

Another Rich Gold Strike

Miners With Bude Implements Taking Out \$200 a Day at Cape Nome.

Dawson Excited Over the New Strike—Many Will Stampede.

Attempted Murder at Atlin—Exciting Times on Dawson Creeks.

Americans Think That the Comparison of Flags is Odious.

Steamer Danube, Capt. Meyers, is back from the North. She brings news that the anticipated early runs of the river steamers are "off" for the time being, as the northern country has experienced another cold spell and the thaw is not yet. A change was daily anticipated and the travel will soon begin again.

Perhaps the most interesting news received by the steamer was of new and exceedingly rich discoveries of gold at Cape Nome, near St. Michaels. Miners who have reached Skagway from Dawson say that hundreds will go down to the new fields from there. There are several river steamers at Dawson which will start down the river at the very first opportunity. Just how soon the steamers from Dawson will reach Cape Nome is problematical. The Yukon is free of ice before St. Michaels harbor is clear; but an anchorage near Cape Nome may be open before St. Michaels is free, and it is expected that hundreds will rush northward by steamer. The strike which has created so much excitement in the northwest is on Snake river and its various tributaries. It is about twenty miles from Cape Nome and one hundred and twenty miles north of St. Michaels. It is just outside the United States military reservation near St. Michael. The ground is all American territory and is comparatively easy of access, being on the coast.

The miners already on the ground are using ordinary packing cases and cracker boxes for rockers and with these crude implements work out \$200 a day. There are stories of claims that run to even \$1,000 a day. Bedrock is down only six feet and the ground pays from the first scratch made in its surface. The people of St. Michael are in a frenzy over the new diggings. Corporations were formed as soon as reports of the discoveries were received. Employees of the Alaska Commercial Company at once sent two men out of the snowbound region to order supplies and lumber necessary for working the claims they have taken.

In October of last year the miners of Snake river organized the new mining district. The name chosen was Cape Nome mining district. The outlines of the new goldfields were fixed as follows: Extending from Cape Nome in a north-westerly direction along the coast for twenty-five miles inland, making a district twenty-five miles square. It was decided that placer claims shall be located 1,200 feet by 600 feet. Claims may be located by power of attorney, but this power of attorney must be recorded prior to the location notices. All claims must be recorded within forty days after the notice is posted. It was decided that water used for mining or otherwise taken from the natural watercourse must be turned back into the natural watercourse at the lower end of each claim. Dr. A. N. Kittleson was elected district recorder for the term of two years, his fees to be \$2.50 for recording any kind of a document.

Officials of the Alaska Commercial Company, although somewhat conservative in their estimate of the value of the new diggings, admit that another rich district has been opened. Their representatives send these reports of the strike, and they believe another such rush as that which marked the stampede to Dawson City will be seen next spring. They do not know the extent of the rich deposits as the district has not been thoroughly gone over by any one. That their employees have faith in the strike they believe is evidenced by the fact that they sent out two representatives with authority to turn all the money due them from the company into supplies and lumber.

The new diggings are said to be part of a strongly defined belt which includes the Klondike country, the Fifty Mile, Circle City mines, the Koyukuk strikes and thence on through this Snake river region into Siberia.

According to advices received at Dawson men from the surrounding country have been flocking to the new district since early in December. The big rush from the outside world is expected as soon as the navigation will permit. There is a great scarcity of wood for fuel and other purposes, the only available wood being that which drifts ashore. Men are already sawing this against the time when the demand for it will be so great as to make it command a fancy price. It is expected a camp of 3,000 people will be on the ground before many months. All the ground in the vicinity of the point of discovery has been staked, including the land on the creek emptying into the Snake river on the east side.

Cape Nome is the extreme southern point of the peninsula which extends to Cape Prince of Wales, which is the eastern point of Behring Strait in the north and Norton Sound on the south. The ships and steamers make Cape Nome and then stand in to St. Michael to avoid the shoal water caused by the discharge of debris from the Yukon river. The country about here has not been prospected, the efforts of the miners being for many years directed to inland points and along the Yukon river. The present strike here will result in a thorough prospecting of the coast region and inland from the shore line on all sides of Norton Sound.

The new district will be comparative-

ly easy of access as soon as the ice breaks next month. Vessels of any draught can reach a point of the coast, though the bluffs are said to be sheer and the anchorage ground a dangerous one. Small stern-wheel steamers can navigate the Snake river, along which the new diggings are located, thus solving the question of transportation, which has been so serious a one to the people at Dawson City.

News has reached Skagway from Dawson of the following deaths: Mrs. John Daniels, of Seattle, died of typhoid fever at the cabin of her father, Dr. R. G. Caldwell, in Dawson, on April 19th. She was 22 years of age and leaves a husband and young son. She was very well known here. The body will be embalmed and brought out on the first steamer.

Paul H. Lassonde, of Kiona, Wn., aged 32, died of pneumonia at the Good Samaritan Hospital on April 13. John Nelson, of San Diego, Cal., died of scurvy at Dawson. He was 49 years of age.

Skagway was very quiet when the Danube sailed; Bennett, however, was decidedly lively. Her citizens were busy preparing for the opening of navigation. Lots which sold there for \$50 are now selling for \$400 and \$500. A Skagway paper says the provincial government of British Columbia some time ago asked for tenders on the sale of townsite lands at Lake Bennett. These lands were sold a few days ago to the Bennett-Lake & Co. Navigation Company. Rattenbury is the manager of the company.

The population of Bennett is steadily increasing. W. L. Siegel, who has reached Skagway from Dawson brings word that bedrock on Sulphur and Quartz creeks is richer than the placer claims, and the government officials are puzzled as to whether they should be recorded again or warrants claims or not. In the meantime the miners are guarding their property with shotguns to prevent their being jumped.

News comes from Atlin of an attempted murder by a German who lost his partner's eye with a shotgun, blinding him and possibly fatally wounding him. The police have offered \$200 reward for his apprehension. The names of the parties and the cause of the quarrel were not learned.

The Skagway Alaskan complains of the Stars and Stripes on the summit in comparison with the British flag. He says: On the Summit of White Pass within a few feet of each other wave the flags of United States and of Great Britain. To the British subjects no flag is dearer than that of England. At the Summit a bright, new flag flies to the breeze and every night it is taken down by a detail of the Northwest Mounted Police and again raised the following morning. On the American side flies a torn, tattered piece of bunting, all that is left of a once beautiful flag, yet the American crescent who have been long in the British territory and under the flag of England, the sight of the stary blue union with a few tattered stripes still clinging to it, is a dear one, when it is seen for the first time on the way from the interior. Although the stormy winds of many days and nights have whipped it into ribbons; although the bright banner of old England flies but a few feet away, yet the old tattered piece of bunting is dear to them, for all that it represents.

The Summit of White Pass is not the boundary line from the American point of view and that old glory floats there 'due to the patriotism of some unknown citizen. Neither the United States customs officials nor any officers of the government are authorized to keep the flag flying there. But American patriotism cannot down the odious comparison between the care taken of the British emblem and the neglect of the American. Night and day, as though nailed to the mast, the American colors fly. But it is the duty of America's sons to see that the flag is still there. Among the American residents of the Summit can easily be found some one who will care for the flag, and will see that it comes down at sunset and goes up again at dawn.

Skagway should provide a flag for the Summit of the pass. It will not help to solve the boundary problem, neither will it engender an unfriendly feeling between the two disputing countries. The proud banner of old England wave on the Summit until an adjustment of the boundary question places it back to the "thirty mile limit," but above all let us see that our flag is still there.

The Skagway gold excitement has abated considerably. Hundreds crossed the bay and staked claims in the deep ravine that cuts down across the foot of Sphinx mountain. Prospectors claim to have discovered dirt that runs ten cents to the pan. This result was obtained from a hole sunk in the frozen ground to the depth of two feet. As yet most of the country is covered with snow to a considerable depth so that a good idea of the worth of the new diggings is impossible. The discovery party report seeing some fine timber, lots of snow and plenty of rooms to stake claims. However, the steamboat men who carry miners across the bay have earned the most by the stampede.

Among the returning passengers on the Danube were Percy R. Peole, the Canadian customs officer at Log Cabin, who is down to recuperate; M. Nodack, G. Mahoney, of Atlin, I. Marks, of Log Cabin, Dr. Rusch, of Naas, who is down in connection with the Indian manslaughter case; F. B. Bourg, P. K. Lindsay, C. Abbott, P. Laundrs, J. J. McNeill and J. Maher.

The stern-wheel steamer Sybil was assessed by the Danube off Egg Island lighthouse, Queen Charlotte Sound, and the Tees was sighted at Lowe Inlet.

Purser Bishop—the genial Harry—says that both the tramway and railway companies are doing considerable business.

THE FRASER.

Queenslie, May 18.—The river rose three inches here this morning. Queenslie, B.C., May 17.—The river rose five inches during the last 24 hours. The weather is showery.

Lillooet, May 17.—There has been no change in the river since yesterday. Weather cool.

THE MAZET INVESTIGATION.

New York, May 17.—The Mazet investigation committee resumed its work here today. Several heads of city departments were on hand early waiting to testify, but what plans had been formed for the day's proceedings were not revealed by Mr. Moss.

Conference Concluded

Final Draft of Stations Decided Upon for the Ensuing Year.

The Next Meeting of the Conference To be in New Westminster.

Nanaimo, May 17. (Special.)—The final sessions of the annual conference of the Methodist Church in British Columbia were held to-day.

Following is the final draft of the stations for the ensuing year:

STATION LIST—FINAL DRAFT.

Victoria District.

Victoria Metropolitan, James C. Speer (chairman Victoria district); Victoria Centennial, William H. Barraclough, B.A.; Corner's Bryant, supernumerary; Victoria West, John D. Knox; Victoria James Bay, one to be sent (B.E.H.) under superintendent Centennial; Victoria Chinese Mission, Chank Sing Kai, under superintendent Centennial; Victoria Japanese Mission, under superintendent Centennial; Victoria Metropolitan, Sunth, Joseph W. Winslow; Cowichan, G. Howard Osborne, Chas. W. Nelson; Salt Spring Island, David W. Scott, under supt. Cowichan; Nanaimo, financial secretary Vancouver district; Haliburton street, Walter W. Bae; Nanaimo, Chinese Mission, one to be sent, under supt. Haliburton street; Nanaimo Japanese Mission, to be supplied under supt. Walters street; Wellington, Charles W. M. Sutherland; Cumberland, William Hicks; Cumberland Japanese Mission, under supt. Cumberland; Denman, John P. Hicks, chaplain to the Westlans H. M. fleet at Esquimalt, (financial secretary Victoria district); by permission of conference.

Vancouver District.

Vancouver, Home street, Edward B. Scott; Vancouver, Princess street, Robert Whittington, M.A., B.Sc., president of conference, chairman Vancouver district; Vancouver, Mount Pleasant, Alfred E. Green; Vancouver, Chinese Mission, including Richmond, one to be sent, under supt. Mount Pleasant; Vancouver Japanese Mission, including Sapperton and Steveston, Goro Kaburagi; Richmond, Arthur N. Miller, financial secretary Vancouver district; Texada and Howe Sound, Aykroyd Stoner; Maple Ridge, Allen K. Sharp; Mission City, Robert Wilkinson; Agassiz and Hot Springs, one wanted; Atlin (under General Board of Missions), Jaw T. Wong.

New Westminster Central, John F. Betts; Willford, J. Sippell, B.A., B.D., principal C. M. College; Thomas D. Pearson, supernumerary. New Westminster West End, John P. Bowell, secretary of conference; New Westminster Sapperton, to be supplied under supt. on the way from Westminister and Lower Fraser, one to be sent (T. C. T.); Ladner, Elhu Manuel; Cloverdale, one wanted; Langley, William L. Hall; Sumas, one wanted; Chilliwack, James H. White, financial secretary Westminister district; Cheam, William G. Mahon; Joseph Hall, principal of Coquitlam Institute by permission of conference, chairman New Westminster district.

Kamloops District.

Kamloops, Charles Ladner, chairman Kamloops district; Kamloops Japanese Mission, to be supplied under supt. of Kamloops; Thompson River, to be supplied; Nicola, Thomas Neville; Salmon Arm, one to be sent (R. H. P.); Revelstoke, Samuel L. Hall; Sumas, one wanted; Chilliwack, James H. White, financial secretary Westminister district; Cheam, William G. Mahon; Joseph Hall, principal of Coquitlam Institute by permission of conference, chairman New Westminster district.

Kootenay District.

Rossland, George H. Morlan; David D. Hicks, supernumerary; Trail, James Calvert; Nelson, John Robson, B.A., financial secretary Kootenay district; Ymir, James Hicks; Kaslo, James A. Wood, chairman Kootenay District; Sandon, Albert M. Stanford, B.A.; Lew Denver and Slocan City, E. A. Roberts; Grand Forks, one to be sent (G. K. B.); Cascade City, to be supplied; Greenwood, B. Hedley Balderston, B.A.; Cranbrook and Fort Steele, Geo. E. Smith, S.T.L.; Ferale, R. Forbes Stillman.

Simpson District.

Port Simpson, S. Stanley Osterhout, Ph. D., chairman Simpson district; Albert E. Bolton, M.D., medical missionary; Naas River, William T. Ross, M.D., medical missionary; native agent under superintendence of the chairman; Skidegate, C.C.I., Barbara C. Freeman; Port Essington, Dennis Jennings, financial secretary Simpson district; Klaskan, to be visited from Port Essington; Hartley Bay, missionary teacher, under superintendence of chairman (G. R. B.).

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Klahpax, William H. Pierce; Kitzgucla, native agent under superintendence of chairman (F. R.); Hurlwiglet, missionary teacher, under superintendence of chairman (R. H. C.).

Bella Bella District.

Bella Bella, Richard W. Large, M.D.; River's Inlet, lay agent under superintendence of chairman (B. N.); China Hat, native agent under superintendence of chairman (G. B.); Kitamat, George H. Baley, financial secretary Bella Bella district; Kitlope, to be visited from Kitamat; Bella Bella, John C. Spencer, M.D.; Kimsquit, to be supplied by native agent under superintendence of chairman; Cape Mudge, missionary teacher (R. J. W.); Lower Fraser (Sardis), Thomas Crosby, chairman Bella Bella district; native agent (Capt. J.); Cowichan Tribes (Duncan), Charles M. Tate; Victoria, lay agent under superintendence of Cowichan (W. H. G.); Nanaimo, missionary teacher under superintendence of Cowichan (G. R. W.); Nitinat (Clo-0099), William J. Stone; Closoahat, one to be sent (medical missionary); Nootka Sound, to be visited; Glad Tidings left in hands of Missionary Board.

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News was received from Formosa by the Empress of India of a horrible massacre, 120 unarmed villagers being ruthlessly slain and decapitated by a band of Formosan head hunters—Malay savages who inhabited the interior of southern Formosa.

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No Foundation.

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By Leaps and Bounds

Trade of the Dominion to Grow in a Mannish.

Latest Returns Show of \$14,200,000 for Ten Months.

Premier Laurier Reduces the Redistributing—Proposed Changes.

Ottawa, May 19.—statement of trade returns customs department shows was an increase in the of the Dominion of \$14,200,000 ten months ending 30 April the same time of last year for the same period increase. For the month of April increase of nearly \$700,000.

Mr. Aulay Morrison Hon. J. Haggart last night on the Drummond Court made an excellent speech whole situation, showing of extending the Intercolonial, and pointing out bargain which was being John Ross Robertson complimented Mr. Morrison and the minister of rail management of the road.

The Redistribution Premier Laurier in the in the absence of Hon. W introduced the Redistributing said that the object of the to make a total redistributing was wanted was to remove obstacles which had been way of popular government. The principle of the bill to be municipal, county or to be the basis of the road, agreed with that. Sir J. pressed different views would favor the going principles, that was what meant intended doing the most glaring violations moved. It would be with this principle now before the to be made as a precedent after the census. If it large enough to elect one should be included in an ad not cut up in pieces with two or three ranges therefore, had adopted the daries lines and whenever sary to redistribute a col- ing, then that would be a decision and a authority Toronto would be divid- electoral districts and return. Three judges of the Ontario would make tion in Toronto and the of Ontario. A clause was the bill would not come in after the dissolution of the houses, but the work of would go on at once in On- only intended to give bal- ishes to the counties to be- loed.

In Prince Edward Island boundary lines would be- only other change would Brunswick, in the city of a deal of having two men- city and county, there was member for city and one a Public Accounts Com- There was a meeting of counts committee to-day. Sir moved for the presence of W. Haggart, who was book- Mowell, Q.C., who conducted frands cases in Manitoba, brings along with him books with this case. This was Mr. Taylor moved for ac- nection with expenditures of and also that W. J. Christie, send the committee and give con- sideration with his charges' Costigan, Mr. Taylor is also- tenses on government stud- for the b'ader (vide contract paid to H. A. Bate and Com- for Yukon supplies. Mr. Borden asked for con- nected with the Drummond way.

Mr. Platt gave notice of a sub-committee of public ac- into the difference of opinion between the auditor-general and No Foundation.

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