat men say everything points to a remarkable season of activity for her owners.

Lancaster & Calderhead are increasing the size of their docks as they anticipate doing an immense business this season.

An inebriated knight of the big spoon undertook this morning to walloop everybody on board the steamer Flora. After some gentle remonstrance on the part of the crew which floored him several times he became even more bent than ever to carry the kitchen by storm, but was happily repulsed by being thrown into the river. A rope was sent after him in time to save his life, and being somewhat sobered by his immersion in the chilly waters of the Yukon, he gave up the siege and went trickling homewards.

**Foot Race on the 24th.**  
J. H. Lugget, of the Forks, has matched Bert Ford to run a 100-yard race with W. T. Watson on May 24th. Articles have been signed by both men and a purse of \$500 a side has been put up. The following are the conditions of the race:  
We, the undersigned, hereby sign the following articles of agreement to run a match foot race at Dawson, the 24th of May, 1900: First, race to be 100 yards; second, purse to be \$500 a side; third, start to be Sheffield; fourth, race to be run in the afternoon; fifth, stakeholder, Mr. Jas. Morrison; sixth, judges and starters to be chosen on the ground.  
W. T. WATSON,  
BERT FORD,  
By J. H. LUGGETT.  
Witness: W. M. SHULER.  
Watson is a fast Canadian runner and has beat every man he ever was matched against in the Athin district. Bert Ford is well known as a runner and heel and toe walker.  
**It Was Not Cook.**  
Chas. Cook, who was thought to have been drowned from a small boat by its being caught and crushed in an ice jam about 100 miles up the river a few days ago, is alive to tell the story of his escape. He reached the city yesterday

and called later at the Nugget office when he verified his continued existence. However, he had a very narrow escape at the point mentioned, as his frail craft, in which he made the trip alone, was caught in a large body of ice and carried along for many miles; but a small opening occurring, he made for the bank where he tied up until the moving mass had safely passed and gone, when the lone mariner continued his journey in undisturbed serenity.

**Too Much Steam.**  
Thursday evening about 8 o'clock on claim 47 below on Bonanza the steam boiler exploded with terrific force, blowing the top off the engine house and very seriously injuring Engineer W. J. Barnes, who was the only man in the immediate vicinity at the time. The big boiler was blown from its moorings a distance of several yards, and is a complete wreck, entailing a loss of fully \$2000. Dr. McLeod of the Forks, was called to attend the injured engineer who is now recovering from what would ordinarily have been a fatal accident. The cause of the explosion is supposed to have been due to a scarcity of water in the boiler. Claim 47 is being operated by a layman, J. Steinberger.

**False Impression Corrected.**  
To the Editor of the Nugget:  
It has been called to my attention that some people have the impression that I am the D. G. McTavish who wrote to the minister of the interior preferring charges against Gold Commissioner Senkler. To correct such impression, will you kindly say in your paper that I am not the person who wrote such letter to the minister. Yours very truly,

**GRAHAM M'TAVISH,**  
Parsons Produce Co., Dawson.

**Four New A. B.'s.**  
At a regular meeting of Dawson Camp, Arctic Brotherhood, last night four new candidates journeyed over the trail and brought up at the palace of Her Iciness, the Arctic Queen. The new brothers are Geo. W. Mushberger, Armorer Sergeant R. Donaldson, Y. P. F., Ed. S. Orr and W. V. Tukey; the latter two being in the freighting business, got some new points regarding the trail.

Next Friday night will be devoted to a social session at which it is expected that every member will be present.

**Ottawa Relief.**  
Mr. P. R. Ritchie's list of contributors to the Ottawa relief fund has these names: H. T. Roller and P. R. Ritchie, \$25 each; I. J. Hartman, J. J. Wright, F. W. Arnold, C. M. Woodworth, K. D. Co., J. T. Lithgow, R. G. Macdonald, D. D. Buchanan, Jas. P. McLennan, D. A. Matheson, A. D. Williams, D. B. Young and R. J. Filbeck, \$10 each; J. F. Hale, A. Thompson, A. J. Bannerman, J. Vernon, R. Anderson, \$5 each; Mrs. Mueller and sympathiser \$1 each.

**Important Mining Sale.**  
Yesterday the sale of one of the richest mining properties on Las Chance creek was consummated. The ground affected is the bench claim, left limit, first tier, opposite the lower half of No. 13 above discovery. P. H. Hogarth, Milton E. Swartz and T. F. Thompson disposed of their interests in the property to Messrs. Curtis, Brant and Stone. The three gentlemen will be associated in the management of the claim with Sidney Walker and J. C. McCormack, both of whom still retain their original interests. Articles of dissolution of partnership have been executed between Messrs. Swartz and Walker.

Excellent calf shoes \$5. Ward, Hough & Co., 111 First ave.

## THEODORE DURRANT

Died Innocent of the Deaths of Minnie Williams and Blanche Lamont,

IF LATE OUTSIDE REPORT IS TRUE

Rev. Gibson Said to Have Made a Deathbed Confession,

LAYING CRIMES TO HIMSELF.

Whole Thing Probably Yellow Journal Fake—The News Is Not Confirmed.

By the late mail received in Dawson from the outside came a newspaper clipping in a letter from San Francisco to the effect that Pastor Gibson, of the Emmanuel church at the time of the murder and subsequent discovery of the bodies of the two young women, Minnie Williams and Blanche Lamont in that building, in the belief that he is on his death bed, has confessed that he himself was the murderer of the young women and that Theodore Durrant, who was convicted and hung on circumstantial evidence, was wholly innocent of the crimes laid to him.

No accurate information is given by the clipping as to the nature of Rev. Gibson's sickness; neither are any details given of the alleged confession.

The news is not believed to be true; otherwise telegraphic information would have been received here long ere this. On the other hand, it is looked upon wholly as a yellow journal fake of the rawest quality.

The Nugget endeavored today to verify the report by wire communication with its Skagway correspondent, but the latter knew nothing of the existence of such a report; therefore, until there is more direct evidence to the contrary, people need not begin to lament that when Theodore Durrant died, he did so in expiation of another's sins.

**May Good Luck Follow Him.**  
F. S. McFarlane, the manager of Parsons & Co., together with Ben T. Stevens, will start for the Koyukuk on the sailing of the steamer Merwin. Mr. McFarlane is interested in this steamer and will accompany the vessel to Port Yukon. He intends taking with him a number of horses for packing across the trail. His departure will be received with regret by his many friends here, of which he has a large circle.

Shoff, the Dawson Dog Doctor, Pioneer Drug Store.

Best Canadian rye at the Regina.

**Ice Depot.**  
Julian Blaker has bought the ice bin of Judge Morford and is now ready to deliver ice in any part of the city. His office is at the ice depot on First avenue, where you can leave orders and they will be promptly filled.  
The liquors are the best to be had, at the Regina.

**They Want Our Goods**  
They like our Style. They know they save money by trading with us....  
**Travelers for Nome and the Koyukuk**  
are crowding our store for outfits. Housekeepers are rushing in and out for their culinary supplies, and everybody is contented and happy, being familiar with our prices like the A. B. C., and knowing from experience the high grade of our goods. It is fully demonstrated that it means money in your pocket and health to your body by selecting us your Purveyors and Haberdashers.  
**The Ames Mercantile Co.** F. JANSEN Res. Manager

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