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EVIDENCE CONTINUES

McArthur Trial is Still Progressing

Case for the Crown May Not be Finished Before Tomorrow.

The case of the King against Frank McArthur still continues to drag along and the indications are that it will not be concluded before tomorrow and probably not until the day following.

Yesterday afternoon the lengthy testimony of Sergeant Smith heard in the morning was supplemented to a large extent by the evidence of Constable Taylor and Constable Laws who had participated in the raid on February 13.

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FIVE PERSONS ARE BURNED IN HUNKER ROADHOUSE FIRE

Aurora No. 3, Located at No. 55 Below Discovery on Hunker, a Mass of Charred Ruins—Remains of Roadhouse Proprietor, His Wife, Two Children and One Guest Were Consumed in the Burning Building—A Most Frightful Disaster.

The most frightful disaster yet recorded in Yukon history occurred last night on Hunker creek, when the Aurora No. 3, a popular creek hotel, was burned to the ground, five persons at least and a possible sixth having fallen victims to the merciless flames.

The dead are as follows: CHAS. BERNISIE, MRS. BERNISIE, GEO. BERNISIE, aged 5, BEATRICE BERNISIE, aged 10, THOS. BAIRD, Employed on government road.

A sixth party was known to have been in the house at 10:30 last evening and if as is presumed he remained for the evening he is also numbered among the victims.

The fire occurred at about 1:30 this morning and was first noticed by P. J. Peterie who is in charge of the machinery operated on No. 56 below Hunker, the claim adjoining the one on which the Aurora No. 3 was located.

account of their scarcity and the further fact that the holder of such was entitled to a prize rather than to be mulcted, he who was so fortunate as to draw in threes, a full house or a flush was exempt from the royal tax imposed on the holder of a single pair.

The cross examination of the constable was exhaustive and was responsible for the development of quite a bit of dry humor. When speaking of the other games in which he had indulged his lordship dryly asked: "Was there any rake-off on the ping pong table?"

"At what other place have you ever played stud poker besides the Monte Carlo club?" queried the counsel for the defense.

"I have frequently played stud poker with my companions at the town station so I could learn the game."

George Takenaka, a Jap, was next in the box and he proved a most amusing witness. He is a member of the club and has played stud poker there twice, only twice and for but a short time at that.

"He's a gentleman." Eugene Brunelle was the last witness examined before the adjournment for lunch. The case is being continued this afternoon.

Fatal Log's Vienna, Feb. 14.—All the Vienna tailoring hands and middlemen came out on strike today. The strikers number 2000, and their example has been followed by 1000 tailors in the tailoring trade.

Their demands are for shorter hours and higher wages. At the men's mass meeting it was stated that the tailors' work for fourteen and sixteen hours daily. The decision to strike was greeted with enthusiasm, the men explaining that "we suffer from hunger whether we work or strike. We will therefore hold out until we bring the masters to their senses."

An Ambitious Youngster Wilkesbarre, Feb. 14.—The elopement of Howard Dietrich and Sadie Thomas, aged 17 and 18, respectively, was reported to the police today. The girl recently received a legacy from the estate of her uncle, who died in the west, and it is believed they have gone to Mississippi, where Dietrich expressed a desire to go that he might hunt bears with the president when not working.

MISSING.—If there is any one who knows the whereabouts of P. Chris Peterson please notify Mrs. S. Peterson, 13 Schuyler avenue, Kankakee, Illinois, U.S.A.

flames Peterie left his work and rushed to the scene. Dense volumes of smoke were pouring from doors and windows and it was at once apparent that the structure was doomed.

Knowing the portion of the building in which the sleeping apartments were located Peterie went thither immediately and broke in one of the windows hoping to be able to extend some assistance to the unfortunate inmates. A glance sufficed to show, however, that it was too late. The flames and smoke rushed from the window and it was seen immediately that the whole interior was ablaze.

There was nothing to be done but to withdraw and watch the work of devastation proceed. Other neighbors were soon on the scene and word was sent to the police at Gold Bottom. Early this morning the police were on the ground but little could be done toward ascertaining the real extent of the disaster until the smoke had cleared and the burning debris had somewhat cooled. The work of examining the ruins then began and this afternoon a report was received to the effect that the remains of five bodies had been discovered. As no trace of the sixth has been found it seems likely that the stranger who was noticed in the house late the previous evening did not remain for the night.

The attention of Mr. Peterie was first attracted by the prolonged howling of a dog which belonged to the Bernsie family and it was that which first led him to look in the direction of the roadhouse. When he reached the building the dog continued his plaintive howls and apparently seemed to realize something of the disaster which was in progress.

The Aurora No. 3 is located on No. 55 below discovery on Hunker. It was originally built by Thomas Chisholm of this city. Chisholm later disposed of it and until recently the house was conducted by Mrs. Sidel who employed the Bernsies. Some weeks ago Bernsie bought the place and had begun making prepara-

tions for extensive renovation and improvements. The house was a large one story log building the center of which was occupied by the bar room. On the right of the bar were the sleeping apartments and on the left the kitchen.

There was no exit from the sleeping rooms except through the bar, which fact may account for the failure of any of the inmates to escape. Parties who were in the house last night remember that a large heap of paper torn from the walls in the process of making improvements was on the floor on the bar room. A lamp was kept burning in the "game" room and it is presumed that the lamp expedited the highly inflammable material immediately catching fire.

It is also possible that the fire originated from a defective flue. Bernsie is said to have been a hard working industrious man, well liked by those who knew him on the creeks. He had only recently brought his family in from Portland, Oregon, and had purchased the property, with the

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ATHLETIC BUILDING

Meeting of the Shareholders Last Night

Trial Balance Shows Net Profit of Over \$5,000 Since it Was Organized.

Quite an enthusiastic meeting of the shareholders of the Dawson Amateur Athletic Association was held in the board of trade rooms yesterday evening, there being about fifty of the stockholders present. The object of the meeting was primarily to consider the best ways and means to adopt to reduce the amount of floating indebtedness at present against the company, which amounts to over \$20,000. The operation of the rink and the association in general has been highly successful since the first day of its being opened to the public, the books showing a net profit over and above all operating expenses of over \$5000. The only difficulty that has confronted the board of directors has been the lack of sufficient capital to properly finance the construction and furnishing of the building. According to the charter that was conferred by the Yukon council at the time the act of incorporation was passed the capital stock was placed at \$20,000, 200 shares at \$100 each. Of that number 140 have been subscribed for and paid up placing in the treasury \$14,000. The building, however, as it now stands represents an expenditure of over \$40,000 which accounts for the deficiency and indebtedness now existing and which it is proposed to remove.

Mr. D. A. Cameron, president of the association, occupied the chair and the financial status of the association was discussed at considerable length. Two things were determined upon, one to increase the annual dues of the shareholders and charter members from \$25 to \$50, and the other to increase the capital stock under permission from the Yukon council, by \$20,000 and to issue debenture stock. In order to do the latter the act of incorporation will have to be altered and before that can be done permission will have to be secured from the Yukon council.

Two committees were appointed to deal with matters coming before the meeting, one consisting of A. G. Smith, Joseph Seibert, P. H. Palmer, Dr. Edwards and R. Rosdiger to arrange for the amendment to the private act of incorporation to procure power to issue debenture stock and also increase the capital stock by \$20,000 and to formulate a scheme by which such stock might be placed.

The other committee consists of E. C. Sessler, G. McKennie and E. W. Ward and they are to superintend the collection of the \$25 additional dues that has been voted to assess against the charter members. Both committees are to report to a general meeting to be held one week from tonight, March 13.

LOSES HIS EYE A Hunker Miner Has His Right Optic Removed

H. C. Ball, the young Hunker miner who had the misfortune to lose his right eye a few days ago at the Good Samaritan hospital, is rapidly recovering from the operation he was compelled to undergo and expects to be out again within a week or ten days. The accident which resulted in the loss to Mr. Ball of his eye was rather peculiar. In company with his partner, a Mr. Hooley, he has been working a lay this winter on 34 below on Hunker and only recently had they located some excellent pay. On last Friday Mr. Ball was cutting kindling for a fire about to be laid. He had placed a small piece of wood on the saw horse, struck it with the axe when one end flew up, striking him squarely in the eye and inflicting such painful injuries and so lacerating the organ of sight that its entire removal became a necessity. Within an hour after the accident had happened the unfortunate man was on his way to town in the stage and immediately upon his arrival he entered the hospital. On Monday it was decided to remove the eye and Dr. Catto in company with three others performed the operation. Mr. Ball takes his loss very cheerfully and with a nonchalance that is wonderful; he says it don't amount to much.

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FOR LIBEL. Newspaper Men Are Arrested at Manila

Special to the Daily Nugget. Manila, March 4.—Wm. Crozier, editor; Kenny, manager, and Green, reporter, of the Daily American, have been arrested, charged with libeling General Davis.

Mere Rumor London, March 4.—There is no foundation to the report that Mrs. Maybrick's release is contemplated.

TWENTY MEN DROWNED Fatal Disaster Off Lands End

Special to the Daily Nugget. Liverpool, March 3.—The bark Aluna is reported to have foundered in a heavy sea off Lands End. Twenty men were drowned. She carried a valuable cargo.

PIONEERS Of Washington Celebrate Semi-Centennial

Special to the Daily Nugget. Olympia, March 4.—Hundreds of pioneers participated in impressive exercises held at Olympia in celebration of Washington state's semi-centennial.

CARGO OF SILK Is In Danger on a Leaking Vessel

Special to the Daily Nugget. New York, March 4.—The British ship Breckenham is ashore on Long Island and is leaking badly. The vessel and cargo of silk are valued at a million dollars.

City Eagles Disband The City Eagle hockey team served notice on the management of the league last night that their team has been disbanded for the season and would play no more. Such action means the rupture of the league and there will probably be no more hockey this year except in the way of scratch games. The Civil Service chaps are the champions, they never having lost a game all season.

SHE STOOPS TO CONQUER Something About the Play

Which Will be Placed on the Local Boards Next Week—Is a Masterpiece.

Oliver Goldsmith, the author of this admirable comedy, has left "one of the few, the immortal names that are not born to die." His well-earned reputation will be as extended and lasting as that of the language he has enriched and adorned. Goldsmith has written one of the best novels, "The Vicar of Wakefield," one of the best poems, "The Traveller," the best series of essays, "The Chinese Letters," and one of the best plays, "She Stoops to Conquer," that our noble mother tongue can boast of. An author who could win unstinted praise from the great Johnson will never have a leaf plucked from his garland by meaner critics. Previous to the production of this comedy, the British stage of that period was occupied almost entirely by extravagant, overwrought, unnatural representations of absurd sentiment. Goldsmith was almost the first dramatist of the time to give us characters such as live and move upon the stage of life. While this piece lacks the false sparkles of showy wit that like cheap protechnic displays glitter for a moment, and then are seen no more, it is full of the fire of genuine wit and humor.

At its reading, critics damned the piece with faint praise. But the public-wiser than the reviewers—readily saw the truth of every finished picture from life, caught the spirit which drew on Fame by the modest author—as author whose style, sentiments and morals are as pure as Addison's, while he had all of Fielding's humor without a particle of his coarseness. Of this writer it may be truly said that no other has so happily pointed a moral or stored a tale by his genius. As a man, Goldsmith was remarkable for his ineffable kindness of heart, as he was superior in brilliancy of mind and solidity and extent of learning. Of him it could be truly said "his pity gave ere charity began." In truth, he had a hand open as day to every unfortunate that crossed his path. We may slightly paraphrase, in his case, the language of a kinder soul, and say: "Goldsmith, with all his faults, we love thee still." Critical analysis might almost as well be applied in dissolving the blended hues of the Iris, or measuring the figures of De Vinci, as in separating the manifold

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