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EASTERN CAPITAL

Is Heavily Invested in a Hydraulic Proposition on Fortymile.

WILL CHANGE THE RIVER CHANNEL

Company Will Ship From Bennett in Its Own Steamer.

LIEUT. ADAIR AT SKAGWAY.

More Evidence in the Clayson Party Murder—Dynamiting Ice—Prospective Copper Smelter.

Skagway, April 20.—A party of five men, Messrs. E. Peterson, John Peterson, H. Backer, L. Price and H. Rasmussen, all from Chicago, is now here en route to the interior with eight tons of hydraulic mining machinery and material with which to construct a steamer. The latter will be built at Bennett and will be 40 feet in length, 10 feet breadth of beam and 15 inches draught. The machinery will be taken on the steamer to a point 80 miles up the Fortymile river where the company owns nine claims, and where a canal 80 feet long, 60 feet deep and 40 feet wide is being dug at enormous expense for the purpose of changing the channel of the river. Members of the company say the canal will be finished and the machinery in operation by the 25th of June.

Adair Party Out.

Skagway, April 20.—Lieut. S. E. Adair, Capt. Mathew and T. G. Wilson arrived last night from Dawson, the former en route to Boston to report on various copper properties.

The party reports the finding of a receipt near the scene of the murder of

the Clayson party which bears the name of Olsen one of the murdered men; also a pair of bicycle nippers, supposed to have belonged to Clayson.

Lieut. Adair supplied the workmen who are removing ice from the river in search of the bodies with powder with which to enable them to blow it out.

Dispute Over Location.

Skagway, April 20.—A party of copper capitalists is here which will decide in a few days upon the point at which a smelter will be located for the handling of ore from the Whitehorse copper mines. There is some dispute among the members of the company as to where the location will be. Lord Hamilton, who is heavily interested in Atlin property as well as at Whitehorse, contends that the smelter should be at Bennett or Caribou, while other members will hold out for Whitehorse as the location. Whitehorse will probably win out.

Mail Delayed.

Skagway, April 20.—The mail from Dawson which should have arrived several days ago has not yet been reported.

K. of P. Social.

The K. of P. Social Club held its regular monthly smoker in McDonald hall last evening. President D. B. Olson called the meeting to order and appointed Brother J. L. Timmins master of ceremonies. He immediately called on Brother Olson, who called attention to the good work already accomplished in the case of sick and injured brothers who have received aid and encouragement from the club. Brother Cowan gave one of his dialect stories, "The French Canadian candidate for office." Mr. Cowan is master of dialect stories.

Brother Saires sang several songs, and Mr. Ben Davis gave us a number of coon and rag-time songs, the very latest from the outside. Then our Rudy Kalenborn took his place on the platform with his guitar and you know what happened. Brother Tom Rockwell always has a good story; and Brother Geo. Noble, in his usual good voice, sang "The Heart That Is Beating for Thee," and several others. Mr. E. B. Condon, who can tell a good story and tell it well, gave one of his best, and it was heartily enjoyed. Brother Tom Rockwell stated that while he was at his home lodge, Seattle 51, a resolution was passed that all members of their lodge who are in the Klondike are to be kept in good standing until they return home.

An excellent time was enjoyed, for both members and visitors contributed. A vote of thanks was extended to Brother Knabell who provided the lunch, and as Brother Timmins had charge of the punch everyone knows it was good. KNIGHT.

Another Concert.

Mr. F. W. Zimmermann announces that he will give another concert, to be held a week from next Sunday at the Orpheum theater. The financial and artistic success of the recent concerts, which have been managed by Mr. Zimmermann, ensure his future efforts. The public appreciate this class of entertainment, and its promoters will be rewarded with liberal patronage.

CLARKE VS. SUN

Was Continued Today for One Week—Woodside Appears By Counsel,

THOMAS DRANK SLEEPING HOOCH

Alleged Stabber Goes Back to Jail Until Monday.

COFFEY TOO SICK TO APPEAR

Judgment By Default for Non-Appearance—Carelessness in Vancouver Customs House.

The room was crowded this morning when Police Magistrate Starnes' court opened.

The case of Joseph A. Clarke vs. Editor Henry J. Woodside, of the Yukon Sun, for libel, was next on the docket. The defendant was not present in person when the case was called in court, but was represented by Attorney Hulme, who asked that the case be continued for one week. Clarke, who is conducting his own case, interposed objections to a continuance of the case until some sort of plea is entered by the defendant. Attorney Hulme gave as his reasons for asking a continuance that the service papers had been in the hands of his client and himself less than 24 hours and that not sufficient time had been allowed for the preparation of defense. Clarke again urged that the defendant be required to plead before any continuance was granted. The court, however, gave the defence until next Friday in which to prepare for a hearing.

The usual charge, "drunk and disorderly," was varied in the first case, that of drunk and asleep being substituted. The prisoner was John Thomas, a miner who arrived in town yesterday from the creeks and, as he admitted began at once to fill up. Now, there are various brands of hooch—fighting hooch, dancing hooch and singing hooch; but John took none of these. He poured deeply of sleeping hooch, with the result that after trying to wind a jeweler's modern advertisement clock and saying scat to an imaginary feline, he proceeded to go to bed on the sidewalk in front of the Orpheum. Sergeant Wilson happened along about the time the third snore was emitted with the result that John's nap was finished in the guard house. This morning he entered two pleas: First, of guilty, and second of ignorance of the sleeping properties of the hooch. In view of circumstances surrounding the case, the court, in a kindly tone, imparted a few words of good advice and imposed a fine of \$5 and costs or three days in the full factory. All of John's money having been expended in sleeping potions, he went to the factory.

John Merchant, the man who is alleged to have stabbed Charles Coffey during an altercation yesterday, was called before the justice and remanded back to jail until Monday forenoon, or until such time as Coffey may be able to appear in court; it being stated that he is quite sick today and unable to be off his bed. Merchant asked to be allowed to give bond for his appearance, but owing to the conditions of the injured man, the request was denied. The court informed him, however, that he is entitled to the services of an attorney.

Capt. Starnes again gave voice this morning to his very laudable intention of having his court and papers issued from it duly respected. The occasion was the case of Robert H. Riddle vs. James Matthews, for \$60 alleged to be due for labor performed. The defendant was not in court. Constable Allmark was questioned as to the service of the papers, and reported having served them on Matthews in person, and that there could be no mistake as to his understanding that the case was set for hearing this morning. Judgment was therefore rendered for the full amount, with costs added, and an order made that the judgment be paid within five days.

The carelessness of incompetent customs officials at Vancouver was committed upon by the court this morning, and for very good cause. Some time last year, when Col. Steele was acting as police magistrate, tobacco to the value of \$300 was found in Dawson on the premises of a man named Fidler. As the tobacco was without Canadian revenue stamps, the natural supposition was that it was contraband goods, and,

therefore, subject to confiscation. The goods were taken in charge by the police, the owner protesting that he had paid the requisite duty at Vancouver. In the correspondence that followed a letter was received from the collector of customs at Vancouver, which letter states that the duty was regularly paid; but that on account of inexperience on the part of clerks in his office, and the rush of business at the time the tobacco was entered, the matter of placing the revenue stamps on the caddies had been overlooked. The court ordered an immediate return of the goods to their owner.

Several Insane Patients.

Mention was made in these columns some days ago of the necessity of a separate prison ward or asylum for the many insane persons who from time to time have to be cared for at the barracks, and for whom there are now no quarters than in the general guardhouse. At present there are half a dozen insane persons in custody, one being added to the list only a day or two ago, and conditions and accommodations are such that it is necessary to keep them in apartments adjoining those occupied by common prisoners, with the result that the latter are kept awake for nights at a time by the ravings and shrieks of the insane.

Capt. Starnes, the police magistrate, spoke this morning in the presence of a Nugget representative of the very urgent need of a ward for the insane, separate and apart from the guard-house, and where the unfortunates can be given the care and attention which the cases demand.

As the number of insane persons continues to increase with surprising regularity, it is very probable that the question of their better care will be considered at an early date by the executive branch of the local government.

He Still Lives.

A man who arrived in the city yesterday stated in the Nugget office this morning that he had left Bennett with 25 cases of eggs; that a runaway horse had ruined ten cases; that seven cases had fallen into the water and floated away near Stewart river; that the case he used for a seat on his sled had hatched and, having no feed, the chickens starved; that he reached Dawson with the other seven cases to find the market very much overstocked. "In fact," said he, "as he edged over close to the door, 'I have had some extraordinary eggs-perience.'"

Carpenters Are Busy.

Every man in Dawson who possesses a saw and hammer and the knowledge to use them can now find steady employment. Many new buildings are going up and dozens of old ones are being repaired, refitted and improved. Several miles of new sidewalk are being contracted for. Steamers are being refitted and enlarged; new ones are being built, and, in fact a general revival in the line of improvements of all kinds has been inaugurated, and carpenters are in demand at good wages.

Happy As a Clam.

Ben R. Everett is in the city from his claim, 3a below discovery on Dominion, where he says they have a dump that towers heavenward like an Egyptian pyramid and from which bright yellow, golden nuggets as big as pineapples stand out in bold relief. Ben is in town just for the sake of seeing the place once more as a man in medium circumstances. Immediately on his return to his claim the work of sluicing will begin, and by his next visit to Dawson he will have become a magnate of the oriental nabob order.

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YUKON COUNCIL

Met in Regular Session Yesterday With All Members Present.

THE FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORTS

New Roads Along Various Creeks Proposed.

LICENSE REBATES REFERRED

The Inspector Is Directed to Ascertain the Number of Licenses Issued Recently.

A meeting of the Yukon council was held at 4 p. m. Thursday. Those present were Messrs. Ogilvie, Girouard, Dugas, Clement, Senkler.

A petition was received from the Dawson Electric Light & Power Co., Ltd., praying for the passing of an ordinance respecting incorporation.

A petition was received from the residents of Menzie's addition, praying for the extension of the sidewalk which is now being constructed on Mission street to Seventh avenue. Referred to the public works committee, with power to act.

A petition was received from the residents and property owners on the east side of Second avenue asking that a ditch be dug from the corner of Fifth street North to Fourth street, connecting with the ditch now existing from the intersection of Fourth street and Second avenue to the Yukon river. Referred to the public works committee with power to act.

A petition was received from the proprietors of the Cascade Steam laundry asking permission to lay a box sewer from their place of business along Second avenue to the intersection of the same with Fifth street, connecting with the drainage ditch into the Yukon river. Referred to the public works committee.

A petition was received from D. A. Gore, of Thistle creek, asking to be appointed a commissioner for taking affidavits. Referred to the commissioner. A communication was presented from the board of managers of the Good Samaritan hospital, acknowledging the recent grant of \$3000 to that body.

A communication was received from the officer commanding the Yukon garrison asking for authorization to purchase sufficient lumber to put in a box drain in order to drain a slough lying behind the barracks. Referred to the committee on public works for report.

An account was submitted from the British-American Corporation for provisions supplied to an indigent at Selkirk. Ordered that this account be not paid.

A communication was received from H. E. Rogers asking for the payment of accounts submitted by Dr. T. N. Rogers. (Continued on Page 4.)

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