

VACCINE VIRUS

Is The Only Weapon With Which To Combat Smallpox

SAYS DR. W. A. RICHARDSON

Who Advances Reasons Why It Spreads Most In Winter

DIFFICULTY IN DISINFECTING

Is Fearful That Future Spread Will Be Hard To Prevent—Vaccinate The Children.

From Thursday and Friday's Daily. Apropos of the fact that politics and smallpox are the paramount subjects of discussion in Dawson at the present time, and feeling that information on the latter subject is more eagerly sought after, a Nugget representative yesterday evening called at the office of Dr. W. A. Richardson and informed that gentleman that he had called to learn something about the habits, customs and preventatives of the disease. In answer to a question as to what produces smallpox, Dr. Richardson said:

"Smallpox is produced by a distinct germ or microbe, which science has yet failed to satisfactorily define. Like the majority of other germs, aside from those of yellow fever, they are but little effected by either heat or cold. Many believe that cold weather will annihilate typhoid and other fever germs, but usually such is not the case. The cold may render them inactive, as it certainly does in cases of malaria, but under similar conditions the malaria will again prevail as soon as the weather becomes warm again.

"Smallpox is usually more contagious in cold weather for the reason that conditions are then more favorable. For instance, in the winter time a person enters a room where there is a case of smallpox, although it may not at the time be known that it exists. On leaving the room he closely buttons up his coat and there is absolutely no chance for the germs to be blown away until he enters another room, unbuttons his clothes and allows the imprisoned germs access to the air, when they will infect all with whom they come in contact.

"Another thing; in the winter season people crowd around stoves in public places; the rooms are illy ventilated and foul smelling, and the disease germs have an opportunity for spreading and contaminating everybody present. One of the greatest disinfectants is the open air. I once knew an old doctor, a quarantine officer in Ontario, who invariably, after visiting a smallpox patient, would take a long drive in the open air with his coat unbuttoned and swinging to the breeze. It may have been an old-fashioned mode of disinfecting, but it is a fact that he never spread any infection."

When asked what his opinion of the smallpox situation in Dawson is at the present time, Dr. Richardson said:

"Notwithstanding the fact that the health officer and board of health will do all in their power to stamp out the disease, I fully anticipate a number of new cases for the reason that there is no telling how many centers have been infected. There are cases at the Forks, and people who have there been exposed have doubtless gone on to the other centers, Dominion, Sulphur, Hunker and all around. We do not know how many of them have come to Dawson; therefore, there is no telling where the next case will develop.

"As to disinfecting houses where the disease has been known to exist, it is easy in a country where the houses are plastered and the walls may be easily washed, but with the class of buildings we have in this country, many of them 'chinked' with moss, the only thorough way to disinfect them is to burn them to the ground."

"Doctor, what experience have you had in the treatment of smallpox cases?"

"In 1892," replied Dr. Richardson, "I had charge of the smallpox hospital in Dawson. It was then that I realized the full benefits of vaccination. Of the cases where the patients had never been vaccinated 33 per cent of them proved fatal, and where the patients had been vaccinated the fatalities were only 1 per cent.

"Six weeks previous to the breaking out of smallpox in Victoria," continued Dr. Richardson, "I vaccinated my own child, which was but 18 months old, but which was very healthy—I had a tip there was danger of a smallpox epidemic—and from the virus taken from my child's arm I vaccinated the entire hospital corps. When I took charge of the smallpox station I took with me 33 attendants, all of whom had but recently been vaccinated, and not one of the 33 took the disease. Of over 150 patients we lost 14, and they, with but two exceptions, were persons who had never been vaccinated.

"I don't care to appear as a crank on the subject of vaccination for the reason that people will say, 'Oh, he has some points and wants to advertise himself and make some money,' but I honestly think that people who will not have their children vaccinated are criminally negligent and should be required by law to do so at once, as vaccination is the only known means which successfully combats the plague."

POLICE COURT NEWS.

"The Frenchman likes his native wine, The German likes his beer, The Irishman likes his whisky straight Because it gives good cheer; The Englishman likes his 'alf and 'alf Because it makes him frisky; But they all go back on their favorite drink And take hooch instead of whisky."

Magistrate McDonell was greeted by a full house this morning, all but two of the interested attendants being there on account of the various brands of bottled goods kept on sale at the Dawson paint stores.

Ole Tatley, in the effervescence incident to the boisterous brand, created a disturbance at the Olympic saloon and spent the greater part of last night at the barracks. It took \$10 and costs to square Ole with justice.

When John Milone was up six weeks ago charged with having been drunk he was let off on the plea that he had not previously touched a drop for three years. At that time his coat was torn and he looked seedy. This morning the rent in his coat gave evidences of growth and his appearance warranted the conclusion that the soap boycott so far as John is concerned, is still on. He was assessed \$20 and costs for being drunk in the Aurora saloon yesterday evening.

John Kinskey had gone up against the slumber brand with the usual result—Morpheus embraced him and, regardless of declining mercury, he went to sleep on the sidewalk. Kinskey, who is a Finlander, took it as a huge joke when he got off on payment of \$5 and costs.

Jack Warner also preferred the slumber brand and lay down to peaceful slumber on the river bank. If Jack could not drink any more rapidly than he can talk, he would die of thirst even in a brewery, his impeding of speech being very great. He managed, however, to make a good plea for himself and when Magistrate McDonell dismissed the case everybody felt like applauding the humane decree.

Thos. Manly had indulged in an entirely new brand, the effects of which cause a man to tear paper off walls. Thomas was dismantling the Hotel Northern and allowing the bare walls to stand out in bold relief when arrested. He liquidated a fine of \$10 and costs.

J. T. Connors, the most elderly man on the list, had been the gayest of them all. He had bought wine in a box at the Standard and, having no use for empty bottles, had tossed them down among the dancers. He acknowledged he had done so, and said he had become mad because he had bought wine for a girl and she had gone away and left him alone in the box after drinking his wine; and that is why he tossed bottles. A fine of \$20 and costs was imposed on the gay old Lothario.

William Winter, who all season has been employed by the N. A. T. & T. Co., as steward on its steamer John C. Barr, was arrested last night in company with Geo. W. Vine by Constable Piper with a sack containing 15 cans of crystallized eggs and seven jars of beef extract in their possession, the property having been taken by them from the steamer Barr which is lying at its company's dock. Manager Delaney, of the company, Capt. Abbott and Purser Frazier, of the Barr, each identified the goods. Both young men were bound over to the higher court in the sum of \$2000, and in default of bond, both are repining in jail.

In police court this morning it was the fighting brand that had been indulged in. Wm. Ballenger and John Cline had, to use an expression current "Way down upon the Suwanee river, each absorbed 'three fingers in a foot tub' of the fighting brand, but neither had marred the other's countenance to any large sized extent. They pleaded guilty and were each fined \$10 and costs or ten days' exercise on upwards of 1000 cords of harsh looking wood that is provided for the royal fuel works.

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ENGLISH ELECTION

Was Very Tame, Sixty Six Candidates Having No Opposition.

WOULD DEFRAND BANK OF HALIFAX.

Norwegian and Jap Steamers Collide—Heavy Loss Of Life.

MINER'S STRIKE IS STILL ON.

Herbert Duncan Says Dawsonites Are all Good Boys Together—Jack Wade Cases Settled.

London, Oct. 1, via Skagway, Oct. 5.—The returns of the recent election show that 66 candidates were returned unopposed. Of this number 59 are Ministerialists, 5 are Liberals and 2 are Nationalists. Viscount Cranbourne, the oldest son of Marquis Salisbury, and a Conservative, was re-elected from Rochester borough, which for many years was represented by the celebrated John Bright.

On a Serious Charge.
Montreal, Sept. 30, via Skagway, Oct. 5.—Alex McCullough, of the Croil-McCullough Dairy Co., and D. J. McGillis, secretary of the Cold Storage Co., have been arrested for conspiracy to defraud the Merchants' Bank of Halifax out of \$220,000 by false warehouse receipts. Both are held on bail in the sum of \$10,000.

Moses Davies, customs agent at Montreal, has assigned. His liabilities are \$90,000, assets, \$5000. He is under arrest on several charges.

Steamers Collide.
Nagasaki, Sept. 30, via Skagway, Oct. 5.—The Norwegian steamer Calanda and the Japanese steamer Ise Maru collided off Two Shima during a heavy fog. The Calanda sunk with 45 passengers and her crew, all of whom were drowned.

Strike Still On.
Philadelphia, Oct. 1, via Skagway, Oct. 5.—There is no hope of early adjustment of the trouble between the Associated Mine Workers and the owners and operators. The foreign miners at Hazleton complain of being destitute and threaten to return to work.

After Minto's Visit.
Victoria, Oct. 1, via Skagway, Oct. 5.—J. Herbert Duncan just returned from Dawson, tells the Daily Times that after the visit of Lord Minto to Dawson there was a very visible change in all business circles; that previous to his excellency's visit there was a strained and unfriendly feeling existing between the British and American residents who now entertain entirely different feelings, and that on this account business has very materially improved in the Klondike metropolis.

Dead Premier Lamented.
Montreal, Sept. 30, via Skagway, Oct. 5.—The funeral of the late F. G. Marchand, premier of Quebec, was probably the most largely attended of any ever held in the province. Interment was in the Belmont cemetery.

Jack Wade Cases.
Skagway, Oct. 5.—The last Jack Wade case which, when heard last week resulted in a jury disagreement and which was retried and ended today, resulted in a verdict for Hauge, the defendant, and concerns claim No. 4 above discovery. Attorney Jennings made an

eloquent plea, his strong point being that plaintiff Hauge never put a pick in the ground, while defendant Hauge had developed the ground. The jury was out only three hours. Of the four cases tried, three have been won by the defendants. The fact that the plaintiffs staked by power of attorney, while the defendants prospected and developed the claims previous to staking, was the winning point for the defendants with the Skagway juries. The property in litigation is estimated to be worth one million dollars.

A new gold strike has been made at the forks of the Chilkat river, 50 miles back from Haines Mission and over 200 claims have been located. The new boundary modus vivendi puts the new field, which is believed to be very rich, in British Columbia.

There is no accumulation of freight here at present and there are only 200 tons at Bennett. At Whitehorse there are 1000 tons, but there is no doubt, say the railroad people, but that it will all be landed in Dawson before navigation closes.

Moosehide Stamped.
In the soft pearly gray of the early morning, Moosehide was descended upon, and the hills back of the peaceful hamlet swarmed over by ruthless seekers after peli.

That happened this morning, and kept right on happening up till noon today, when it is said several hundred would-be claim owners had arrived on the scene of the reported strike, and everything with enough substance to raise a spear of grass had been staked. The fog banks lifted early, or they would have been staked and recorded and thereby prevented from getting away. Who the alleged discoverer of gold in the vicinity of Moosehide is not known yet, but it is said that good yellow gold in quantities which would pay to work for, were found some five weeks since on the bench back of Moosehide, and that, after the way of those who inaugurate stampedes, the discoverer kept the fact darkly secret till last night when the news burst upon the multitude, and the wild rush of the morning resulted.

Whether or not there is really any good foundation for the stampede is a matter to be developed by future events. At present all that is sure is that a lot of people went there and staked the land, and that Moosehide has had a sensation.

New Mining Divisions.
Judge Noyes, by an order of court has created two new mining districts in the northwestern portion of Alaska. The names of the divisions are the Arctic and the Good Hope.

Mr. Charles A. Gay has been appointed United States commissioner and ex-officio recorder for the Arctic district. Its boundaries are as follows: Commencing at the mouth of the Arctic river, thence in a southerly direction on the westerly watershed of said Arctic river to the peak of the main range of mountains; thence westerly following the range of mountains where the original western boundary line of the York mining district crosses said main range; thence north and westerly to the shore of the Arctic ocean; thence following the shore line in an easterly direction to the point of beginning.

Mr. Wm. S. Thompson was appointed United States commissioner and recorder for the Good Hope district, the boundaries of which are as follows: Commencing at the mouth of the Good Hope river and running thence in a westerly and southerly direction on the westerly watershed of said Good Hope river to the peak of the main range of mountains; thence following the peak of the main range of mountains to the westerly watershed of the Arctic river; thence following the westerly watershed of the Arctic river in a northerly direction to the mouth of said river; thence following the meanderings of the northern shore of the district of Alaska in a northerly and easterly direction to the point of beginning.—Nome News.

Hanse Declared Innocent.
During the afternoon session of the territorial court yesterday the argument of the council were heard in the case of Hanse, charged with theft.

Mr. Wade paid a tribute to Mr. Bonfield in the course of his argument which, had it been uttered anywhere but in the courtroom, would have been greeted with applause. He said: "Gentlemen of the jury, I defy any one within the sound of my voice to bring forward a man in Dawson or the Yukon territory with a better reputation for honesty, truthfulness and being a white man generally, than Sam Bonfield."

BOONE ON TRIAL

Charged With Attempting To Take The Life Of Peter Steil

IN THE HOLBORN RESTAURANT

Where Mrs. Boone Was Taking Dinner In Steil's Company

TO WHICH BOONE OBJECTED

And Was Assisted In The Row By His Wife Who Punched Steil's Head—Not a Mind Reader.

The Boone case occupied the time and attention of the territorial court and a jury this morning.

Prosecutor Wade recited the gist of the case to the court and jury.

Peter Steil, Mrs. Boone and a lady friend were taking dinner together in the Holborn restaurant on the 8th of September, and Boone who had heard of the fact, went there, accompanied by his brother, on trouble bent, and in connection with the spirit of jealousy which actuated him to hostile deeds, was also the spirit of hooch, some of it being within the persons of Boone and his brother, and some yet remaining in a bottle.

The trouble they were looking for came to pass and culminated in the firing of a shot by Boone, alleged to have been discharged from a revolver with intent to cut short the earthly career of Peter Steil.

The first witness called was Mr. Morgan, a waiter in the Holborn who had laid the viands before the party on the day in question. He told of how the party, who were in a box, were seated.

Mr. Boone and his brother, he stated, came in and went directly to the box and threw the curtain aside, whereupon a mixup occurred. Mr. Morgan had gone to the box and caught hold of Boone by the arms. He held on for about a half a minute to prevent his doing any harm to any one, but about that time he discovered that Boone had a revolver in his hand, upon which he let go. During the scuffle he had moved about with Boone and got near the end of the cash counter. Some 10 or 15 seconds after this Boone had fired the shot. When the shot was fired Mrs. Boone had hold of her husband trying to take the revolver from him.

Witness did not know what Boone's intentions were with regard to Peter Steil or anyone else in connection with the shooting, and told Mr. Wade that he was unable to read his mind. The direction of the shot he thought was past Steil, who was standing to the right of Boone, and down the aisle between the tables.

A chair was produced which bore the marks of the revolver ball.

Mr. Bleeker, who conducted the case for the defense, under cross-examination of the witness brought out the fact that Boone drew a revolver during the time witness held him, and used it as an inducement to the witness to let go of him.

Robert Hamilton was the next witness to give evidence, and said that he had been dining in the Holborn on the day in question when the row occurred.

He saw the struggle between the waiter and Boone. He did not know whether the waiter still had hold of him or not when the shot was fired. There was quite a crowd around and he could not see Boone at the time.

The case is on trial during this afternoon's session.

A Judgment Misunderstood.

In the judgment recently handed down by Judge Craig in the Wade vs. McDonald case, it was commonly supposed by most of those who heard it that it embraced the payment of \$2500 unpaid retainer fee. This was erroneous as the \$7500 retainer fee had already been paid, and was considered by the court as having been earned. The judgment only calls for \$2500 by way of damages, all disbursements by the plaintiffs, costs of the action, and a dismissal of the defendants counter claim.

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