

TAKING ACTION AGAINST MCGOOK.

Seamen Make Complaint That They Have Been "Beat."

The Consul Makes the Mistake of Advertising in the "Nugget" For Claimants - Twice Deceived.

The ways of providence are inscrutable, and justice of times comes through unlooked for channels. In this instance it was a little advertisement in the Nugget which brought out the truth of the axiom, and the gentleman upon whom the truth will be most impressed is the American Consul, James Church McCook. The advertisement in question appeared on April 12, and was to the effect that it would be to the interest of any members of the crew of the steamers Pingree and Philip B. Low having claims against the boats to call upon himself. As a result of the advertisement several members of the crew called at the consulate and placed claims in his hands. He promised to look after their collection, saying that the owners of the boats desired to sell them, but that he would not allow it until all claims for wages had been paid. What was the surprise of the men to learn, a few days later, that the champion of American rights and representative of American dignity had, without carrying out his pledges, given full clearance papers for the boats to the collector of Customs Davis, of the Dominion government, and that the boats had been sold by the Boston Alaska Transportation company to their present owners, the Yukon Flyer line. As a result of this duplicity and breach of faith the men, vexed with their anger was intensified, too, by the recollection of previous ill-treatment by the consul, when his aid was invoked to secure the payment of the wages. As a result two of the men - C. J. McNaught and Oliver W. Rank - have retained the legal firm of Clement, Pattullo & Ridley and will seek redress against their betrayal. The other men will probably join issues with them, and the story of the whole shameful affair will probably be told in the courts.

The Low arrived at Dawson on or about September 25, nearly all the members of the crew being under contract for a term of eighteen months, with free transportation back to Seattle at the expiration of the time. The boat was in the possession of Capt. Pierce for the government, owing to claims against her, and immediately upon arrival the men were discharged by him without their pay. They were generally without means, an Arctic winter was approaching and the men were in despair. As a last resort, being Americans, they applied to Consul McCook to aid them in the collection of their claims. They were coldly received, and after repeated calls were finally advised to get out of the consulate, stay away, and take what they could get. Seeing no more promising course open and being pressed for the necessities of life, the men - with one exception - accepted pay for the trip up river, covering a period of less than two months, and gave a receipt in full under protest. The exception, David Kaffon, did not get a penny. Thus matters stood until the appearance of the consul's advertisement on April 12, the result of which is described above.

LOCAL BREVITIES.

Leroy Tozier has been selected to deliver the Memorial day oration. Next Wednesday, May 17, is the anniversary of Norway's independence day. Harrison King wants the Yukon council to make an appropriation to reimburse him for his losses in the late fire. The good work of clearing and fencing the cemetery at Grand Forks was commenced on Friday by volunteer labor. "Here's a letter I've just received from my uncle in the Klondike." "From the Klondike? Nonsense!" "Sure; just feel how cold it is." The committee is asking that on the Queen's birthday, Dawson merchants and owners of buildings will decorate to the best of their ability. Herman Figur, an employe of the Pat Galvin meat house, had the misfortune on Tuesday to sever a part of his left thumb while engaged in cutting meat. The Washington papers tell of the marriage at Tacoma of Ira M. Gibson, a returned Klondiker with \$100,000. The bride was Josephine Billings of Hillsboro, Oregon. The statement to the effect, that in the sale of No. 18 below upper on Dominion, Mr. McDonald had sold his interest, is incorrect, as Mr. McDonald had no interest therein. Owing to the ditches in the Dawson flat and the continuance of fine weather it is becoming not at all uncommon to hear of hill residents coming down from their homes out of the west. The Anglo-American hospital has become a thing of the past, all its furnishings having been purchased by the management of the Good Samaritan hospital for the use of that institution. The boys have gone into training for the athletic competitions to be arranged for the celebration of the Queen's birthday on the 24th. Already some good records in jumping have been made. Loose horses around town are bothering caches more or less. Why anyone would turn out horses when there is not a green thing on the townside is past finding out. Losers of hay and oats are contemplating impounding the hungry beasts. The boring for artesian water near the Klondike has progressed to bed rock, this having been reached in thirty-seven feet. The ground was still frozen, and an atom of ice being made to sink through the rock below the frost to a strata of running water. The New Pavilion was opened Thursday night. A structure of lumber has replaced the one of canvas and is considerable of an improvement though many miss the airiness of the old building. The new managers are John Manning and James Doherty. A Nugget employe had the unexpected pleasure of handling a fortune of \$150,000 on Tuesday. It was in the form of new \$50 bank notes for the Canadian Bank of Commerce, printed two on a sheet, and these were cut in twain, \$5,000 at a time, on the Nugget paper cutter. A year ago slabs were worth 25c apiece and only a limited quantity could be secured for keeping horses and wagons out of the bottom. It was in the Dawson flat. This year there is already a mile of streets laid with slabs and edgings and the good work still goes on. The government has not yet received word officially of the change in the royalty regula-

tions raising the exemption from \$2500 to \$5000. By a provision of the regulations they do not become operative until they have been received here officially and have been posted up in the office.

The scramble for places for the erection of business buildings by dispossessed water frontiers is the speculators' opportunity. One water frontier is said to have purchased one of the proffered lots for \$250, which he turned around and offered to rent to a dispossessed neighbor at \$2.50 per front foot per month.

Billy Moss' stealings appear to have been conducted on a much larger scale than ever the police had reason to believe; for this week the disappearing snow brought to view two large sacks filled with stolen articles, worth several hundred dollars. The police are trying to locate the owner of the goods.

Barlett Bros. wish to announce that they have not killed any of their horses for want of feed, as they have an ample supply to operate their extensive business during the entire season. The statement to the contrary which appeared some time ago in the columns of the Nugget was somewhat misleading.

"Uncle Andy" the popular street salesman of the "dear little paper called the Nugget," is the happy possessor of a drum major's baton, presented to him by Architect Waukenshaw. Andy was disappointed to learn that there would be no use for the instrument on the Queen's birthday as parades are not customary upon that day.

An unfortunate horse fell on the ice near the foot of the Klondike Wednesday night and, breaking through, was unable to escape. Several sympathetic men went to its assistance, but were able only to pull its feet from the icy water and leave a bunch of hay before it. There the animal lay all night and most of the following day before the aid of the police and soldiers - it was rescued.

Committees For May 24th.

The following committees have been selected from the executive committee to take in hand the proper celebration of the Queen's birthday.

Finance - Messrs Lindsay, Lewin, Liddle, O'Brien, Groschler, Hansen, Vernon, Richardson, Tozier, Moran, Noble, Dan Stewart and Ritchie.

On Sports - Messrs Sealey, McGregor, Lyons, Capt. Ogilvie, Moran, Dr. McDonald, Ross, Fletcher, Woodside, Schwarz, George, Dunn, Hudson, Marks and Capt. Bliss.

Quick British Justice.

During the crush at the New Pavilion Thursday night, one John Daniels nipped a \$10 bill from the pocket of Captain Burstall. A policeman standing by caught his hand in the act as he was withdrawing it with the money. On the following morning Daniels pleaded guilty to robbery from the person before Judge Dugas. Thus within twelve hours of the act he was serving a sentence of eighteen months at hard labor.

Open day and night. The Regina.

Boiled Water.

All winter we have been anxiously awaiting the time when the festive typhoid germ would come forth from his lair and disport himself in our "innards" at his own sweet pleasure. It is pleasing to note that his career of destruction has largely been ended by the education of our people to the use of boiled water for all drinking and cooking purposes. The Dawson City Brewery was among the very first to protect its patrons in this manner, and every drop of water used in the manufacture of their popular beer is first boiled for seven long hours.

Short orders at all times. The Regina.

Open day and night. Rainier House.

Risen From the Ashes.

The "Ottawa" has risen from the ashes and P. Sutherland and Joe Cadeux are once more joining in the smiles of an appreciative public. As "bonifaces" they are hard to excel. On the site of their burned building they directed a building 20x60 feet, the lower floor divided in the middle for bar and games, the whole opening business at the present moment. They are awaiting a favorable opportunity next week to be properly re-introduced to the public with a grand opening.

Later on the upstairs will be finished into bedrooms and clubrooms, the scarcity of material just now, owing to the great fire, compelling the completion of one floor of the building at a time.

Best regular table board. The Regina.

Meals 50c and 75c; clean bunks, good ventilation. Rainier House, opp. A. C. Co.

Ten days to Seattle by the Flyers.

Auction Sale.

Take notice that under and by virtue of the regulations relating to the disposal of Dominion mining lands, there will be sold at public auction, at the auction rooms of Craden, Wilcox and Simon, Front street, Dawson, on the 23rd day of May instant, at three o'clock p. m., the mining properties hereinafter described, and which properties form a part of the estate of David Evans, late of Dawson, in the Yukon territory, free miner.

The following properties will be offered for sale: Hillside claim opposite Nos. 1 and 1A below discovery left limit of Bear creek. An undivided three-eighths interest in No. 29 French Gulch.

Both properties being in the Troandike Mining Division of the Dawson District. The properties will be offered subject to a reserve bid, and subject to conditions of sale which will be read at the time of the sale. The terms of sale will be cash.

E. C. SENKLER, Gold Commissioner, For the Minister of the Interior. For further particulars apply to CLEMENT, PATTULLO & RIDLEY, Advocates for the Administrator of the Estate of David Evans.

Book by the Flyer and "get there." Come and see us, it will pay you. The Regina.

Walling & Tozier. Can be found at office of Steamer James Donville, opp. Phoenix.

Best bar in town. The Regina.

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THE PIONEER OLD STAND RANKE & BUTLER, PROPRIETORS Full Line Best Brands of Wines, Liquors and Cigars

ARE YOU GOING HOME? THEN SECURE TICKETS BY THE YUKON FLYER LINE Steamers BONANZA KING and ELDORADO UNEXCELLED SERVICE SAFETY - SPEED - COMFORT NELSON PETERSON & CO., Owners

Horseshoe Saloon and Dance Hall (Formerly Oatly Sisters) Good Floor and Dances Choice Wines and Liquors J. W. MARCHBANK, Mgr.

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THE OLD RELIABLE Fastest Steamer on the Yukon STEAMER WILLIE IRVING Will be the First Boat to Leave Dawson for the White Horse this Season STAUR & ZILLY, Agents, A. C. Office Bldg.

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THE DEWEY American and European Plan First Class Accommodations. Free Concert Every Evening. Dancing Every Tuesday and Friday Evening. SHERMAN DEWEY, Mgr.

PROFESSIONAL LAWYERS F. C. WADE (Crown Prosecutor) Attorney, Advocate, etc. C. M. WOODWORTH, M. A., L.L.B., Attorney, Solicitor, Commissioner, Notary, etc.

DR. E. B. MERCHANT - Dentist, crown bridge work a specialty. Office, near station, over Pioneer Drug Store.

DR. W. A. RYSTROM, DENTIST - Formerly Chisholm block, is now located on the street in rear of Tom Chisholm's.

DR. J. WILFRED GOOD, M. B. S. R. C. Edinburg; late surgeon to Winnipeg General Hospital; medical health officer for son; Large and varied supply of glasses, Arlington block, First Ave Dawson, telephone 100.

J. B. TYRRELL, M. A., B. Sc., F.G.S., Geologist. Mining Engineer. 15 years geological. Geological Survey of Canada. Dawson.

THE FIRE... THE VOLUNTEERS... Steam For 40 Minutes After the English Any Water - No Acc... Saturday afternoon for... of the investigation... department during... that they refused to... chief at the hands... Messrs. Appel, Hans... fire commissioners... their organization... themselves to Fletcher... responsible for the... engineer, stoker, or an... department. They ha... after the disaster... apply, and the dep... recognize the discharg... The commissioners... having not a citizen... present excepting m... who stayed until... Fireman George tes... engine to a point wh... to the ice, to help... a water hole, to co... and then timing her... water would be thro... nes of hose to the s... hose correctly coo... in the hands of... twenty-seven minute... started, and then af... pped. He went do... in charge of the fire... steam and the fire... too much coal in the... the grates, the fire... together. The fire... rattled," or he wou... in the firebox. Just... brought some sacks w... wood-coal. "Told them... as the coal in the... to let the fire bu... anything with it. ... steam rapidly... reduce variable mois... again there would be... down and commence... and steam we... "pops" blowing an... the time to keep her... corners of the bunk... coal that came from... kept catching hot for... and then left her s... streams of water. E... water irregularly... water faster than t... sometimes shutting... ether, when the... were both dead and... Chief Fletcher told... department, and of... engine crew and the... failure. Commissio... test run - person... water at one of... coal, but knew noth... Had placed the... upon the failure... come down to the... charge of the firing... water at one of... because in his judg... was to lose both en... offered money by an... carried to him dur... Bush said he had... for four wh... there was a very v... from the A. E. com... get the best of... speak of reduc... made no change... Smith shop had be... for the time at... Kellogg had been... by Bush when the... George speak to B... more draft after... more coal in the... Stingle said he w... to the water hole... water, and as the... lance between the... fire was put near... engineer to reduc... there was more dr... left had no trou... steam. Other evidence... analysis of the... declared closed, a... after an argue... department. Joined... Tom Chisholm... bachelor Tom is... not to tell, a... news we have to... columns to advis... morning the jov... ranks of batchel... silent through -... Tom, we are mar... of we speak wh... no occasion to b... of the street wh... the right thing... the Old and Ang... Tom, the high... have had you 1