

THE MERRY RATE WAR

Two Boats Leave Loaded to the Guards

Creeks Being Visited by Representatives of the Different Steamer Lines.

The rate war which was precipitated Saturday by the smashing of the steamer combine is waxing merry today and there is more excitement on the water front than has been seen for many moons.

Two boats are leaving this evening and both are sold out solid. The White Pass people are dispatching the Victorian, their rates to Whitehorse being \$10 and \$20 and through to Skagway \$25 and \$35.



THE BOY SUGGESTS A WAY OF PROTECTING THE MINERS.

"The miners are the bone and sinew of the country and must be protected to the fullest extent."—Extract from interview with Deputy Minister Smart.

STEEL TRUST PRESIDENT

Chas. M. Schwab Will Retire

His Health Greatly Impaired—Speculation as to His Successor in Office.

Special to the Daily Nugget.

New York, Aug. 18.—Specials from Loretta, Pa., the home of Chas. M. Schwab, president of the United States Steel Corporation, say the health of the great magnate has become so bad as to make it imperative on him to retire from business.

Reorganization of the big steel corporation will shortly be taken up when James Gayley, first vice-president, will probably be made president to succeed Schwab.

Relinquishes Control of Islands.

New Orleans, July 30.—The steamer Condor, which has arrived here from Puerto Cortez, Honduras, brings news that the British government has withdrawn all claim to sovereignty over the Bay Islands of Utilla, Ruatan, Bonacca or Guanaja, Felna and Barbarat, and acknowledged that they belong to the Republic of Honduras.

Great Britain's formal acknowledgements were carried to the islands by the cruiser Psyche, which sailed from Havana under sealed orders on July 17. The British residents at Ruatan were assembled and a proclamation was read to them by the captain of the Psyche, declaring that under treaties made between Great Britain and the United States in 1850 and with Honduras in 1860 His Majesty's government could no longer regard the islands as a British possession and would henceforth withdraw all exercised jurisdiction or claim to the allegiance of the natives.

The population of the islands is almost exclusively of British origin, coming from Jamaica, but there are some Americans from the western states who have recently come in. English is the only language spoken.

The islands do a large fruit trade, mainly with New Orleans. The United States government is the only one having a consul in the islands.

Washery Destroyed by Fire.

Scranton, Pa., Aug. 8.—The Briggs washery of the Ontario & Western Railway in West Scranton was destroyed by fire this afternoon. The origin of the fire is unknown. The washery was working with a force of thirty non-union men. The loss will reach \$25,000. The big breaker is closed, and the firemen at 2 o'clock were making desperate efforts to save it.

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MECCA FOR GAMBLERS

Saratoga Will be American Monte Carlo

Wealthy Syndicate Back of Proposition—Lord Roslyn the Drawing Card.

New York, Aug. 3.—Saratoga Springs is to be the new Monte Carlo of America, and it will be supported and backed by the colossal syndicate of wealthy Americans. Lord Roslyn, the man with a system who essayed to break the bank at Monte Carlo—and didn't—is the great drawing card in this new gambling paradise.

Valuable Information.

One of the leading specialists of Germany has just issued a very interesting circular on the treatment of dandruff and how to avoid baldness. For full particulars see CRIBBS, The Druggist King St., next to Post Office.

Lone Star Looks Good.

The Lone Star quartz mine at the head of Victoria gulch continues to look better to the promoters as work progresses. At the present time a crew of nine men is at work night and day sinking directly on the ledge. They are now down a depth of 53 feet and the ledge continues to increase in width, the greater the depth that is attained. On the surface the showing is about 24 feet. At the present time there is six feet of pay rock and the indications are that it will improve as they go down. Fifty pounds of samples were brought down on Saturday taken from the bottom of the shaft and almost without exception free gold may be seen upon them without the aid of a glass.

Contractor Hepron is in charge of the work and will continue sinking until a depth of 150 feet is reached. If the present showing continues it is announced that a plant will be placed on the ground immediately and the Klondike as a quartz camp will be firmly established. A provisional board of directors is now in charge of the property and a regular company will not be organized until the shaft now being sunk is completed.

The owners are enthusiastic over the outlook, however, and say that the Lone Star is a big thing beyond question.

NO POLITICS FOR THEM

Nanaimo Miners Tire of Being Used

Declare the Dominion Trades and Labor Congress to be Political Organization.

Special to the Daily Nugget.

Nanaimo, Aug. 18.—At a meeting held Saturday night the Nanaimo Coal Miners' Union withdrew from the Dominion Trades and Labor Congress, passing a resolution declaring the latter merely a political organization in disguise. This action marks the death of Ralph Smith's power as a political force in the Vancouver Island coal centre. The Nanaimo union will now affiliate with the Western Federation.

See Capt. Daniels—Auditorium.

A Slum Wedding.

Seattle, Aug. 9.—Cupid entered the King county jail and yesterday secured the release of Kitty Bird, who was serving a three months' sentence for vagrancy. Kitty, who has been an occupant of a cell in the city bastille at irregular intervals for many months past, has at last turned over a new leaf.

She was committed to the county jail by Police Judge George six weeks ago, and had served just half her sentence, when she yesterday sent a message to the judge asking for her release, on the ground that she was about to be married and would in the future steer a course away from the cup which cheers and inebriates. Judge George was a little doubtful about the stability of Kitty's information, but finally concluded to grant her release under a suspended sentence. When the word reached the jail late in the afternoon the bride-to-be arrayed herself in all her finery and started out in haste to find the happy man, who she stated was James Jensen, a truck driver. The couple is expected at the court house today in search of a marriage license.

Saved From Wreck.

Special to the Daily Nugget. St. John, Aug. 18.—The British cruiser "Ariadne" saved a Montreal liner from destruction in a fog off Cape Race, Nfld., yesterday.

My Mother at Auditorium.

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