

ESTABLISHMENT OF WIRELESS TELEGRAPHY ON PUGET SOUND

Port Townsend, Wash., Oct. 17, '03. Importance of wireless communication as an aid in subduing illicit operations. As a result, Collector Ide was authorized to visit Philadelphia, Boston and other Eastern cities with a view of arranging for wireless communication with one of the several companies in that business.

After a thorough investigation, Collector Ide submitted an adverse report, one of the objections offered being the exorbitant sums asked for by the people approached. There the matter rested until Gen. Albert L. New, vice-president and general manager of the Pacific Wireless Telegraph Company, visited Port Townsend early this summer.

With the aid of these stations, when all are completed, Collector Ide will be able to handle the customs business of this section in a manner never before approached. The revenue cutter cutter, which is under the orders of the Collector, will be equipped with an instrument aboard, the cutter can be hailed at any time by the Collector, and vice versa.

This story would be incomplete without a brief sketch of the men who are installing this wonderful invention in the Pacific Northwest. The company is known as the Pacific Wireless Telegraph Company, and its officers are—Eben Smith, president; Albert L. New, vice-president and general manager; W. A. Ramsey, treasurer; and G. T. Swenson, chief electrician.

The writer, in an interview with Gen. New, queried that gentleman as to the company's plans for the future. Gen. New, in reply, made the statement that as soon as the work of erecting the four stations mentioned is completed, the company will turn their attention to the commercial field, and place stations in Victoria and every city and town of importance on the Sound and north coast.

Following this, the system will be extended to Alaska, with a station as far north as Nome. In time they intend to enter the commercial field generally in competition with the cable companies of the world.

This view which appears in the accompanying columns are the Fort Townsend station. The building in the background is the Federal building, on the lower floor of which the local office of the company is located.

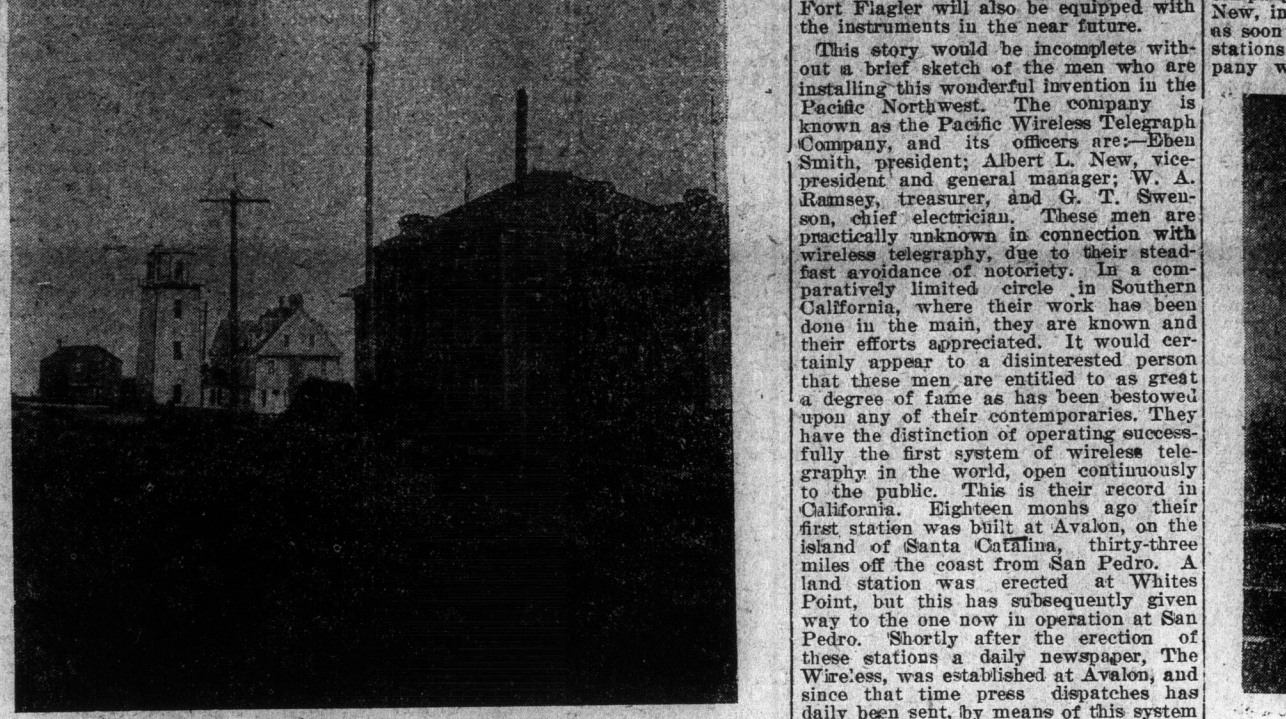


The First Pole Party Up.

From Port Townsend. Two more are to follow in the immediate future, and will be erected on San Juan Island and the revenue cutter Grant.

To Collector of Customs Clarence W. Ide belongs in a great measure the credit for the establishment of wireless telegraphy on Puget Sound at this time. This evening the Collector made a trip to the national capital, and while there urged upon the secretary of treasury

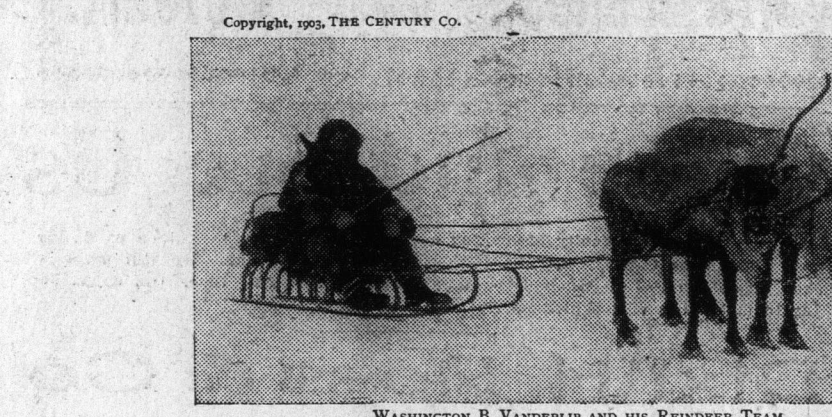
to be used by the government at a stipulated sum only after the company had proved to the department's satisfaction the practicability and thorough reliability of the system.



The Complete Pole.

Interior of Port Townsend Office.

(C. T. Swenson at the right.)



WASHINGTON B. VANDERLIP AND HIS REINDEER TEAM.

TWO MEN AND A BOOK

IN SEARCH OF A SIBERIAN KLONDIKE

HOMER B. HULBERT.

Washington B. Vanderlip, expert mineralogist, explorer, traveler—and hero.

Homer B. Hulbert, a M. F. R. G. S., teacher of English, editor of the Korean Review, historian, ethnologist, and writer.

These are the two interesting characters whose chance meeting during the summer of 1901 in Chemulpo, gives the reading public this fall "In Search of a Siberian Klondike," the simply told story of a brave man's thrilling adventures in his faithful hunt for elusive gold.

The modest hero of the story—it is told in the first person—is a typical member of that adventurous class who have made the name of Anglo-Saxon synonymous with world development.

borne in mind that these risks were taken in the mere pursuit of a duty and without the remotest expectation that they should ever reach the eyes of the public.

It was in the summer of 1901 that Mr. Hulbert came across Mr. Vanderlip on the upper veranda of the Hotel, in the quiet little town of Chemulpo, enjoying well earned rest, while awaiting marching orders from the American Mining Syndicate that is operating in Northern Korea.

He paused with lighted match, turned with a quizzical look, and said: "A geologist's hammer would make a mighty poor pen."

"My instructions," Mr. Vanderlip says in the first chapter of "In Search of a Siberian Klondike," "were to look to the town of Petropavlovsk, on the southern point of the peninsula of Kamchatka, and explore the surrounding country for copper."

One must read the book, 215 pages, freely and interestingly illustrated from photographs taken by Mr. Vanderlip for the story of the scantly rewarded fourteen months of toil, privation, and peril that followed.

Many atolls in the Pacific rest upon a foundation that cannot yet be determined and many others are merely abal- low slabs, formed by high sandbanks, thrown up around a central area.

The last few days were a seemingly hopeless struggle back to semi-civilization. Relief was reached when every resource seemed exhausted.

Mr. Hulbert's life too is of interest, if of greater value. In 1884 the Korean government, through George C. Pouch, chargé d'affaires at the United States legation in Seoul, sent to the state department in Washington asking that three men be selected and sent to Korea to start an English language school.

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TWENTY-FIVE YEARS' WORK OF DR. ALEXANDER AGASSIZ AMONG THE ISLANDS OF CORAL

In a recent report of the Royal Society, Dr. Alexander Agassiz of Harvard has given a summary of his study, during the past twenty-five years, of different types of atolls and barrier reefs—a long scientific inquiry, as one might almost quote Kipling:

Professor Agassiz, like many another scientist, who has made an intimate study of these picturesque, tropical reefs and islands, finds that Darwin's famous theory of their formation does not explain the conditions as actually observed; and without attempting to formulate any new general theory, his report attributes to the growth of each the specific cause which, in his opinion, was instrumental in producing it.

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A TYPICAL CORAL ISLAND. In the Lagoon Rises a Cliff of Volcanic Formation, Encircled by Reefs of Coral.

different conditions of growth of coral islands on a volcanic formation, particularly in the differences between such islands as Guam and Kambara, partly volcanic and partly limestone, and atolls where only a small islet or a larger island of limestone or volcanic rock is now left to indicate its origin, such, for example, as Solo Reef, Fiji, a coral island, on which a single volcanic rock remains near the centre.

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