FAT BOYS AT HOCKEY

Strenuous Game at the Rink Last Night

A Large Crowd Witnesses the Efforts—Willie Bittner in a New Role.

The fat men's hockey match so long advertised, so patiently awaited and so eagerly anticipated is at last a thing of the past and fourteen men are willing to swear that the game of pass and shoot is a most strenuous one. As a flesh reducer it can give long walks and Turkish baths half the deck and then win out in a canter, and as a means of testing one's lung power, all the blowing machines in chrisendom are not equal to it. While the crowd laughed, yelled, hooted and howled the "Midgets" and the "Babies" toiled and sweated as they had never done before and in view of the fact that the players weighed in before beginning it would have been interesting if they had weighed out after the conclusion of the game. It is a lead-pipe cinch that at least fifty pounds of delicately tinted, quivering, pink flesh was dissipated throughout the circumambient ozone during the progress of the game. Perspire? No, indeed, it was plain, vulgar sweat and it rolled off in bucketsful and if the thermometer had been 80 below zero the effect would have been just the same. Before the play was two minutes old their faces had assumed that bright ruddy tinge so indicative of apoplectic tendencies and it was not a minute later until the back hair of several had become disarranged.

The game was scheduled to come off at 8:10 but like all stars before whom the public bows down in worshipful admiration the players assumed the prerogative of popular idols and were late in making their appearance. It was nearly 9 o'clock before the touts yelled "they're off." Cowan's "Midgets" were clad in white sweaters while Bell's "Babies" appeared in the red and black sweaters of the Civil Service team borrowed for the occasion. All wore straw hats of the vintage of '49 and as several were too small for the wearers they resembled a peanut perched on top of a beautiful pumpkin. Willie Bittner was paid a great deal of deference being escorted to his position at goal by a committee appointed for the purpose. Willie did not wear skates, at least not on his feet, and the report that there was not a pair in town large enough for him is a nasty mean fabrication. Instead of skates he wore creepers branded "Dyea pass, '98," which he said gave him a great deal better purchase on the ice. Willie's first act was to turn the net end for end, but the "Babies" would not stand for his labor saving device and he was compelled to again reverse it. Attached to each man's back was a placard showing his weight, though when the official weigher put Referee Cautley on the scales that were placed in the middle of the ice he must have had a fit of the blind staggers. His tag only showed 142½ which was an insult to his corporosity.

When time was finally called Stewart and Cowan faced off. There was a scramble, a scrim and a scream from the gallery and Joe Boyle hit the ice with the same old dull sickening thud that used to characterize the downfall of all the victims of "Little Bureshot, the Hero of the Plains." "Tiny" Burns made a pass at the puck as it flew by him and missing it did a head stand the next instant just to show that it made no difference which end he stood on. Things were getting lively around Cowan's goal and a look of desperation came into the limpid blue eyes of Willie. He grasped his stick with a David Harum grip and as the puck scudded by he made a swipe at it that betokened early familiarity with shinny. Bert Day scored the first goal for the "Midgets" in just three minutes of play and two minutes later it was followed by another by Franklin.

Two goals in five minutes was too much for Bell's "Babies" and they pulled the throttle out another notch or two. Stewart went at it like a house on fire and by a swell combination with Bell and Benest succeeded in nursing the puck to within a few feet of the goal. Stewart shot and missed and Willie threw him down and sat on him. Up to this time Jack Ray had been principally employed in posing glongside the wall. Beautiful calves Jack has. The puck coming his way he awoke out of his trance and pranced around with it like a four year old colt, kittenish like. Hope butted into him by mistake and the referee decided it was an offside play on the part of Hope. The first of the three ten-minute thirds ended with the puck up in the air and Bell saying "Where am I at?"

Five minutes were allowed in which to get their wind. Gat Howard in the meantime had appeared on the ice clad in the costume of a Red Cross nurse, long white gown, skirt and a dainty little cap. He carried a bottle of Oil of Bourbon with which to revive disabled players and it was remarkable how many were knocked out as long as the medicine chest was doing business. In the second third Hope and Franklin came together and they were the first to realize the beneficent care of the nurse and ever after when the gentle faced sister came Hope's way he was sure to be injured in a scrimmage. If no one was about he had cramps and the result was the same. The first goal for the "Babies" was shot by Boyle and a few moments later another was captured by Genest making the score a tie. Cowan worked up a little more ginger and made a run that would have done credit to the Civil Service, though his shot was ineffective. Luebbers and Sanford had exchanged places and the former was at goal. The puck in flight aside the shot of Cowan was very much a la Timmins. McLeod, Yukon's champion heavyweight athlete, now came to the front and Burns got down to business with a vengeance. "Tiny" isn't much on shot putting or tossing the caber but he can do toe spins and ear slides with the best of them. That is also a long suit of McLeod and if Treadgold, the fancy skater, can duplicate some of his figures he is indeed a wonder. An offside play occurred and while the referee was getting the puck in position again the "Midgets" upon the suggestion of "Nanki Poo" Cowan put up a job on their opponents that was calculated to put them out of business in a bunch. In a scrim that followed a moment later the "Midgets" dropped their sticks and each picking a man engaged in a Greeco-Roman wrestling contest, all getting mixed up in a bunch with the exception of the two goal tenders. Willie shook his fist at Luelbers and dared him to come half way across the rink and the latter put the puck on his shoulder and dared Willie to knock it off. The referee succeeded in getting the combatants separated and Cowan was sent to the wall for two minutes on account of his bloodthirstiness. Just at the conclusion of the second third Cowan scored two goals one in quick succession after the other and when the timekeeper's whistle blew the score was 4 to 2.

In the last third Genest scored for the "Babies" as did also Stewart and at the call of time the score was again a tie. Five minutes of extra play was decided upon during which each side again made a goal and the score was still a tie, 5 to 5, and so it remained. They had all had enough and were as shy on wind as they could be and still breathe. Each side gave three cheers for the other and the big thing was at an end with the honors even. They all repaired to the dressing room upstairs and Clem Burns soon appeared with a bottle of elixir which rejuvenated their drooping spirits.

The following is the line-up and weight of the players, and it is doubtful if two such hockey teams ever before appeared on the ice:

Cowan's "Midgets"—Goal, W. W. Bittner, 317; Dick Cowan, 212; coverpoint, Constable Burns, 224; forwards, C. W. Franklin, 217; Bert Day, 220; Jack Ray, 230; George McLeod, 246.

Bell's "Babies"—Goal, Geo. Luebbers, 252; point, F. X. Genest, 210; coverpoint, Corporal Bell, 212; forwards, H. A. Stewart, 250; Joe Boyle, 219; W. B. Sanford, 217; Percy Hope, 210.

Score, 5 to 5.

Referee, R. W. Cautley.

TEMPERATURE DROPS

Colder All Along the Yukon Today

There has been a considerable change in the weather in the past 24 hours. The thermometer, which showed a tendency to rise yesterday morning took a tumble last night, and only one station reported today a temperature above zero.

The report for today is as follows:

Atlin—clear, calm, zero.

Lower Lebarge—clear, calm, 5 below.

Hootalinqua—partly cloudy, calm, 5 above.

Big Salmon—cloudy, calm, 5 below.

Yukon Crossing—clear, calm, 14 below.

Selkirk—clear, calm, 18 below.

Selwyn—clear, calm, 22 below.

Stewart—clear, calm, 19 below.

Ogilvie—clear, calm, 20 below.

Dawson—clear, light south wind, 12 below.

Fortymile—clear, calm, 22 below.

Europe Interested

Washington, Jan. 24.—Europe is beginning to show interest in the scientific food tests that are being conducted by Dr. Wiley on his "poison squad." Herr Schick, the agricultural and forestry expert of the German embassy, has asked Dr. Wiley for information as to the results of the tests. Information was refused. Dr. Wiley doesn't intend to reveal any of his carefully guarded secrets. Other governments are also asking questions. The German inquiry is prompted by the fact that American cured meats were recently excluded from Germany on the ground that they were preserved with borax, which Dr. Wiley is feeding to his boarders.

Power of Attorney Blanks for the Tanana—Nugget Office.

Job Printing at Nugget office.

Job Printing at Nugget office.

SAWMILL FOR TANANA

Messrs. Carroll and Parker Will Leave

With Saw Mill Having Capacity of 8,000 to 10,000 Feet Per Day

One of the two towns located at the scene of the new Tanana stampede, Fairbanks or Chena, is to be augmented by a complete saw mill plant which it is the expectation of the owners, if their calculations do not miscarry, to have in active operation before the opening of navigation. The saw mill which will have a capacity of 8,000 to 10,000 feet per day is being taken in by Messrs. Carroll and Chas. Parker, and is complete in every particular.

The outfit which Messrs. Carroll and Parker will take with them will be the largest that has yet started from Dawson and will consist, besides the boiler and machinery for the mill which will weigh nearly two tons, of a large supply of hay and feed for their horses as well as a several months' outfit of provisions.

Four men besides the owners will accompany the outfit and assist in the installation and operation of the plant.

The freight has been equally divided and each team will have a sled and one or two trailers, each packed lightly and concisely and arranged in such a manner that the teams may be doubled up when difficult places are encountered.

The party have five excellent horses and expect to make a quick trip.

It has not been decided at which town the mill will be installed, that depending largely upon the amount of activity which each camp displays and the outlook for its future prosperity.

Messrs. Carroll and Parker are well known in Dawson and their friends all wish them the greatest success in their new venture.

FAVORABLE CONDITIONS

(Continued from page 1.)

recorder which will obviate the necessity of going to Circle to record their claims and also appoint a commissioner so that court may be held at that point. Upon returning to Circle I shall proceed to the Koyukuk where a term will be held at Coldfoot and later in the summer I shall do the same at Rampart. Then there will be a short term at St. Michael after which a revenue cutter will convey me to Bristol bay near the mouth of the Kuskokwim where still another term of court will be held. I formed a district there last fall appointing a recorder and commissioner and there may have accumulated some litigation there by the time of my arrival. That is quite an important point, it being the location of a large number of canneries and possessing during the summer a population of several thousand. From there I go to Unalaska and thence back to Valdez for the winter."

"How is the government telegraph line working this winter?"

"Splendidly and we have had comparatively little difficulty in keeping the line open since its completion from Valdez to Eagle. Two weeks ago I sent a wire to Washington, D. C., and had a reply in less than 24 hours, the wire being down in the meantime. We have had replies from Seattle in 10 minutes. Our messages to the outside, of course you understand, have to come to Eagle then to Dawson and out over the Dominion line. The line from Nome is finished to Fort Gibbon and will be completed to Eagle during the summer. At the former point it leaves the river and travels up the Tanana avoiding the Yukon flats. The signal corps has been working on the construction all winter and the wire is now stretched into the Tanana country."

Many of the residents in Dawson will remember the stampede that took place to Cook's inlet in '95, before the strike was made in the Klondike, how several thousand flocked there and the bulk returned cursing the country as a fake and no good at all. Judge Wickersham was asked as to the conditions existing there at present.

"Many parts of Cook's inlet are being worked now and what may seem more surprising to you is that the miners are turning out money and the ground is yielding good. There is no Eldorado there but everyone seems to be satisfied with what they are getting."

Owing to a press of business at Valder, A. R. Heilig, clerk of the court, was unable to leave at the time his honor did, but will follow within the next week or ten days. Since his visit to Dawson two years ago Judge and Mrs. Wickersham have had the misfortune to lose a little son that accompanied them on their first trip inside, since which time the health of Mrs. Wickersham has been very precarious. She is spending the winter in Arizona and will meet her husband in the fall at Unalaska.

N. C. Co. | TEMPERATURE | 7 a. m. March 12, 1903,—18 Below; 7 a. m. March 12, 1902,—32 Below; 7 a. m. March 12, 1901,— 4 Above

SAFE DEPOSIT BOXES

Only $2.00 Per Month

Constantly guarded by two night watchmen and one special day watchman. Absolutely safe against theft or fire.

Northern Commercial Company

FREIGHTERS ARE BUSY

Spring Season Opens Rapidly

Nearly All the Teams In Town Are Engaged and Outlook is Bright.

Freighting to all the creeks has greatly improved during the last fortnight but as yet it has not reached the point it held at this time last year.

The freighters all seem very much encouraged at the outlook and are looking forward to a splendid business this spring and summer.

Most of the freight being delivered now is to the farther creeks, the miners there either running low on provisions or putting in an early supply for their summer work.

It has been the custom in previous years, and this year promises to be no exception, for the miners to leave the ordering of their summer's supply until the snow commences to thaw and then there is a general rush and the freighters are taxed to their utmost capacity to supply the demand.

Rates are slightly advanced over last year owing no doubt to the fact that two of last year's firms have suspended business and the further fact that many horses have been taken out of the country, most of them pressed into service in the Tanana stampede.

Gibson & Monroe arrived last night over the ice with ten head of mules and two horses and the entire bunch was bought by Jas. E. Wilson, the south end freighter, this morning. Mr. Wilson has just completed a large wood contract for the Treasure Hill Mining Co. and has also completed a contract of 150 tons of machinery for the same company.

The Dawson Transfer Co. will start teams tomorrow morning, taking machinery for the steamer Thistle of the Merchants Transportation Co.

The Orr & Tukey Co. find a general increase both in the stage and freighting business with the outlook exceedingly bright for the summer.

The indications point to an unusual amount of work to be done on the creeks this summer and the freighters are now making preparations to handle the traffic which it is thought will be as large if not larger than formerly.

Laud Mr. Chamberlain

New York, Feb. 26.—The departure of Mr. Chamberlain from Cape Town is the theme of laudatory articles in the press on the results of his mission, says the Tribune's London correspondent, cabling today. Even the radical journals give him credit for indefatigable energy and statesmanlike qualities in a sustained attempt to restore harmony in South Africa.

Unionist writers assert that he has not evaded a single question and that his mission has been crowned with success. South Africans here take an optimistic view, being influenced by Dr. Jameson, who has reported a marked improvement in affairs in every quarter. He has even expressed the confident hope that the progressive party will carry the elections in Cape Colony. Dr. Jameson, who is the real leader in that party, will speedily return to Cape Town.

South Africans here find it difficult to believe that Mr. Chamberlain has converted the Boers and Cape rebels into sincere imperialists, but they consider that every disputed question has been threshed out and that the Dutch are convinced that nothing can be gained by further agitation.

Death of Dr. Gatling

New York, Feb. 26.—R. J. Gatling inventor of the Gatling gun, died here today at the home of his son-in-law, Hugh O. Pentecost.

Dr. Gatling died suddenly in the arms of his daughter Mrs. Hugh O. Pentecost. At 1:15 o'clock Dr. Gatling returned home from a trip down town. Being 84 years of age and accustomed to resting after any physical effort he told his daughter he would lie down. Shortly afterward he commenced to breathe heavily. A physician was called and he administered strychnine, but to no avail.

London, Feb. 26.—The members of the city temple have decided to offer the pastorship to Rev. C. J. Campbell, in succession to Rev. Joseph Parker, who died on November 28 last. The formal election will take place March 2.

Power of Attorney Blanks for the Tanana—Nugget Office.

Beating the Record

Seattle, March 11.—Never before in the history of railroading in the Puget sound country have passenger trains arrived at Seattle in the crowded condition they are coming at the present time. The cause is the beginning of the settler business. Every train is late in reaching the depot from one to eleven hours and the main cause is the heavy travel. Not a coach but is filled with passengers to its utmost capacity.

This same condition is expected to prevail in the business for some time to come, as the reports from all the general offices in St. Paul are to the effect that more settlers are applying for accommodation than the equipment can handle. Since the first day of the excursions more of the travel has been coming to Seattle and the indications are that this part of the state is receiving the lion's share of the traffic to Washington.

Will Teach Dancing.

New Haven, Conn., Jan. 24. — In the future dancing will be taught in the Yale gymnasium as a part of the required work in gymnastics of the freshman class.

Dr. William G. Anderson, the physical director of the Yale gymnasium, is responsible for this radical change. He got his idea from the exercises of the ancient Greeks.

The freshmen will be allowed to select dancing as one of the forms of exercise which they are required to take. Two evenings each week will be devoted to it. The lessons will be started with the Irish jigs, then the Irish lilt will be taken up and finally clog and soft shoe dancing.

NOTICE

ON AND AFTER THIS DATE

Scotch Tweed Suits Made to Order

Reduced to $50.

Sack and Cutaway Suits

Pressed for $1.50

Trousers Pressed .50

GEO. BREWITT,

THE TAILOR.

Second Avenue.

ARE YOU GOING TO THE TANANA

If so see us before buying your outfit and save duty. Full line of American Goods to select from including

Rubber Boots and Shoes

Gold Seal Brand.

..LEATHER SHOES..

The Celebrated Cutter and Felder Brand.

Gloves and Mittens

In fact Everything you Need.

See our goods and get our prices before buying.

Sargent & Pinska,

WHOLESALE AND RETAIL

Phones: Store 82, Warehouse 76-B. SECOND AVE.

PROFESSIONAL CARDS

LAWYERS

PATTULLO & RIDLEY — Advocates, Notaries, Conveyancers, etc. Office Rooms 7 and 8 A. C. Office Bldg.

MISSING.—If there is any one who knows the whereabouts of P. Chris Peterson please notify Mrs. S. Peterson, 12 Schuyler avenue, Kankakee, Illinois, U.S.A.

On March 1st

The office of the Dawson Ry. and Power Co. will remove near the corner of Second avenue and Princess street, in McLennan, McFeely & Co.'s warehouse.

The finest of office stationery can be secured at the Nugget printing office at reasonable prices.

Read the Daily Klondike Nugget

Dawson's Leading and Most Influential Newspaper. The Nugget has the BEST Local News Facilities, Telegraphic Service and Mining Reviews, and is ALWAYS RELIABLE.

The Family Paper of the Yukon

Delivered to Any House in the City for

$2.00 Per Month.

On and After February 1, 1903: