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FOUND GUILTY

Patrick J. Sheehan Convicted of Obtaining Money Under False Pretenses.

HE SWINDLED MISS MATE MILLER

By Selling Her an Interest in the Green Tree.

FOR WHICH SHE PAID \$600.

The Jury Determined the Case Immediately After Hearing the Testimony.

From Wednesday Daily. The action of the Queen vs. Patrick J. Sheehan, accused of obtaining money by false pretenses, occupied the attention of Justice Dugas and a jury in the territorial court this morning. A verdict of guilty was returned within a few minutes after the testimony had been submitted.

The facts of the case appear to be that on February 26th, 1900, the prisoner represented himself to be the owner of a three-fourths interest in the Green Tree saloon and lodging apartments; but nevertheless he secured from Miss Mate Miller the sum of \$600 in consideration of which he transferred to her a one-fourth interest in said business.

At the time of this transfer, the accused was negotiating with W. V. Sommerville, the true owner, for the purchase of a half interest. The defendant exhibited to Sommerville some promissory notes, which were executed by Thomas J. Hendricks, whom the prisoner asserted to be the proprietor of the Oregon store. Mr. Sommerville investigated the genuineness of the notes;

and ascertained that the real name of the Oregon store merchant was Isaac Campbell Hendricks. Accordingly, the offer of purchase which the defendant proposed, was not accepted by Mr. Sommerville; and the prisoner could not legally convey any interest to Miss Miller, nor did he refund to her the money, which she had paid to him.

The accused will be sentenced some time next week.

The case of the Queen vs. Stepovich, accused of stealing hay, has been postponed.

Fun at the Orpheum.

The pleasure-loving people of Dawson are being royally entertained this week at the Orpheum, where a most enjoyable show is holding the boards. The program opens with a three-act comedy entitled "Married Life," which is presented by a strong cast, the leading roles being assumed by Geo. L. Hilyer and Blossom. The play is well written, and is one of the best ever yet presented on a Dawson stage.

The olio comprises all the favorites, including Beatrice Lorne, Cecil Marion, Sadie Taylor, Nellie Forsythe, Gussie Lamore, Eddie Dolan and others.

The program concludes with Dolan's great comedy, "The Jay Circus," which includes everything in the circus line from elephants down to toy balloons, and red lemonade. The play is certainly the most amusing yet presented in the city.

Jam at Five Fingers.

It is reported this afternoon that there is another big ice jam at Five Fingers, and that the steamer Flora which started down with the mail has been striving for several hours to start it, but without success. It could not be learned if a wire had been received justifying the report.

He Also Was There.

Editor Daily Nugget: When last night I read in your paper a letter from a fellow provincial citizen who signs himself "Ontarioite" in which he deplored the manner in which the mass meeting was conducted Saturday night, I was very indignant.

From my way of looking at it, the meeting was the "partiest" I ever saw. It was all that it should have been, and what more could any man expect. I have no interests this side of Ottawa. I came here on the last boat in the fall, and will leave for home on the first boat to go up the river. If I have any interests at all, they are on the side of the government for the reason that my wife's brother, who supports me and my family, has a good job in the office of the minister of the interior at Ottawa, and I, for one, have no kick to register.

This is why the meeting Saturday night was to my liking. It was one of those inoffensive affairs which could play week stands to good houses and told its tent and move on without any one knowing the object which it had hoped to attain. "Putty!" It was a tu-lu. ONTARIOITE, No. 2.

We fit glasses. Pioneer drug store.

JAMES ROGERS

Shot and Mortally Wounded By Nelson A. Soggs, on Gold Run.

RESULT OF PARTNERSHIP QUARREL

The Two Men Had Had Several Disputes

CONCERNING THE PROPERTY.

The Wounded Man Shot Three Times and Will Probably Die—Both Well Known.

Yesterday afternoon at 4:30 a shooting affray occurred on No. 34 Gold Run creek, as a result of which James Rogers is lying at the point of death in his cabin on the claim, and Nelson A. Soggs, who did the shooting, is in the hands of the police.

The first report of the affair reached Dawson early this morning when Dr. Cassels was summoned by telephone to come immediately to Gold Run to attend a man who had been shot. Dr. Cassels left at 7 this morning and is well on his way to the scene of the shooting by this time.

The circumstances leading up to yesterday's tragedy are in substance as follows:

Rogers and Soggs are joint owners in 34 Gold Run, which is known as one of the rich claims on that creek. For some time past it has been known to mutual friends of the two men that bad blood existed between them.

Several disputes have occurred at various times concerning the property in which both are interested, but whether any threats passed between the two men cannot at this time be said. It appears that no one expected that any serious results would arise from their disagreements, as they were considered to be merely ordinary partnership troubles.

Yesterday afternoon, shortly before the time mentioned above, the two men met on the dump on the claim and began a renewal of the quarrel which for some time has existed between them.

One word brought on another until Soggs suddenly drew a revolver from his pocket, aimed it at his partner and fired.

Rogers was standing facing Soggs at the time and the first bullet struck his victim just below the collarbone, penetrating through the shoulder and coming out behind. After the firing of the first shot Rogers uttered a shout and turning ran in the opposite direction from Soggs. The latter, however, was not thus to be turned from his purpose and immediately fired a second shot which took effect behind Rogers' left shoulder, coming out just over the heart. Rogers continued to run and again the trigger was pulled, and what will probably prove the fatal wound was inflicted. The third bullet penetrated the left side near the small of the back, and has not, so far as present information extends, been located.

A fourth shot was fired which did not take effect. Rogers continued running until he reached his cabin, when he went in and sat down on the bed. Soggs went to the police immediately and surrendered.

There were several witnesses to the shooting and they immediately did all that could be done to relieve the wounded man.

There are two doctors in Gold Run and they were called in, but as neither had instruments with him no effort was made to locate the third bullet.

A messenger was dispatched to the mouth of Caribou creek and Dr. Bell, who is located there went immediately down. Dr. Cassels was then summoned by telephone and as stated above left

for the scene of the tragedy at an early hour this morning.

Both parties to the affair are well known in Dawson. A year and a half ago Rogers was prominent in business circles in Dawson, having had interests in several saloons as well as being one of the proprietors of the old Monte Carlo, which establishment he conducted in association with Messrs. Parker & McConnell.

Soggs was for a long time in the jewelry business in Dawson. He acquired valuable mining properties, however, and for a considerable length of time has been devoting himself to the development of his properties. He came into prominence recently during the trial of the famous Butler fraction on Gold Hill, in which case a decision is still pending.

The theory is advanced by parties acquainted with Soggs that he is insane.

Just before going to press information came to the Nugget office by telephone that the police are on the way to Dawson, bringing Soggs with them. At latest accounts Rogers is still alive but not expected to survive long.

BENEFIT ENTERTAINMENT.

For Relief of Ottawa Sufferers Will Be a Great Success.

The entertainment to be given at the Palace Grand theater on Sunday evening for the benefit of the sufferers in the Ottawa fire promises to be one of the events of the season.

A program has been arranged which includes the best professional talent in the city. Among those who will participate are the following: O'Brien, Jennings & O'Brien, Beatrice Lorne, Blossom & Bordman, Miss Tracie and Mr. Zimmerman. The Yukon field force band together with the leading musicians of the town will furnish music for the occasion.

The field force has also volunteered to give a physical drill exhibition which will prove a much appreciated attraction. There will be other strong attractions which will prove sufficiently strong to guarantee a crowded house. This afternoon the tickets were placed on sale at Reid & Co.'s drug store and immediately thereafter calls for them were made.

The boxes and reserved seats are selling rapidly and the outlook is that the entertainment will net a handsome sum to the cause.

The Palace Grand has been engaged for the occasion and undoubtedly will be packed to the doors with an audience enlisted in the work of extending aid to those who have suffered so severely from the fire in Ottawa.

Off on the Creeks.

Frank W. Clayton, secretary of the Board of Trade, having left a competent occupant at his desk, is up the creeks this week on a vacation; also on an inspection and business trip. Through his agency several important mining transactions have recently been consummated. Mr. Clayton is not expected to return to the city before Saturday.

POLICE COURT NEWS.

Superintendent Primrose occupied the chair this morning, but tried no cases. About 30 gamblers who were present were instructed to come back at 2 o'clock tomorrow afternoon.

The case of Doering vs. Menicic & Wilson regarding a quantity of hay, is on trial this afternoon.

Yesterday afternoon the case against Emeline Kicksen who was charged with stealing two combs, was heard by Magistrate Starnes. The evidence against Emeline was such as caused the combs to come to her at somewhat above market quotations, as she was fined \$20 and costs.

Best Canadian rye at the Regina.

Private dining rooms at the Holborn.

YUKON FORCE

Will Leave Immediately After the Commencement of Navigation.

ORDERS WERE RECEIVED YESTERDAY

Privates May Secure Release Free of Charge.

SERVICE IN SOUTH AFRICA

Is Anticipated With Pleasure By All of the Officers and Men.

Major Hemming, in command of the Yukon field force, has received information from Ottawa to the effect that the entire force of soldiers stationed in the territory will be withdrawn immediately after the commencement of navigation. The federal department has provided that privates who wish to leave the service may secure their discharges here without cost or expense.

The Yukon field force has been stationed at Dawson since the summer of 1898, and its departure at this time was not anticipated.

Major Hemming, when questioned in reference to the matter, said:

"It is quite true that the soldiers will be withdrawn from Dawson. I have received a telegram, dated May 1st, from headquarters, which fixes the time of departure immediately after the commencement of navigation; and Mr. Davis, of the C. D. Co., has informed me that steamboat accommodations may be secured early in June."

"Do you expect that the local contingent will be detailed for service in South Africa?" was a question addressed to the major.

"I cannot reply definitely," said the commander, "but I earnestly hope that we will have an opportunity to experience active duty in the Boer war. However, I shall not be aware of the department's intention until the arrival of the next mail."

He Recognized It.

When the long line of ice was passing down the river this afternoon a recent arrival who was standing on one of the docks recognized a corned beef can and two quids of tobacco which he had left on the ice at a point just this side of the mouth of the Hootalinqua where he stopped one day to eat lunch. As further evidence that it was the same ice he pointed out a small bump on its surface on which he had rested his head while enjoying an after-dinner nap.

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