THE JURY TWICE DISAGREES.

And the Celebrated Perjury Cases Held Over Until the 1st.

Responsible Citizens Identify a Dog Which Could Not Be One and the Same—An Opportunity for a Solomon.

The Kentucky creek perjury cases are proving a disappointment to the prosecution apparently. The first one called, that of Fred H. Jones, ended in the acquittal of the defendant, as heretofore reported. The second case was that of Thomas Boldman, and after two trials of it had been held as many disagreements were recorded. The second trial took place on Monday and the evidence did not differ materially from that of the trial of last week. The defense hinged on the allegations that Boldman had personally visited the claim staked for him by Dague before he recorded and inspected the writing on the stakes, and that the proceedings in the gold commissioner's office at the time of the recording were so defective as to make a case of perjury impossible. The jury were out about three-quarters of an hour and then gave notice to the court that they could not possibly agree. The case will therefore be tried again, but all were carried over to the 1st of next month.

STRANGE DOG CASE.

A strange case of mistaken identity in a dog was tried before Justice Harper on Tuesday. The complainant, Judge S. C. Henton, testified that he brought the dog to Dawson himself by way of Dyea and the Chilcoot pass, and introduced several witnesses who identified the animal as his and told of seeing it in his possession both at Dawson and Dyea. The defendant, Mrs. Joseph Gibson, swore that she bought the dog at San Francisco and brought it to Dawson by way of St. Michaels. One witness testified that he put the dog aboard the National City at San Francisco, another that he fed it on the way, a third that he transferred it at St Michaels to the Yukoner and a fourth that he had received it at Dawson upon the arrival of the boat. By complainant the dog was called "Paseo," by defendant he was known as "Jacko." The evidence was so evenly divided and the witnesses so genuinely sincere, that if the justice had, like Solomon, the wise, ordered in a broad axe and threatened to sever the "bone of contention" in twain, no one would have been greatly surprised; but he contented himself by dismissing the action and leaving "Jacko" in the hands of the defendant.

MISCELLANEOUS CASES.

Messrs. Wright and McIsaacs, owners of the Victoria hotel property, told a tale of domestic woe to Judge Dugas on Tuesday, McIsaacs alleging that he had been crowded out of the family circle, so to speak. As a result of the court's conciliatory talk, the parties agreed to the appointment of a receiver and accountant, who should get their affairs in such shape as will permit an amicable dissolution of partnership.

John McDonald, Edward Fearon, Hamilton & Bodenman and Ellison & Greenleaf, occupants of the waterfront whose stocks were lately seized and sold under writs of distress issued by the agent of Morr'son & McDonald, have begun actions for replevin and damages.

From Joe Biddle.

A letter from Mr. Joe Biddle, who left Dawson some months ago for his Alabama home in Birmingham, shows him to have rushed at once into the dissipation of athletics. The *News* of that city says:

The second of the series of hand ball games that are being played between the members of the Athletic Club to establish the championship of the club resulted in a brilliant series of victories for Joe and Jack Biddle, who vanquished all comers.

The Biddle brothers first played Haylow and Thompson two games, winning both by a score of 21 to 11, the score being the same in each game.

The next two games were with Downey and Batton, and the Biddles won both of them, the first by a score of 21 to 16 and the second by a score of 21 to 14. It is rather remarkable that the champions made the same number of points in each game. This places the Biddle brothers in the lead, they having played seven games and won five. The series consists of 21 games, so that there is still ample time for those who are in the rear to catch up.

Fireman's Ball.

As usual the fire department ball was the biggest thing in town on Friday night, and was a fitting sequel to the handsome parade of the afternoon. Pioneer hall was well illuminated, not the least of the novelties being a Welsbach lamp run with gasoline. The hall was crowded to excess, until the time came for the serving of the refreshments in the temporarily erected buffet at the rear of the hall. This kept a portion of the ladies and gentlemen occupied all the time and gave the balance more room to dance.

During the intervals of dancing vocal music was furnished by Miss Clifford, Margie Newman and Messrs. Flynn, Copp, Bel, Thornquist and Thomas, the latter four forming the Aurora quartette and rendering some excellent glees.

Commissioners at Loggerheads.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 21.—Formal announcement has been made that negotiations for a new treaty between Canada and the United States have been suspended for nearly six months, the high joint commission having adjourned until August 2d. The adjournment was not a surprise, for it has been known for some time that the commission was unable to agree upon one of the most important questions before it—that of the Alaskan boundary. Sir Wilfred Laurier and Senator Fairbanks, acting for their respective commissions, issued a statement of the situation on the day of adjournment, in which it appears that the British desire to submit the question to arbitration, with a foreign umpire, while the Americans want it settled by three eminent jurists from each country; but in any event the Americans insist that the existing settlements are the tide-waters of the coast shall continue to belong to the United states, and this the British will not agree to. The Americans profess to see a great deal of Canadian politics in the failure to reach an agreement at this time.

LOCAL BREVITIES.

There has been a stampede on Skookum benches.

Storm doors are disappearing as a result of the spring-like weather prevailing just now.

The Dawson Hockey club have decided to play from now on two matches each week—Wednesday's at 5 p. m., and Saturday's at 3 p. m.

Pat Galvin has resigned from the management of the Galvin company in favor of Jas. B. Wood, who recently came in for the purpose of assuming charge.

The Ski club gave a dance St. Patrick's night in the Family theatre, at which the prizes won in the afternoon were distributed by Mr. Wm. Ogilvie. At midnight a lunch was served.

A tame trained wolf, broken to the harness and as docile as a dog, has attracted considerable attention on First avenue this week. The animal was captured in the woods seven months ago as a pup.

Vernon & Storrey have prepared an elegant large map of the Dawson mining district, which is on canvas about fifteen feet square. The map is so much larger than the room that it is to be mounted on rollers, which will show one end of the map at a time.

The warm weather of the past few days has resulted in the presence of the familiar house fly, who appears very stupid and very much disconcerted at his arousal from his long sleep. The next thing is mud, and then comes the mosquitoes.

The following is a copy of an inscription on a letter received at the post office here a few days since: "To Alexander Mac. Donald," "known as the Klondike King or Big Alex M." If not delivered within the next twenty-five years, please return it to the place from whence it came."

Mr. Post Wheeler, an old-time editor and journalist, passed through Dawson last week en route to the outside from Charley river. Mr. Wheeler was accompanied by Wm. Dickey, a Cook's Inlet explorer, who discovered and named Mount McKinley in that district. While accurate measurements have not yet been taken it is pretty well conceded to be the highest mountain of the coast range.

The meat markets have been besieged for several days with curious men, to examine the strange specimens of Rocky mountain sheep brought down from a point about 100 miles up the Klondike. The hair resembles that of the mountain goat, but it is whiter and shorter, and the horns are those of a sheep. The body is built more like a deer than a sheep. Some specimens of moose horns were also brought down.

A most unique invitation and program has been received by Chief Fletcher from "The Arctic Hook and Ladder Company" of Circle City. The occasion was the first annual ball on Washington's birthday. The dance program was made out of thin pieces of birch bark squared to about 3½ by 4½ inches, containing an insertion, and the printing and illustrations all being the work of a pen. Altogether it is by far the most characteristic program we have yet seen, and is of course valued very highly by the recipient.

Joe Fredloff, John J. Abbott, W. R. Smith and Dr Max, who left Dawson for the outside some weeks ago, acquired immediate notoriety upon reaching Seattle by reporting to a news gatherer that, while on the trail near the upper lakes, they were attacked by and had a running fight with a band of fierce timber wolves. The doctor is quoted as declaring that one of the beasts with which he contended weighed at least 250 pounds. The returned Klondiker always proves a rich find to the American reporter.

On Thursday night the Methodist church was filled to suffocation with patrons to witness Prof. Park's stereoptican and wondroscope pictures of the war, the entertainment being for the benefit of the Salvation Army shelter. The professor was away up the creeks—said to be on a stampede—and Mrs. Parks volunteered to manipulate the machines, which she did to the satisfaction of all. The building held about 300 people, and those present had the double satisfaction of not only seeing a good entertainment but also of assisting in a most worthy cause. Fred N. Tracy obliged with illustrated songs, while the army corps, headed by Adju. McGill, gave instrumental selections, which were encored repeatedly.

Hockey Match.

The match between the Dawson Hockey Club and the Canada Permanent Force Hockey Club, which took place on Saturday at the Skating Rink, resulted in a victory for the Permanent forces by five goals to one.

The game was very fast throughout, and at the end of the first half there was little to choose between the teams, the score standing one all. The Dawson club team weakened in the second half, and the Permanent Force took their chance and did some good combined playing.

Following is the order of line-up:

Dawson Hockey club—Goal, Cameron; point, R. Fortune; center point, C. J. K. Nourse [captain]; forwards, Messrs. Hardisty and Stevenson and Dr. Norquay.

Canada Permanent Force Hockey club—Goal, H. Baker; point, Private Clarkson; center point, Private Preston; forwards, Capt. Bennett [captain], Private Cooper and Private Beals.

Referee, Captain Ogilvie; official timekeepers, Maurice Marsden and Mr. Barwelll; goal umpires, Mr. McMartin and Private Mullins.

Canine Speeders.

Considerable interest was manifested Sunday afternoon in a race between two teams of dogs owned by Bob Ainsley and W. L'heureux. The course was the trail from the mouth of Hunker to Dawson, a distance of 19 miles, and the stakes were $100 a side; but many times that amount was put up by the friends and partisans of the two principals. Not less than 2,000 people lined the river at the goal to see the finish.

The first one off was Ainsley. His three setters, all full brothers, started like a shot from a gun and tore off mile after mile at a headlong pace. People had to hustle lively to get out of the way when the dogs hove in sight and the effect of their passing was wide-eyed amazement. L'heureux started a half hour later and his passage was none the less swift. Unfortunately, however, one of his three dogs played out completely while yet a considerable distance from the goal and, as a last resort, he was cut from the harness and abandoned, spent and panting by the roadside; the race was then finished by the remaining two dogs.

The timekeepers reported L'heureux the winner, his time being 45 minutes and 30 seconds. But a serious contention arose over L'heureux's action in cutting out one of his dogs, those who bet on the other team, holding that the race was to be between teams of three dogs each, no more and no less, and that L'heureux had lost just as fully as if he had been an hour behind the other in arriving.

After considerable deliberation the judges decided to declare the match and bets off, and the stake moneys were returned to the competitors. It is not unlikely that another contest will be arranged for.

P. S.—The chances for a second race are not considered good, as Ainsley and L'heureux were arraigned before Justice Harper on Tuesday, charged with cruelty to animals, and fined $5 and costs each.

Crusade is Begun.

The health department of the government got a commendable hustle on itself this week, and, from now on, it promises to wage an active campaign in the interests of the public weal. Notice was served by posters, conspicuously displayed, that no river water shall be sold or delivered for human consumption unless it be taken from a point half a mile above the mouth of the Klondike on the Yukon or from the Klondike at a point above the mouth of Bonanza. The regulation was made to apply to ice, and persons taking ice from the Yukon at a point opposite the lower end of the city were stopped. Regulations providing for the care of out-houses and the disposition of garbage were also announced, and two persons detected in throwing filth on the river front were arrested and fined.

It is reported that the water in the river is already rising to the surface of the ice, which is covered with filth opposite the city front, and this marks an early danger that people should take note of. Indeed, water taken from one of the usual supply points on Friday last was found to be largely infested with "wigglers."

Reward.

Lost—Lower Yukon Malamoot dog; four feet, face and tail white; long body; three quarters wolf; named "Whiskey;" formerly owned by Geo. Parsons. Return or leave information at Northern cafe and receive reward as advertised.
J. F. SIMONDS.

What They Say of Us.

The following gem of pure fiction is taken bodily from what we judge by the initials at the bottom to be the Toronto *Independent* of September 23d, and shows to what extremes the press of Canada is reduced in its effort to disparage the NUGGET in its fight for pure and efficient government. It is needless, of course, to remark that this is the first time the article has appeared in our columns, and we reproduce but because of its humerosities:

GOOD-BYE, JUDGE.

[Editorial from the Dawson NUGGET.]

Our asinine contemporary of the *Midnight Sun* strikes pay dirt when he says of Judge McGuire: "He had the respect of the bar and the confidence of the people." Words cannot express our contempt for the *Midnight Sun*, the subsidized organ of the government, the slave of monopolists, the mouthpiece of tyranny. The editor is a poor, weak, red eyed creature, with a queasy stomach for our virile brands of whiskey and a sneaking regard for cigarettes. We ourselves have seen him gag at a strong pipe, and as for chewing tobacco, he does it so half-heartedly that he swallows the juice. He is always complaining of Red Mike's table d'hote, and says that salt pork makes him bilious. His greatest dissipation is to wear a clean shirt, and, as for cards, he will never venture beyond "casino" and "old maid." It is rumored that he plays "authors" with his one compositor, drinks tea and likes cats.

When we came to this God-forsaken country, the very inhospitality of the climate provoked all our fighting qualities at once. We developed all those manly qualities which have made us a prime favorite at the saloon, the dance hall and the poker table. We have never failed to bluff on a four flush, even if it took the Washington press. We have put more whiskey down than any two men in Dawson. We have tried to put ourselves in touch with the people, and we think that it may be said of us, also, that we have "the respect of the bar [Red Mike's] and the confidence of the people" When we came to Dawson the first question we asked was, "Is there a government here?" They told us "Yes."

"Then," said we, "we're agin it." Here is where our unfettered proletarian soul showed itself at the first jump.

Such being our manly code, it is not surprising that we didn't cotton to the idiot who edits the *Midnight Sun*. It is surprising, however, to find the aforesaid idiot on the same side of the fence with us with respect to Judge McGuire, who is to leave us soon for the effete east. Judge McGuire is an honest judge. He is not looking for a rake-off, and in a cold country he has given us what Mr. Hardy calls "warm justice." The judge, we may remark, is a man with a big M. We have seen the judge take his liquor, and he does it in a judicial and appreciative way, something slow, to be sure, but effective. The judge is near the heart of the people, and we know that his boiled shirt and black broadcloth coat are only sacrifices to the dignity of his position. Good-bye, judge. Here's lookin' at you!

[The foregoing is not to be taken seriously. Judge McGuire is a teetotaler.—Ed. *Int.*]

The Morgan Bill.

The Nicaragua Canal Bill, as passed by the senate, contains the following provisions:

Continuance of the name of the Maritime Company; issuance of 1,000,000 shares of stock at $100 each; calling in of all stock issued except that held by the Nicaraguan and Costa Rican governments; redemption and cancellation by the company of bonds and scrip issued by it, and satisfaction of all cash liabilities, for which requirements $5,000,000 in treasury warrants is authorized; authorization to the secretary of the treasury to subscribe for 925,000 shares of stock for the United States government; resignation of the present board of directors and appointment of a new board of seven, five of whom shall be residents of the United States, one resident of Nicaragua and one of Costa Rica; completion of the canal within six years, and its construction large enough for the largest sea-going vessels; restriction of payments to $20,000,000 annually, and final completion at a cost not to exceed $115,000,000, which amount is made a permanent appropriation; power in the president of the United States to declare forfeiture of the property, to secure change or modification of concession, to negotiate—in case of failure—for another route across the isthmus and to open negotiations for abrogation of the Clayton-Bulwer treaty; guarantee of the neutrality of the canal, with reservation of the right to protect it from interruptions of business between the Atlantic and Pacific coasts of the United States.

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