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THE LATEST IN...  
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Full line of Gent's Neckwear Suits and Overcoats  
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Also 1-6X6 friction geared hoist for sale.  
Best cash buy in the Klondike.

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Mose, Fittings, Valves, Stoves & Ranges. 107 Front St.

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On and after Monday, Oct. 22, 1900, will run a  
DOUBLE LINE OF STAGES  
TO & FROM GRAND FORKS

Leave Dawson, Office A. C. Co.'s Building 9:00 a. m.  
Returning, Leave Forks, Office, Op. Gold Hill Hotel 3:00 p. m.

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Game of All Kinds  
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KLEBERT & GIESMAN PROPRIETORS  
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Competitive Prices... Opp. S. V. T. Co.

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Telephone No. 87  
FOR MEMBERS  
A Gentleman's Resort,  
Spacious and Elegant  
Club Rooms and Bar  
FOUNDED BY  
Murray, O'Brien and Marchbank.

Bicycles! Bicycles!  
The O'Brien Club  
Cleveland Wheel.  
With Automatic Brake  
Also a full line of Bicycle Sundries. Repair shop in connection.  
McLennan, McFeely & Co., Ltd.

THE RIDGE CABLE CO.  
Have installed a new plant on the Ridge and are now in a position to pull up all comers.  
McLennan, McFeely & Co., Ltd.

## BURNED AT THE STAKE

John Porter, a Colorado Negro,  
Expiates His Horrible  
Crime.

### HIS VICTIM'S FATHER APPLIES MATCH

Was Taken From Custody of  
Sheriff by a Mob.

### COMMITTEE KNEW ITS LINES

And Acted on Preparations Previous-  
ly Made—Died Where Outrage  
Was Committed.

Limon, Col., Nov. 26.—Preston Porter, jr., or, as he was familiarly known, John Porter, this evening paid a terrible penalty for his deed. He was chained to a railroad rail, set firmly in the ground on the exact spot where his crime was committed, the father of the murdered girl touched the match to the fuel which had been piled around the stake, and 20 minutes later a last convulsive shudder told that life was extinct. What agony the doomed boy suffered while the flames shrivelled up his flesh could only be guessed from the terrible contortions of his face and the cries he gave from time to time.

The train bearing the negro, in custody of Sheriff Freeman and his deputies, arrived on time, 3:45 p. m. The cars were crowded with newspaper reporters and people who were curious to see the negro executed. R. W. Frost, the murdered girl's father, was one of the passengers.

When the train stopped 16 men, who had been selected by the vigilance committee entered the train and demanded the prisoner from the sheriff. Their every action was marked by calmness and determination.

The officer protested in the name of the law, and asked the men to allow him to take his prisoner to the county jail at Hugo, but his protests were disregarded. One man carried a rope of which had been formed a hangman's noose. This was slipped over the negro's neck. It was announced that the negro was to be hanged, but it was finally decided to leave the method of death to the outraged father. The train was then allowed to proceed, and at Lake station, about three miles from Limon and near the scene of the negro's crime, the party left the train and began preparations for the deed of vengeance.

The executioners, who numbered

about 300 citizens of Little county, had not the least semblance of the ordinary mob. Their every act was deliberate. Grimly they stood in a circle about the fire until the body was entirely consumed, and then they quietly took their way back to Limon, from which place they departed for their homes shortly afterwards.

Porter did not seem to realize the awful punishment he was destined to undergo. As he had exhibited indifference to the enormity of his crime, so he seemed to lack all understanding of its terrible consequences. For more than an hour while preparations for his execution were in progress, he stood mute and sullen among the mob. When everything was ready, he walked to the stake with a firm step, pausing as he reached the circle of broken boards to kneel in prayer. He was allowed to take his time. He rose and placed his back to the iron stake, and half a dozen men wound chains about his body and limbs.

Kerosene oil was applied to the wood, and after a brief pause, Richard W. Frost, the father of little Louise Frost, whose cruelly mutilated body was found one week ago on that very spot, applied a match.

### Smallpox Epidemic Past.

Although the health department is in receipt of about 15,000 vaccine points, there are no smallpox patients left and as yet no further appointments have been made of vaccination officers either for Dawson or the outside districts, and although the fiat has gone forth that a house to house visitation to vaccinate all those not yet treated, it is somewhat a matter of doubt as to whether this order will be enforced or not.

## Badly Frozen

Kitty O'Neill, a questionable character, or rather there is no question about her character, who resides on Gold Run, had a narrow escape from freezing at an early hour yesterday morning in the locality of claim No. 20. The previous evening she had attended a dance where she had poured very freely of liquor, and, after returning to her cabin, had become crazed to such an extent as to cause her wander to out into the night in her stocking feet and otherwise scantily dressed. When found by a belated traveler she was wandering around on the road, her feet and hands being badly frosted. Her rescuer took her to a cabin when, by much rubbing and a free use of restoratives, the frost was drawn from her injured limbs and it is now thought no amputation will be necessary. Had the weather been very severe instead of but a few degrees below zero the miserable creature would have surely perished.

### Two Years for Little.

Edward Little, who sometime since held up a woman named Maude Earl near the Klondike bridge, and tried to extort money from her, was before Justice Dugas this morning for sentence, having been duly convicted of the charge.

Little was sentenced to two years imprisonment at hard labor, the sentence going further and binding him over to keep the peace during the five years succeeding his release, under a surety by himself of \$5000, and \$2500 additional.

It was the opinion of many who saw Little when on trial that he was crazy, and there is no doubt that he tried to further this belief by writing letters unfit for publication to Dr. Hurdman since his trial, and other wise trying to create a belief that he was not responsible. It has been said of him that he has escaped punishment for other offenses by adopting this ruse before, which resulted in his being sent to insane asylums from which he soon emerged "cured."

### Christmas Hockey.

There was an interesting and closely contested hockey game played yesterday afternoon, the contesting teams being those of the A. E. and A. C. companies. There were only five points scored in the entire game of which three were to the credit of the A. E. and two to the A. C. Had a few rough plays been eliminated the game would

have been more creditable to the teams and enjoyable to the spectators of whom there was a very large crowd present. As a whole it was a good game and one of the most hotly contested of the series.

### A Public Benefactor.

Mr. Horkan of the Standard library has had prepared and put on the walls of his place of business large, accurate and complete maps of all mining creeks in the district. Each claim is numbered and by means of those maps an accurate idea can be found of the exact location of the creeks, the various meanderings, windings and curves. Mr. Horkan had inaugurated this innovation for the benefit of his many patrons.

### Christmas on the Creeks.

So far as reported Christmas on the various creeks and at the Forks, was most happily spent. At nearly all the hotels and roadhouses turkey dinners were served and music and dancing held sway afterwards. Reports from all along the line are to the effect that Christmas of 1900 was by far the most extensively observed holiday in the history of the Klondike.

### Jake Kline Back.

Jake Kline arrived about 2 p. m. today from Whitehorse with a load of special express matter for some of the larger firms. He was nine and a half days making the run with seven dogs, and reports the trail in fairly good condition, though he complains somewhat of its being sidling in places. He made the return trip alone, and reports travel light and roadhouses short of fresh meat.

### RECEIVED BY WIRE.

## Str. Alpha Wrecked

Vancouver, Dec. 17, via Skagway, Dec. 24.—The steamer Alpha has been wrecked in a storm off the west coast of Vancouver island. She was on her way to Japan and was lost in a storm the first day out and went on the rocks. A life line was gotten ashore and 26 people were rescued. The following persons were lost:

Samuel Barber, managing owner, P. M. York, captain; Chief Engineer Matheson, Assistant Engineer Dunn, Murry, Purser Barber, Sullivan, Crosby and an unknown stowaway. The owner, captain and purser were all carried off the bridge by the waves. The engineers stayed by the engines until the steamer was pounded to pieces on the rocks.

### Club Notice.

All members of the Monte Carlo Club are requested to be present at a special meeting to be held at the club rooms Saturday, 8:30 p. m., Dec. 29th for the purpose of reorganization. E. J. Fitzpatrick, Sec.

Lindemann the jeweler has removed to Monte Carlo building.

The Holborn Cafe for delicacies.

Try Cascade Laundry for high-class work at reduced prices.

Men's fur lined gloves and mitts. Sargent & Pinska.

For watch repairing see Lindemann.

Fine line of 25c goods. Rochester.

Glasses fitted by Soggs & Vesco.

Silk hose and silk underwear at Sargent & Pinska's.

Shoff, the Dawson Dog Doctor; Pioneer Drug Store.

Private dining rooms at The Holborn.

Table de hote dinners. The Holborn.

## A DAWSON HOLIDAY

How the Universal Christmas  
Was Celebrated by the  
Social World.

### GOOD COMPANY AND GOOD CHEER

The Order of the Day Here Where  
People Know How

### TO ENTERTAIN PROPERLY.

The A. E. and A. C. Co.'s Regale  
Their Employees and the Police  
Boys Keep Open House.

There is no doubt whatever, that when Dawson does anything with premeditation it is done properly, and everyone in Dawson assisted by his wife and offspring, has been contemplating great things on Christmas day for some time past, with the result that the great anniversary was celebrated yesterday in a way to do credit to any city of equal population on the round earth. Business was wholly suspended, all the stores closing so as to give everyone a chance to celebrate properly, and if anyone overlooked the opportunity he has not yet been heard of.

There were Christmas trees for the children at the schools and churches Christmas eve, to say nothing of the numerous events of the kind which took place in many homes, and yesterday the city was given over generally to feasting and merrymaking, and although turkey costs over a dollar a pound, and champagne is procured at a corresponding figure, everyone ate turkey and drank wine, made presents and had a general good time.

The Salvation Army bounteously and in a most worthy manner provided for the destitute and homeless so that in all Dawson it is believed not one went dinnerless to bed.

At the police canteen there were sounds of revelry, speechmaking and flying corks for the police boys were entertaining in the way they know so well.

Nearly everyone in official life visited them during the afternoon or evening, and none came who were not royally welcomed and entertained. Sheriff Ellbeck was there and made a speech which was a wonder, considering that he is not seeking office, but then the sheriff has a way of doing things on the impulse of the moment, and it is only fair to say that although the impulse has been weighed, in the scales, it has always been found full measure. Justice Craig also made a short call, and in fact everyone did.

The manner of entertainment was impromptu, but good and appropriate. Constable Tuttle kept the piano busy all night.

Among the larger commercial houses the A. E. and the A. C. Co.'s were conspicuous by the royal manner in which they entertained their employees at dinner, where no expense or effort was spared to see that everyone enjoyed himself.

This is a very graceful feature of life

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WHOLESALE **A. M. CO.** RETAIL

Smoking Jackets  
Fancy Silk Vests, Dress Overcoats  
Make very desirable Xmas Presents.  
This store has the variety, style, quality; the prices here are always most pleasing.

**AMES MERCANTILE CO.**