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We will pay a reward of \$50 for information that will lead to the conviction of anyone...

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From Tuesday's Daily.

THE SCARCITY OF WATER

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According to the predictions of various wiseacres Dawson ought by rights to be entirely off the map by this time.

When Charles I. as ended Cromwell's sea-ford, he felt the edge of the headman's ax and is said to have remarked, "This is sharp medicine but a sure cure for all diseases."

A NEW METHOD REQUIRED.

Upwards of 100,000 men are on strike in the United States, some of them demanding higher wages of their employers...

The effect of this industrial upheaval is being felt over the entire country, the industries of which are being crippled...

At this stage and with the end of the season now closing, it is well to give serious consideration to what has been done in other parts of the world...

For instance, as a consequence of the strike now in progress in San Francisco shipping is tied up, and hundreds of farmers and fruit growers are deprived of the privilege of sending their produce to market.

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We fit glasses. Pioneer drug store.

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NOT JUSTIFIED.

Our morning contemporary is after the scalp of Superintendent Charlson, of the public works department.

Mr. Charlson has under his immediate supervision the construction of the line which is to give Dawson through communication with Vancouver.

Mr. Charlson is the same man who constructed the line from Lake Bennett to Dawson in such a remarkably short time two years ago.

The accomplishment of that enterprise was considered a remarkable achievement, and justly so, for the difficulties which had to be overcome made the task which Mr. Charlson had undertaken an exceedingly difficult one.

The work of building the main line involves much more serious problems than were met by Mr. Charlson in constructing the Skagway-Dawson line.

The country through which the line is being constructed is exceedingly rugged, and in the winter time there is invariably an exceedingly heavy snow fall.

Added to this have been the difficulties incident to the transportation of supplies, the establishment of posts and other equally serious problems which must of necessity be overcome in an enterprise such as the construction of a telegraph line through a new country.

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It was fully anticipated that the wire would be in working order by the middle of the present summer but several weeks have gone by and another postponement of the date of completion is announced.

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Other men have undertaken equally as important public enterprises and failed to complete them on time, but in very few instances have they been driven from public life in consequence.

Enough facts have not yet been brought out in Mr. Charlson's case to warrant an opinion, such as the Sun has given, being expressed.

All that is known is the mere fact that Mr. Charlson's expectations have not been realized. He hoped to finish the line on a certain date and failed to do so.

In consequence the Sun would have him discharged at once from the public service. When the full situation is known we are of the opinion that Mr. Charlson will be able to show very good reasons for the delays which have attended the completion of the work.

Meanwhile we suggest to our contemporary to calm its troubled spirit, and not allow its angry passions to rise in such a manner. It is altogether too undignified.

RUSH YOUR FREIGHT.

The season of open navigation is rapidly drawing to a close. The railroad company ceased issuing through bills of lading more than a week ago and all shipments subsequent to that date are accepted at risk of shipper.

There will probably be five or six weeks yet of open navigation, but the White Pass has taken nearly all its boats out of commission and consequently is in a position to handle only a limited amount of freight.

These facts should be taken into immediate consideration by everyone who hopes to have freight sent to Dawson before the close of navigation.

It has invariably occurred at the end of the shipping season that a large amount of freight has been left in the warehouses at the upper end of the river or stranded high and dry at different points between Dawson and Whitehorse.

There is a very fair prospect that the same condition will prevail again this year. Should there be anything in the nature of a rush for freight accommodations, a blockade is certain to occur.

It will be well, therefore, for every one who hopes still to receive freight, to rush their orders without delay.

ALONG THE WATER FRONT.

The Will H. Ioom, the powerful new boat of the N. N. C. fleet, was sighted at the mouth of the river August 19 by Captain McCarty of the T. C. Powers which arrived here yesterday morning.

The Ioom had three barges in tow, the total tonnage amounting to over 2000 tons. She should arrive in about a week.

The T. C. Powers arrived yesterday morning, 14 days out from St. Michael, with 300 tons of freight and 51 passengers, 17 of the latter being from Nome and the balance from way points.

Captain McCarty reports the Seattle No. 2 towing the Louise's barges into the river as he passed up, and as the Ioom was in sight at the time the two most powerful boats on the river will probably indulge in a race up the river.

The Powers left this morning for the lower river and expects to make another round trip before the close of navigation, wintering in the slough opposite Klondike City. Captain McCarty will spend this winter outside, his first in four years.

The Selkirk arrived yesterday noon with 11 passengers and 192 tons of freight. She returned to Whitehorse this afternoon at 2 o'clock.

The Yukoner, which arrived Saturday evening with 60 passengers, leaves tonight at 8.

The Flora with a scow containing 260 sheep and 64 cattle consigned to Chris Bartsch arrived last night. She also brought 42 passengers and will leave on her up trip this evening at 8 o'clock.

The Lightning, one of the Sullivan fleet, is now engaged as a collier, carrying coal for the N. A. T. & T. Co. She left on her first trip to the mines at Cliff creek yesterday morning at 10 o'clock.

The Wilbur Crimmins arrived last night with a cargo composed almost entirely of hay and potatoes. The return trip will be made tomorrow at 2 o'clock.

The Clifford-Sifton leaves Whitehorse this evening.

Surveyed Out of Business.

The laying out and building of new wagon roads throughout the district has been the means of putting out of business a number of roadhouses which are located along the old trails which in some instances are a mile or more distant from the new road to which all travel is now diverted.

Some roadhouse owners are tearing down and hauling the logs of their old buildings to the road where they will follow the same business. Others are retiring entirely as they are of the opinion that the better condition of the road the less demand there will be for wayside houses.

As many as half a dozen roadhouses have been surveyed out of business between Dawson and Gold Bottom by the laying out of the new road. The same applies to many of the other creeks.

New Hotel at Summit.

Jack Raymond and Nels Swanson are building a large hotel on the summit to be called the Summit Pavilion, about eight miles from Grand Forks.

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Mark Hanna is talked of as a candidate for the Republican presidential nomination. If the Republican leaders want to place Bryan in the White

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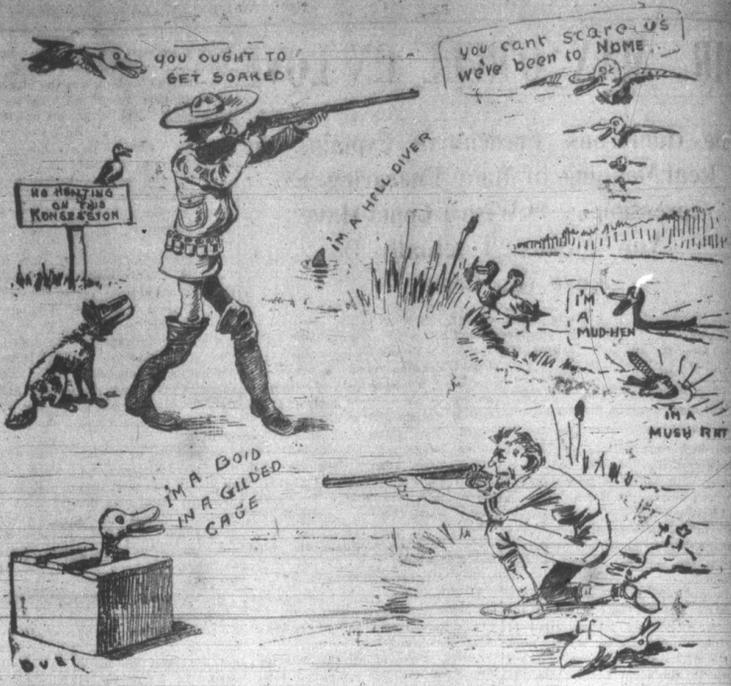
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NIMRODS ARE HAPPY

Season for Shooting Ducks and Geese Opened Yesterday.

Yesterday, September 1st, began the season when ducks, geese and brant may be legally hunted in the Yukon although in the immediate vicinity of Dawson there is little necessity for a law protecting this class of game. Ducks and geese are not numerous in this locality and what few there are appear to be well able to protect themselves from the onslaughts of the gunner. At points only a few miles both down and up the Yukon and on the Klondike, Stewart and other river ducks are found in large numbers and it is to these points that local sportsmen will now repair with all their modern hunting outfits, hammerless guns, smokeless cartridges, decoys, moleskin shooting jackets and a large amount of liquid refreshment. The air will be resonant with reports of guns and an aroma of burned powder will permeate the frost-laden zephyrs. But the old hunter with his muzzle-loader and the necessity of joining the attorney general as plaintiff. The matter has been carried to the court of appeals, and no decision is expected until after the long vacation.

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PELKEY BOUND OVER

Must Answer Serious Charge in Higher Court.

James A. Pelkey who was arrested Thursday afternoon on a charge of obtaining money under false pretenses, preferred by A. E. Marks receiving teller of the Canadian Bank of Commerce, was given his preliminary hearing Saturday afternoon in the police court before Magistrate MacCauley.

The evidence showed that on the 29th of last month Pelkey had made two deposits amounting to \$515.50. As Pelkey's handwriting was so illegible, Mr. Marks the receiving teller had made out a new deposit slip for him and had mistaken a figure 4 for an 8 on his first deposit of \$450, and had given him credit for \$50. His second deposit the same day brought the amount to \$515.50, but by reason of the mistake he was given credit for \$915.50. In the afternoon of the same day he drew out the full amount of the \$915.50, the ledger keeper writing out the check for him as his own handwriting was again too poor to be legible. Pelkey signed the check, presented it at the paying teller's window and received the money in payment and took it away without a word.

The attorney for defendant attempted to throw the blame of the transaction onto the bank clerks, saying that it was simply a mistake for which the clerks were wholly responsible, in which case it resolved itself into a civil and not a criminal action.

The magistrate took a different view of the matter saying that he considered it a very serious offense, the man being an opportunity of becoming suddenly rich by taking advantage of the mistake and drawing the money when he positively knew that he did not have the amount on deposit. Therefore he would hold Pelkey over for trial at the next sitting of the territorial court without bail.

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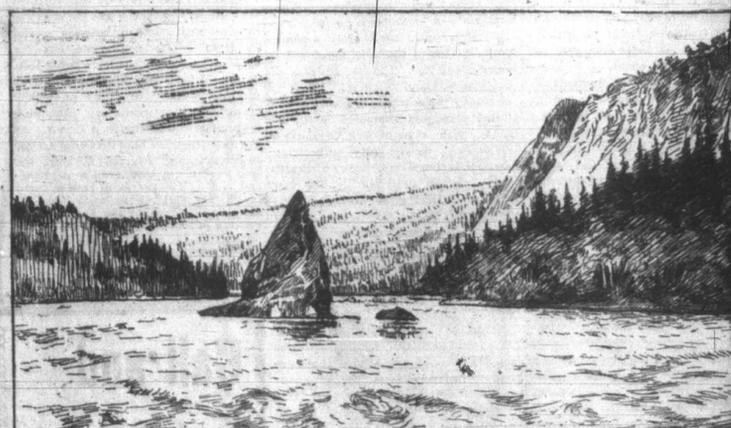
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