

PREMISES MUST BE CLEANED

Jim Post's Memory Slipped a Cog or Two

And He Was Given Time to Collect His Thoughts—'Just in From Hunker' Worked Like a Charm.

All nature rejoices in the gladness of springtime. Business of all kinds, except dog sledding is on the boom and the police court is found to be in the front ranks of the procession. For the first time since his return to Dawson from Whitehorse Major Primrose occupied the magistrate's chair yesterday afternoon when a number of garbage-in-yards cases were up for hearing. The price of dirty back yards is about the only thing in Dawson, except rents, that has not been reduced by the arrival of snows from up the river. Just after May 10th dirty back yards were quoted in police court at \$5 per, but the price has gone up to \$20 and may yet reach \$50 as was the case last year. In fact, a few went last year as high as \$100, but a few at that price made them very scarce. Yesterday afternoon \$20 was the highest quotation and no decline was noted in the list this morning when a number of other owners of property on which there was an accumulation of filth paid the same price. One very noticeable feature in such cases is that every yard accused of being dirty is "the lowest lot on the block," hence it catches all seepage from adjoining blocks. In the past week fully a dozen "lowest lots in the block" have been discussed in police courts.

There is no denying the statement that "lowest lots" are most unfortunately located.

Jim Post's memory is not so long as his appetite for the double distilled, tripple extract of rye. Just before the little spring birds began to warble lays in contemplation of more substantial lays, James was interdicted for a period of one year. (Holy Moses!) Yesterday the interdiction slipped a cog and James got drunk. When asked in police court this morning where he had obtained the liquor his memory failed him further than that he had started his "store" at home. He had procured other liquor around town but could not remember which particular "paint store" he had patronized. In order that rays laden with recollections might scintillate through his think tank James was taken to the language house until this afternoon.

John Fax, not John Halifax, Gentleman, but plain John Fax, had allowed his dog to run at large unmuzzled. John explained that the dog had escaped from a private pound in which he is kept. A fine of \$5 and costs was imposed and paid.

J. Holsten was up on the charge of being drunk. He pleaded guilty, but said in extenuation that he was just in from Sulphur and had taken "a few too often." He was dismissed with a warning.

"Just in from Sulphur" was a good thing and Thos. Payne, not the old infidel, pushed it along and with great success. Thomas was also charged with having been drunk. He likewise pleaded guilty and said he was "just in from Sulphur." He also was dismissed with a warning.

E. M. Abbot, charged with violating a health ordinance did not play the "just in from Sulphur" racket as he had just arrived from up the river in a boat. He had been very sick. His case was dismissed.

A number of other garbage cases will be heard this afternoon.

MRS. CRONJE GOES INSANE

Troubles in South Africa Continue Unabated.

Amsterdam, May 4.—Advices from St. Helena state that Mrs. Cronje, wife of the Boer general, has become mentally unbalanced, owing to her experiences in the war and her life in her prison home at Deadwood. She imagines that she is the ex-Empress Regenie of France.

Five other Boer prisoners also have become insane.

Mrs. Cronje, a typical Boer housewife, is devoted to her husband and followed him into exile with their child. The women of France, in admiration of her conduct, raised \$600 and presented her with a magnificent heart-shaped locket, jeweled and surrounded with rays of glory, violets and roses.

Johannesburg, May 4.—Gen. Delarey, the Boer commander, now has 4000 or 5000 men in the hills around Hartbeestfontein. Gen. Babington, in command of the British forces in the district, is without a sufficient force to attack and is observing the Boers, while Gen. Methuen and Rawlinson are converging hither. A battle appears imminent.

Cape Town, May 4.—The treason

court sitting at Dordrecht, has disfranchised 370 colonial rebels who were defeped. Of this number 262 were registered voters. Twelve men belonging to the Diamond Fields Horse under Lieut. Mathews yesterday encountered a large number of Boers under Commandant Malan near Cradock. The British fought until all their horses had been shot. Lieutenant Mathews and seven men were captured, but Col. Scobell subsequently effected their release.

BIG ROW IN CHURCH

Consecration of London Bishop Causes Trouble.

London, April 17.—The scene in Bow church today during the consecration of Right Rev. A. F. W. Ingram, as bishop of London, resembled a political meeting rather than a religious service. Mr. John Kensit, the anti-ritualist, entered an expected protest against the appointment. He spoke for some time in a loud voice. His remarks caused an extraordinary uproar, and he was greeted with cheers, hisses, and shouts of "order," "shame," "no popery." Mr. Kensit accused Dr. Ingram of being unfaithful to all his promises when he was consecrated Bishop of Stepney, adding that he had helped law breakers and had encouraged clergymen who, in defiance of the rubrics, elevated the host, offered masses, and preached the confession. He concluded with saying that he was prepared to appear in the courts and prove that Dr. Ingram was an unfit person to hold the position of a bishop of the Protestant church, owing to his encouragement of these illegal Roman practices.

The friends and opponents of Mr. Kensit became so uproarious that the vicar-general tried to clear the church.

Dr. Ingram appealed to his friends to listen quietly.

Eventually the vicar general overruled the objections, and the election of Dr. Ingram was confirmed.

Mr. Kensit was escorted home by a score of policemen and followed by a howling mob.

STEAMBOAT NEWS.

The river today is higher, according to steamboat men, than it has ever been since the flood of '98. Last night it rose but one inch as the weather has been comparatively cold all along the water courses emptying into the Yukon. The Clifford Sifton sails tonight for Whitehorse at 9 o'clock.

The Canadian Yukon Lumber Co., lost 130,000 feet of logs out of a raft which was towed down from the Stewart river by the Sifton last night. The raft struck a bar and broke. About 30,000 feet was salvaged, however, and was brought down by the steamer. During the excitement of the break the mate of the Sifton severely crushed his arm among the logs, but fortunately no bones were broken.

Steamer Victorian will be the next boat dispatched by the W. P. R. up river. She will carry the outgoing mail and will probably leave next Saturday.

The Barr and Hamilton are now at their dock on the water front having been taken from the ways below West Dawson last night. A great deal of trouble is being encountered by the workmen at the shipyard in launching the different boats from the ways, as the bars are continually caving in from the action of the swift flowing water.

Lake Lebarge is still closed, the ice not having gone out.

Steamer Leon sails next Wednesday for connections with the Koyukuk. The Rock Island is billed to meet her at the mouth of the river, also the Luelja and City of Paris, both Koyukuk river boats.

Agent Rogers is now acting as port captain for his company, there being as yet no one appointed to that position this season.

Dick Dillon has accepted the position of wharfinger at the Aurora dock.

The Ice in Lebarge.

Manager Calderhead of the Klondike Corporation, Ltd., received a wire this morning from the company's agent at Whitehorse in which it was stated that the ice in Lake Lebarge is expected to break on or about June 5. Passengers are arriving at Whitehorse by the score and hundreds of tons of freight are accumulating awaiting shipment to Dawson. Mr. Calderhead expects the Ora, Flora and Nora will have all the business they can handle as soon as navigation is open through to Whitehorse.

COMING AND GOING.

Ed. Lang and wife of the Forks are paying Dawson a short visit.

Mr. Ed. Lewin returned yesterday from an extended trip over the creeks.

Mr. Chas. Lamb and wife of the Forks are guests today at the Regina hotel.

Miss Celene of Grand Forks is spending a few days visiting her friends in Dawson.

The Zealandian passed Five Fingers on her way to Whitehorse at 12 o'clock last night.

Mail for Dawson passed Selwyn at 12:30 this afternoon and should arrive at noon tomorrow.

New tubes are being put in fire engine No. 2 today. This will materially increase its power.

Mrs. H. C. Crook and sons, recent arrivals from the outside, are guests at the McDonald hotel today.

H. C. Ingram, ex-councilman of Seattle and of late a resident of Skagway, is among the recent arrivals in Dawson.

Rex Hams, 25 cents, Eldorado Warehouse, Third avenue and Second street.

Canada's Vote.

Ottawa, April 17.—The return of the crown in chancery with respect to the last general election has been prepared. The vote by provinces was: Ontario, 426,083; Quebec, 237,259; Nova Scotia, 107,836; New Brunswick, 68,401; Prince Edward Island, 21,128; Manitoba, 41,780; British Columbia, 26,129; Northwest territory, 23,618. This is a total of 952,496, compared with 835,600 votes cast in 1896.

The largest majority was that of the Premier in Quebec East, 2772, and the smallest that of McNeill in North Brnce.

The number of rejected ballots was 7718, compared with 13,971 in 1896.

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