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COMING.

Vice-Regal Party Reaches Skagway on Str. Quadra This Morning.

LEFT FOR WHITEHORSE 2:30 THIS P. M.

Lord and Lady Minto With Four Others Form Party.

WILL BE HERE ONLY 3 DAYS.

Quadra Will Await Return—Party Will Spend a Day in Skagway—Annual Earthquakes.

(From Friday's Daily.)
Skagway, Aug. 10.—Lord and Lady Minto arrived this morning on the British cutter Quadra. They are accompanied by Arthur Guies, controller of the household; T. F. Sladen, private secretary; Capt. Graham, aide, and Sergeant Rogers.

The party leaves for Whitehorse on a special train at 2:30 o'clock this afternoon, where they will board the specially chartered steamer Sybil for Dawson.

The entertainment committee of the Skagway Chamber of Commerce met Lord Minto on his arrival and extended to him the hospitalities of the city, but time prevented his acceptance until his return from Dawson.

The party is scheduled to spend but three days in Dawson and the Quadra has orders to await the return here at which time one day will be spent in this place.

Annual Earthquakes.

Skagway, Aug. 10.—Last night at 8 and again at 11 o'clock there were very heavy earthquake shocks experienced here, the vibrations being from northeast to southwest and lasting upwards of a minute each time. The shocks were not so heavy as those experienced last fall when, beginning on Sunday, September 8th, there were heavy shocks on three consecutive Sundays. It was then that Muir glacier was so shattered that ever since large bodies of ice have been sliding into the bay, thus menacing navigation and rendering it unsafe for steamers to approach within five miles of the glacier where formerly it was the custom to run close up to it.

Dawson's Storage Room.

Business managers, in their correspondence just now are speaking with much enthusiasm of the marvelous growth of Dawson this year, from a strictly business standpoint. Buildings of all kinds have gone up on every street in town, and for the most part this building has not been of the mushroom order, but as well and substantially done as conditions would permit. The most notable activity in any one description of building has been on the water front, which, with one or two exceptions has been lined almost from one end to the other, with large and substantial warehouses and freight sheds, capable of accommodating great quantities of goods.

Among the notable features of the new buildings referred to is the large and roomy warehouse of the Yukon Dock Company built this summer. Its capacity is 1200 tons, which is shortly to be increased to 2000 tons, an increase of 800 tons. This is the result of increased demands for storage, and although the present warehouse has been up but a short time, it is nearly filled to its full capacity. A new feature of this warehouse is its cold storage for perishables, arranged in compartments for jobbers and others who require a place to keep goods which is at once safe and easy of access. These compartments each have a separate door a

key of which is furnished to the center, which gives him a warehouse for his separate use.

The Ladue Co. have room for the storage of about 1000 tons, an increase of about 600 tons over last year. Mr. Botsford, the manager, was unable to state yesterday just what room the company would have when the building now under way is completed, but stated the storage approximating as above.

The Ames Mercantile Co. has just finished a large warehouse, which gives in addition to the two previously built a storage capacity of about 500 tons.

The N. A. T. & T. Co., have six warehouses, with storage room for about 3500 tons.

The A. C. Co. has completed the immense shed and wharf opposite the store and altogether have room to put away in the neighborhood of 7000 tons.

The Sonnickson & Henry warehouse can accommodate 75 tons, and Barrett & Huff, adjoining have a capacity of 145 tons.

The Dawson Transfer & Storage Co. have storage room for about 400 tons.

Craden & Wilcox can take care of 100 tons, which capacity the firm contemplates increasing materially in the near future.

The C. D. Co., with one of the older warehouses and docks, has space for some 800 tons.

The A. E. Co., with eight large warehouses can find room for the storage of something like 7000 tons, without crowding.

The S. Y. T. Co. has just completed a new warehouse on Sixth avenue, 30x100 feet ground space with 14-foot walls, which increases their storage capacity from 700 to 800 tons, making a total of about 3000 tons.

The Dawson Warehouse Company, with a brick warehouse whose ground space is thirty by eighty odd feet, have a storage capacity of about a thousand tons.

Lilly Bros.' large warehouse on Third avenue, which has recently been opened for the reception of goods, can conveniently accommodate 500 tons.

Lancaster & Calderhead have just completed their new dock warehouse which increases their storage room by about 300 tons, giving them a total capacity of about 2000 tons. This will be still further increased this fall by a 50 foot extension on the water front to the latest building which will further increase the capacity to about 3000 tons.

The company is the pioneer warehouse builder of Dawson, having been the first to engage regularly in the business, which it did in the spring of '98, by putting up a log building 20x60 feet ground space with a capacity of about 60 tons.

Commencing with this small warehouse two years since, the storage business has increased in volume till today there are nearly 50 warehouses and storage rooms, with a combined capacity of upwards of 35,000 tons, and most of them, if not all, will be well filled when navigation closes this fall.

To those who say that Dawson is on the decline, this is a most complete answer, refuting the statement with evidences of substantial growth and business prosperity heretofore unequalled in the history of the country.

Where Is Sergeant Cornell?

Sergeant Cornell, of the N. W. M. P., left Dawson Tuesday for Rock creek for the purpose of having brought to the city the body of John W. Bowen, who was killed in a coal shaft there the previous evening; but before he reached the scene of the accident the dead man's associates had started with the body, reaching here Wednesday. On the trip to town the men did not meet Sergeant Cornell nor has he since been seen or reported up to 1 o'clock this afternoon. As the road to the coal mines on Rock creek is said to be a hard one to follow, it is feared that the officer may have become lost, or have met with some accident which disabled him so as to render him incapable of traveling. The missing officer is one of the best and most trusted men in the service, which makes his disappearance all the more certain to be the result of some accident. If he is not reported or heard from by this evening it is probable that a party of police with a guide who is familiar with the trail to the coal mines, will go in his search.

A Deserved Promotion.

Mr. W. H. B. Lyons, who for a long time has been connected with the Ladue Company as manager of its saw mill and lumber interests, has been made general manager of all the business, including the mercantile interests of the company. Mr. Lyons is a young man, but is experienced in business and is very popular with everybody. His promotion to the position of general manager of the big company is but a tribute to his ability and business worth.

Special Power of Attorney forms for sale at the Nugget office.

TAXES
ARE OFF

Says Mr. Girouard, Who Sees No Reason Why the People Should Pay

WHILE THE COUNCIL HAS THE PRICE.

Government Has Refunded Seventy Thousand Dollars.

DAWSON TO BE CAST ADRIFT

By the Council if Mr. Ogilvie's Ideas Are to Be Followed—What Do They Want?

The grievous burden of taxation bids fair to be settled immediately, much to the satisfaction of the property owner.

If Councilman Girouard is not in error the present assessments will never be collected, for the very good reason that there is no further need of the money to have been raised by taxation to meet the needs of the Yukon council.

"Mr. Ogilvie," said Mr. Girouard, this morning, "has received a letter from Ottawa stating that of the \$100,000 spent here last year in improvements \$70,000 has been refunded by the government and placed to the credit of the Yukon council. Regarding the other \$30,000, some further explanation is required, which, if it proves satisfactory, will no doubt result in the refunding of that also."

"With the \$70,000 referred to we have enough money to carry us through without the need of raising money by taxation, and my view of the matter is that there should be none. The people are paying enough already so that they should not be taxed unless it is absolutely necessary to raise money for indispensable expenses."

The proceedings of the court of revision last evening were not altogether without incident and interest aside from the nature of the business before the court.

After Alex McDonald had appeared and said that his hotel was assessed at least \$5000 more than its true value, as he would be willing to part with it for \$20,000, whereas, it had been assessed at \$25,000. Attorney Wade appeared in the interests of the A. E. Co., the N. A. T. & T. Co. and W. J. Walters, and asked for adjournment till next Monday, as it was his intention to apply to the court for a writ of prohibition. He intended to test the legality of the assessment.

Mr. Girouard objected strenuously to an adjournment and it was denied. However, the wily attorney persisted, and found that Legal Adviser Clement was not wholly averse to having the legality of the assessment exploited, and that Commissioner Ogilvie might not vote against the adjournment if asked for in order to give the appeals time to show wherein and to what extent they had been unjustly assessed.

Then it was that Mr. Girouard said that he would no longer form a part of the court of revision, and proceeded to adjourn his portion of the revision business, by putting on his hat and taking his departure.

In referring to the occurrence this morning Mr. Girouard said: "First the court was unanimous in declaring against adjournment, and then, in a few minutes it reversed itself and granted an adjournment, to people who said they were willing to pay their taxes, but wanted an adjournment so as to test the legality of the assessment. I do not understand what they want, but I will not be a party to such childish proceedings."

This morning Mr. Ogilvie was heard to say that it was hard to understand what Dawson wanted, but his impression was that the council would do well to let it go its way, without further assistance.

In other words, the commissioner believes that Dawson is both unreasonable and ungrateful, and don't know its own mind, therefore it should be left to "gang its ain gate" without further attempts on the part of the council for its salvation.

"I did not blame Mr. Girouard last evening," said he, "it was very trying. It was all I could do to keep my own temper and I have pretty good control of myself, too."

Now, however, there is no reason why the white bird of blessed peace should not fold its wings and sit upon the council, the court of revision and the unreasonable citizens of Dawson who are so near sighted as to be indifferent to their fate when the Yukon council shall have cast their city upon the cold, heartless world to shift for itself. The bird might even be given the assessment roll to build a nest of. The tempest in Dawson's tea kettle is subsiding, and if the present news is finally confirmed all will be again peace and good will, and the "Turnover system" of assessment will gradually cease from worrying anyone, and be at rest.

Becoming Prominent.

For the past three months the residents of this Arctic region have been wont to gaze on Old Sol very close to the dead hour of midnight and have, therefore, almost forgotten that there is such a heavenly satellite as the moon, thereby losing to a great extent that respect which should be bestowed upon it for past favors. But of late the moon has begun to force herself upon the public attention and now both moon and starlight are quite noticeable from 10 o'clock on until 3 next morning. The present moon, which, by the way, is full today (being the only thing that can get full with impunity in this country) is the harvest moon to the outside world; but here its light is not yet sufficiently needed to be appreciated or even noticed.

Movements of Steamers.

The steamer Louise left late last night for the lower river. She was detained from her advertised time of sailing owing to delay in inspection of her boilers and engines. News from the lower river will probably be known the early part of next week, as there are several boats due at that time from St. Michael.

The Nora sailed yesterday with a very large passenger list.

The Flora is billed to sail this afternoon for the Stewart. The full capacity of the boat is taken up in freight for the T. E. Co. posts at the mouth of the McQuesten, and Lancaster & Calderhead's dock was covered with the cargo early this morning.

The Empire Transportation Co., which company operated extensively on the lower Yukon last year will not send a boat up the river this season, owing to the Nome rush, as all the available space of their ocean boats has been utilized for that trade. Some goods may come up the river consigned to the company, but shipped over other lines. The ocean steamer Ohio will probably be put on the Oriental run carrying U. S. troops to China. This boat is owned by the Empire company.

The steamer Tyrrell sailed for Whitehorse yesterday evening.

The Clara sails for Tanana next Tuesday.

The Yukoner sails tonight up river. Selwyn reports the passing down of the Canadian at 7:50 this morning.

From Selkirk the Bonanza King was seen going up at 8:30 last night.

The steamer Canadian passed Selkirk coming down at 3 o'clock this morning.

The Bailey passed Hootalinqua at 4 a. m. on her way to Dawson.

The steamer Sybil for Whitehorse, was reported at Hootalinqua at 7 a. m.

Is Now More Careful.

Two weeks ago Geo. G. Cantwell, the photographer, was taking a flash-light picture when two ounces of flash powder flashed before he intended it should. Since then and until the last day or two, George has not been much in evidence except in his bed room, and even there his right arm was in a sling and his general appearance much dilapidated. He is now out, but all the skin is off his hand and the fingers are shedding their nails. When Mr. Cantwell recovers fully, his partner, Fred Atwood, will leave for the outside, probably spending the winter there.

A Dead Weight.

Mae—Bessie must have been shamming yesterday when Jim Strong pulled her out of the water. Why, she can swim like a fish.

Ethel—Oh, but she really was in great danger this time. You see, she had all her engagement rings on, and they dragged her down.—New York Journal.

Diplomacy in the Pulpit.

"Jes' one word," said Uncle Remus from the pulpit as the collection was about to be taken; "dar's been a mighty sight ob chicken stealing 'bout here lately. Now, don' any you niggers dat help steal dem chickens put nuffin in de 'lection box. I ze not goin hab any you 'sgracin de good lawd dat way, nohow!"—Harper's Bazar.

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CHINESE
READY.

Thirty Thousand of Them Now Within 8 Miles of Tientsin.

BREAKING OF CANAL FLOODS COUNTRY

Russian and French Guard While Americans and British Advance.

LI "H." CHANG MAY BE DEAD.

Large Army of Boers Surrender to Hunter—Oliver Will Continue Fight—Dewet Dead.

Tientsin, Aug. 3, via Skagway, Aug. 10.—Thirty thousand Boxers are known to be camped a distance of eight miles north of this city and a great battle is imminent. It is reported on good authority that the Chinese have broken through the canal banks and are flooding the country between Tientsin and Peking.

A Lie About Li.

Shanghai, Aug. 5, via Skagway, Aug. 10.—It is given out here that Li Hung Chang has committed suicide. The report is based on the statement that messages sent to his residence during the past two days remain unanswered. The rumor is generally discredited.

Battle in the Air.

London, Aug. 5, via Skagway, Aug. 10.—Nothing new has been heard direct from the allies now operating beyond Tientsin, but a dispatch from Shanghai states that battle is expected today at Yangtsin, where 10,000 Chinese oppose the advance of the Russian and French contingents who are guarding the line of communication, and the American, British and Japanese, who form the advancing column.

Boers Are Surrendering.

London, Aug. 5, via Skagway, Aug. 10.—Gen. Roberts reports that 334 Boers, with 3000 horses and three guns, have surrendered to Gen. Hunter. Commandant Oliver escaped into the hills in the vicinity of Bethlehem with 100 men. Gen. Prinsloo offered to surrender, but Oliver says he is not bound by such offer and will continue the war. The report comes from Pretoria that Gen. Dewet is dead, having died from the effects of a shell wound received some days previous.

When the Boers derailed a train near Kroonstadt they captured Lord Alington Lennox and 40 men, making them prisoners. Later and at the request of the American consul, they were all released.

Florence S. Case.

The preliminary hearing of Capt. Ernest Jordan who was licensed master of and who was at the wheel of the steamer Florence S. when that vessel turned turtle in Thirtymile river, on the afternoon of July 21, when Mrs. Stewart and 14-year-old daughter and Walter Monastes were drowned, was postponed yesterday until Thursday the 16th, when it is hoped there will be other evidence to introduce which will throw more light on the intricate points before the court. In the meantime Jordan is out on bail in the sum of \$12,000, of which amount he himself qualified in the sum of \$6000 and Capt. Campbell and Cox in the sum of \$3000 each.

Will Locate Here.

Attorney Geo. K. French, who is here in June for Nome and who has since returned by way of Seattle, is a passenger on the steamer Louise, an Eagle, where he has some business to look after. He will later return to Dawson, where his name is already enrolled in the list of American attorneys.