

# CLEAR CREEK

An Interesting Batch of News Brought Back by Mr. W. H. Meed.

## WHO MET MINING RECORDER YOUNG.

Present Season Will Witness Much Development Work.

## BANK BOYS SAFELY LANDED.

Trip to Frazer Falls Greatly Enjoyed by Excursionists—Prospector Will Sail Again Tonight.

From Wednesday and Thursday's Daily.

W. H. Meed, of the Stewart river company operating the steamers Prospector and Quick gave to the Nugget, yesterday, an interesting account of the conditions on the Stewart river as he found them a few days ago while there with the Prospector. He says:

"We arrived at Frazer Falls early on Sunday morning having made the entire trip from Dawson in a trifle over two days. The Patterson party of the Bank of Commerce men were safely landed at the falls with their 18 months' outfit and supplies, their intention being to explore and prospect the head waters of the south fork.

"While on the trip up they bought a live marten which had been captured by the McQuesten Indians and the little animal is now a pet of the Bank of Commerce boys there.

"Among the passengers was F. H. Brain who for three years has operated a trading post at Lansing, 100 miles above the falls on the north fork, his trade being exclusively with Indians who number about 50 and who have never seen civilization. They are allied to the Mackenzie river tribes but are spoken of as 'Brain's Indians.'

"Altogether six different parties of prospectors and their outfits were landed at the falls and it is significant that they had all been there before.

"The hay crop on the Stewart promises to be exceedingly good this season. Supplies and harvesting tools were taken up to S. H. Henry's ranch at Mazy May creek where about 75 tons will represent this season's crop, which amount the Stewart River Company has contracted to transport to Dawson.

"At Meadow creek, J. Duffy will have 40 tons of hay. At Mayo creek, M. J. McNeill will cut 50 tons of hay.

"By invitation of the Stewart River Company, a pleasure trip to the falls was made by several ladies, namely: Mrs. Clegg, Miss Zella Clegg and Mrs. H. C. Davis. Last and least in size and age was 3-months-old baby Davis, and in commemoration of the little traveler's first trip he will hereafter bear the name of R. Stewart Davis.

"The Prospector left Frazer Falls Monday morning and arrived here yesterday morning. She will return to Stewart river tonight.

"I met Weldy Young, mining recorder for the district and Constable Joy. They gave me the following information relative to mining operations on the neighboring creeks:

"Clear creek is being worked at 27, 28, 29, 7, 5, 3 and 1 below discovery; also discovery, 1, 2, 3, 7, 10, 24, 42, 44, 115, 116, 122 and 123 above.

"Left Fork is worked at 5, 17, 20, 22, 50, 57, 158 and 185. Two claims are being prospected on Squaw creek. On discovery on Clear creek Theo. Spitzer and partners are putting in a dam and changing the bed of the creek. On 3 below the same work is in operation. No. 50 on Left Fork, owned by Mrs. O'Neil and others is being dammed across the entire claim. It is about seven feet to bedrock and extensive work will be done on the claim this summer. This is the banner claim on Clear creek and is considered the most valuable property in the district at present. No. 60 on Left Fork owned by Lowrie is being ditched and drained. The ditches are sunk to bedrock through the entire length of the claim. This method having been proven to be the most economical method of working the property. At 6 above on Right Fork, owned by Beale prospecting is now in progress. The same at 24 above, owned by Atkinson also 40 on Squaw creek. Barlow creek is practically owned by Joe Barrett and is the near future it is anticipated that the creek will witness a scene of unusual activity."

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# CONSIDINES ON BAIL

Seattle, July 12, via Skagway, July 17.—Both John and Tom Considine have been held over to the superior court for the murder of W. L. Meredith on June 25th. Judge George before whom the preliminary hearing was conducted refused to hear arguments of the prosecution on its motion that bail be not granted, but that both men be

held in jail until brought before the superior court on trial. Bail for John was fixed at \$20,000 and for Tom at \$2500. Bail in both cases was furnished.

The Seattle Times characterizes the releasing of the Considines on nominal bail as a parody on justice and says it was due to the influence of John L. Wilson.

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## CANADIAN JUSTICE

Is Praised and Complimented by Spokane Paper.

Some people in this country may at times be disposed to question Canadian law or to criticize Canadian methods of government, says the Spokane Spokesman-Review, but there has certainly been no reason to find fault with the manner in which the Dominion deals with criminals, no matter what their station or the character of their wrong doing may be. The felon is given short shift across the line. His case is not tossed from court to court while he is fattening in jail and his counsel is searching for new legal technicalities through which justice may be defrauded. When a crime is committed in the Dominion the person or persons who committed it are apprehended. This may be the work of a day or it may be the work of years. Certain it is that the authorities do not relax in their efforts to run down the guilty parties, and when they are once in custody there is no delay before bringing them to trial where, if found guilty, they are sentenced to a punishment commensurate with the offense.

There is no better example of Canadian thoroughness in dealing with criminal matters than that furnished by the story of the capture and trial of one George O'Brien, who has just been sentenced to death at Dawson, Yukon territory. During the winter of 1899-1900 three young men started out over the ice from the Klondike capital. They were last seen at a station called

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## STEAMER LORELEI

Arrives With a Cargo of Prisoners From Fortymile.

The little steamer Lorelei returned this morning from a trip to Fortymile bringing Fay and Faith Devine, Harry Freeman and the two boys Mark Stein and Martin Egan, who went down the river in a canoe on Tuesday week ago.

Fay and Faith Devine and Harry Freeman were arrested at Fortymile on the Fourth of July on a warrant sworn out by Frankie White, charging them with stealing \$180 in dust and currency and also a gold watch.

From the story as told by Frankie to the police on the morning of the Fourth and on which the warrant of arrest was issued, it is learned that the quartet consisting of the prisoners and Frankie had planned to leave Dawson

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# MINERS' STRIKE

At Rosland, B. C. Is Largest in History of Camp.

Rosland, B. C., July 12, via Skagway, July 17.—The largest miners' strike in the history of British Columbia is now on here, 1200 men having walked out of the mines, all of which are shut down. The object of the miners in striking is to assist the strikers of the Northport smelters.

L. A. Burwash, crown timber agent at Stewart, is shaking hands with old friends in the city.

upon. She immediately notified the police and the warrant was issued and a wire sent to Fortymile where, later in the day, the boat containing the trio was discovered silently gliding down with the current of the mighty Yukon. The boat was halted by the police and as it drew to the shore the occupants were placed under arrest and this morning were brought to Dawson.

These cases as well as that of the boys are being heard in the police court this afternoon.

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# MEDICAL INSPECTION

Of Passengers at Skagway Has Been Discontinued.

Skagway, July 17.—Medical inspection of passengers arriving here on steamers and bound for the interior ceased on Monday by order of the federal authorities and the inspection of passengers on the trains ceased yesterday by orders from Ottawa. Rigid inspection rules have been enforced for the past two months and during that time not a case of smallpox has been discovered.

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## HOTEL ARRIVALS.

**PLANNERY.**

E. Gilkie, Caribou; A. McPeck, A. D. Cameron, C. Humphries, B. S. Svendsen, J. P. Hubrick, Mrs. M. Meyer, Mrs. John Reinold, W. Fleming, E. Johnston, Wm. Guffner, John Handy, R. A. Chishold, Robert Lavery, J. H. Madison, Watson Mife, David Edwards, H. A. Partridge, G. Hamberger, Chas. Dillman.

**M'DONALD.**

Hon. Jerry Lynch, Chechako Hill; Henry Bantz, Dominion, F. P. Slavin, 34 Sulphur; L. L. Lewis, Sulphur creek; R. Harwood, Grand Forks; J. P. Hubrick, city.

**YUKON.**

James Gilkie, Last Chance; W. O. Sprague, E. E. Kelsey, A. McLeod and wife, Dr. Austin, J. Roll, Bonanza H. Kelsen, Gold Run H. S. Daigiesh, Eureka C. Tyston, Quartz E. R. Patterson, 8 below Bonanza; G. W. Brown, 8 below Bonanza; C. W. Harrison, Eldorado.

**FAIRVIEW.**

S. D. Grant, King Solomon Hill; A. Fashbender, Chechako Hill; M. Wallace, H. W. Sellers, Gold Run; J. P. Martin, Gold Run; C. A. Jameson, Gold Run; W. H. Wright, Dominion; Vincent J. Keenan.

**REGINA.**

Wm. Sullivan, C. A. Denu, H. C. Hartman.

Holland herring, Selkirk & Myers.

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# FRASER RIVER

Striking White Fishermen Turn Tables on Japs and Maroon Them on Islands

Locations of which are not known.

## JAPANESE BOATS DESTROYED AND RIFLES THROWN INTO WATER.

Seven Japs Found on Bowen Island and Rescued—Strikers Determined to Continue Fight.

From Wednesday and Thursday's Daily.

Vancouver, July 11, via Skagway, July 17.—Developments in the Fraser river strike situation during the past 24 hours read like the proverbial dime novel. The union fishermen now have the upper hand, having turned the tables on the Japs in a manner that it without parallel in the history of the many labor disturbances in British Columbia. As the result of a battle of small boats out in the gulf many shots were fired but none of the combatants were killed. Sixteen Japs were taken prisoners by the whites. The boats of the Japs were overturned and their rifles and fishing gear thrown into the water. The prisoners were taken to small islands far out in the gulf where they were marooned. The exact location of the islands is not known but it was selected by the whites several weeks ago for occasional such as the present and it is probable that the Japs will be kept there for the remainder of the season unless the place is discovered by the authorities.

Vancouver, July 12.—Seven Japs were discovered on and rescued from Bowen island this morning, but the 16 splintered away yesterday by the strikers have not yet been found.

Further and more serious trouble is expected.

## MILLIONAIRE P. C. HALE

And His Brother Now Identified With Ames Mercantile Co.

P. C. Hale who recently visited Dawson and left for the outside last Saturday has in a quiet unassuming manner been carefully studying the local conditions of the country with a view of thoroughly posting himself on the necessities pertaining to trade in this region. Very few people were aware of the importance in the commercial world of the gentleman, he preferring to gain his knowledge of the country by mingling with the people and thus gaining the information desired from the first sources. Mr. Hale is the senior member of the millionaire firm of Hale Bros., owners of immense department stores in California in every city of any prominence in the state.

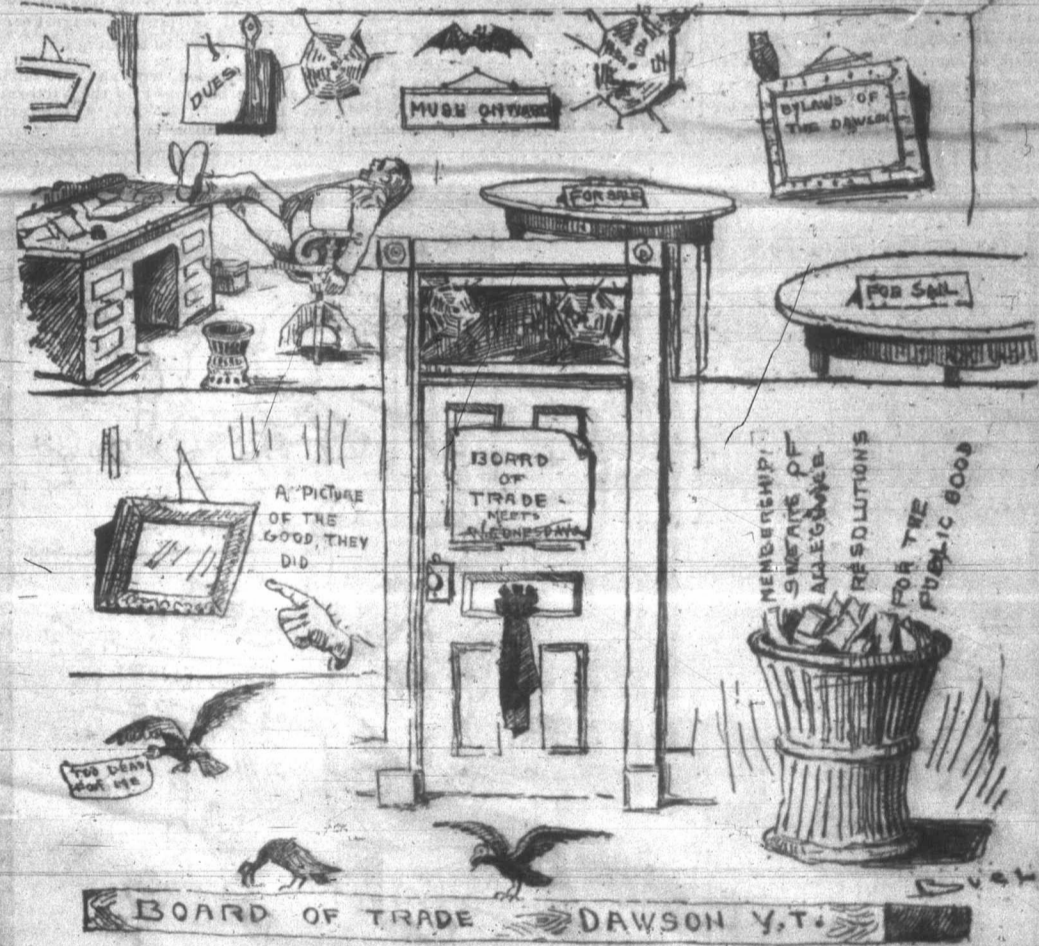
He has recently become identified with the Ames Mercantile Co., of this city, Nome, Yeller City and San Francisco, and brings to that concern practically unlimited capital for future operations. His brother R. P. Hale is one of the directors.

Mr. W. H. Parsons, local manager of the Ames Mercantile Co., is authority for the statement that his firm will next year own their own boats and operate even more extensively than they are preparing to do this season. New warehouses are now built and awaiting the big shipments of this year's goods which are now on their way to Dawson.

**Should Change Pipes.**

The purported telegram from Whitehorse, published Saturday by our unreliable evening contemporary giving the account of the capture of Ewan Harrison the insane prisoner who escaped from the police while enroute to the outside, was declared at the police headquarters to be absolutely without foundation as the man has not been captured and is still roaming the country.

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IT CAME FORTH AS A FLOWER, BUT -- ALAS!

Minto, some distance above the junction of the Yukon and the Pelly. Pout play was suspected and the Canadian Mounted Police and detectives set about to unravel the mystery. All of the young men were Americans, but nationality counted for nothing. The authorities believed a crime had been committed and they were determined to bring the guilty parties to justice. All the trails in the vicinity of Minto were thoroughly searched; every person in the vicinity at the time was questioned, and those who acted suspiciously—O'Brien among them—were taken into custody. There had been heavy falls of snow, but an attempt was made to locate the scene of the supposed murder. One hundred and ten days were spent in determining where the outrage had been committed. It was thought that the bodies had been dropped into the river, and three acres of ice were blown up in the hope of finding them. Detectives came out to the states and descended the river to the Koyukuk, Nome and St. Michael.

size, and was looking for more scalps when I left. The last fight he had was with a sailor, who put up a pretty good exhibition. Up there they have to train in a heated room, and there is very little chance to do road work, it is so cold. When there is a fight, women, children and everybody turn out."

**Territorial Court.**

In the territorial court today before Justice Dugas a damage suit for \$500 is on between Henry Bantz and S. A. Morford. Bantz owns No. 5 above lower on Dominion and Morford the hillside adjoining the lower half. The defendant has constructed a ditch across the creek claim through which he pumps water to the hillside and the plaintiff alleges that the ditch has cut out the muck that it has made so long lengths of his ground unworkable, the creek claim in that vicinity averaging \$700 or \$800 to the box length. He asks to be recompensed accordingly.

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