

AUCTION OF CROWN CLAIMS.

Sheriff Eilbeck Addressed a Large Crowd Today.

Bidding is Dissultory and Lacks Animation—Small Prices Generally Realized—The Sheriff a Good Crier.

Promptly at 10 o'clock this morning Sheriff Eilbeck, in behalf of the Dominion, began the sale of crown claims and fractions as prescribed by a recent decree from the minister of the interior. The sale was conducted just alongside the office of the gold commissioner and beneath a canvass canopy which was erected for the occasion.

Three clerks from the gold commissioner's office have charge of the clerical work, and the receiving of money on property sold.

There was perhaps 40 men present when the auction began, and that number reached fully 200 hundred before the expiration of an hour. Many were there merely as spectators, while others, with an eye to some particular fraction or claim, were there awaiting the time when such property will be offered.

Sheriff Eilbeck is a first-class auctioneer and has evidently wielded the hammer oftentimes before. He is clear and plain in his words, and is a good "coaxer," thereby getting all for an article there is in it.

The bidding, however, was somewhat desultory, the consensus of opinion being that to buy claims that are unprospected is along the same line as buying a pig in a poke. Very few properties were started at more than \$5, and many sold at from \$25 to \$50. Up to the noon hour the thousand dollar figure had not been reached, and very few reached \$100.

Although the sheriff was making a "go" of the auction as possibly few could do in his place, and while he was frequently disposing of two or three claims in five minutes, the long list before him will require him to live a long time to complete, as the provisions are that the sale is to be held one day in each month and continued from month to month until sold.

WATER FRONT.

The Sybil left port last night at 8 o'clock without billing her departure and with a very few passengers. The boats of the company have followed each other so closely the past few days that it was found expedient to dispatch the Sybil at once. The Yukoner sails tonight.

The steamer Ora, which arrived yesterday afternoon, will make her return trip to Whitehorse, leaving her dock at 7 p. m. tonight. The record made by these boats this year is one which their owners are particularly proud of.

The Lully C. is evidently following in the wake of the ill-fated Merwin. She has not sailed as yet.

The steamer Eldorado is billed to sail tomorrow night. The other boat belonging to the company, the Bonanza King, is due today. She is coming down with about 100 tons of freight, including about 40 head of cattle.

The Yukon dock was sold by Frank Kinghorn Saturday to T. A. Davies and William Meed. Both gentlemen are experienced steambot men. The Yukon dock was the first dock to be built on the waterfront. It will be used as an independent wharf besides being the dock of the Dawson and Whitehorse Navigation Co. The sale of this property practically leaves Frank Kinghorn out of business. It is to be hoped it will not be long before he will have his sign out again, as the departure of the genial Frank from the commercial circles of Dawson will be regretted by all who have had business relations with him. The amount paid to Kinghorn for the dock is said to be \$9500.

Miss Tracie's Benefit.

Those who appreciate good music and who did not attend the concert at the Palace Grand last evening missed a good thing of a kind seldom offered to the public of Dawson. The body of the house was a barren waste of empty benches, though the balcony and boxes were well filled by an appreciative audience. Apparently Dawson's music-loving populace is very limited.

The only shortcoming was in the absence of the orchestra, which sin among a few others was due to the Eagles' excursion.

The program other than the omission noted, was fully up to what might have been expected of the names presented, and that is saying much. Every number received its encore—some of them two or three. Marion Tracie, by reason

of her many friends as well as her worth, was welcomed to the stage with storms of applause, which of course she merited. Her rendition of "The Song of the Camp" was particularly well received.

In Mr. Allen Doone and Miss Rose Lawrence, new lights, are easily discernable, and it is a great pity that they are not heard oftener. The audience last night, while not swerving from its allegiance to Miss Tracie, yet received the new singers in a way to show that it was not slow to give credit where it is due.

The rest of the program was well and artistically rendered and only a limited space prevents personal mention of each contributor.

Taking the Reins.

Charter Oak will have a wagon race each day on its grand circuit program. The proposed trotting mile track in London has been postponed until next fall.

A breeder from Bologna, Italy, has made ten entries to the Hartford Futurity.

The historic Buffalo track has been rented by "Buffalo Bill" for the Pan-American year.

A thoroughbred colt, 18 months old, sent recently from Australia to England, is 17 1/2 hands high.

During 1899, 310 running race meetings with 7200 races were held in the United States and Canada.

During the last six years, according to official report, only one American horse has been imported into the Netherlands.

From 1894 to the close of 1898 we sent to the United Kingdom an average of 12,138 horses per annum and received \$143 per head.

A few days ago 600 horses and mules were shipped from San Francisco to the Fiji Islands, presumably for the British army in Africa.

A four cornered race has been arranged between Cresceus, Tommy Britton, Searchlight and Dan Q. for the Pittsburg Independence day races.

J. A. P. Ramsdell, the Arab horse breeder, Newburg, N. Y., has offered a purse of \$1000 for one of the races at the meeting in that city.

In 1894 we exported only 5246 horses and received an average of \$214 per head, while in 1898 we exported 51,150, at an average value of \$121.

A pair of horses belonging to E. C. Southworth, Hanford, Tulare county, Cal., have made a high diving record. They ran away recently and took a plunge into Kings river from a bluff 80 feet high and swam out unburnt.—Horseman.

The Coming Celebration.

At the executive committee meeting Friday evening much business was transacted and some interesting reports made.

One thousand six hundred and thirty-five dollars have been collected by the committee having that part of the arrangements in hand, and while the committee has worked hard and faithfully, but two of the larger companies have thus far been seen. It is expected that \$2500 will be forthcoming between now and the Fourth. Great interest and hearty co-operation have been met with on every side, and the floats which will be entered in the parade will be numerous and worthy the day and the houses they represent.

The post of honor will be given the old soldiers, especially those of the U. S. and C. S. A. and British veterans. All of these are cordially invited to make known their willingness to take part.

Twelve pieces of music will be on hand during the day after 10 a. m.

H. Te Roller, the present chairman, was elected marshal of the day by acclamation, and will appoint his own aides.

A police guard to the parade will be asked for.

The Alaska Pacific Express.

D. C. Jackson, general agent of the Alaska and Pacific Express will sail on the Ora today for the outside. He has established an office for the company in Dawson, which will be located at Lancaster & Calderhead's dock as soon as their new building is erected.

Mr. W. N. Miles will be the agent of the company. He is probably the best posted man in Dawson on express business and will no doubt prove of great service to the company.

Notice.

Executive committee of the Fourth of July celebration cordially invite all old soldiers and especially those of the Confederate and Union armies, and soldiers of the British empire, to meet with their committee this evening, at 9 o'clock, with a view to taking part in the grand parade on the Fourth.

Light-weight blue serge coats, single and double breasted. Star Clothing House.

Private dining rooms at the Holborn.

BRIEF MENTION.

Tie up your dogs on the Fourth. G. W. Elliot and wife are at the Flannery.

Mrs. R. M. McDonal is a guest of the Metropole.

Mrs. Edith Butler, of Vancouver, is registered at the Fairview.

Clarence King, a mining man from New York, is stopping at the Regina.

Five patients have been received at the Good Samaritan hospital since Saturday.

Six scows loaded with beef and aggregating 90 tons, are stuck on bars between Thirty-mile and Selkirk.

It is said that the mosquitoes up the river now keep sentinels' out to report the appearance of excursion parties.

On Chief Stewart's return he brought with him a small cub bear which has been duly installed in the lower fire house as company mascot.

Among those seen on the streets today are John King, of Bonanza, W. Atkinson, of Sulphur, Wm. Daniels, of the Forks and G. W. F. Johnson, of Dominion.

Many people are down from the Forks and various creeks; for the most part they are here to transact business first and see the celebration of the Fourth before returning.

The new sidewalk and street improvements made leading to the governor's house, Catholic church and Sisters' hospital add very greatly to the appearance of that part of the city.

The telegraph wire was down at some point above Selwyn and this side of Selkirk this morning, the trouble presumably being a brush fire of which there are a number said to be burning in that country.

There will be an invitation ball at the McDonald ball the night of the Fourth of July, the patronesses of which will be Mesdames Sale, Card and Rapp. About 40 or 50 invitations will be issued. It will be a swell society event.

Fresh, home-grown vegetables are now overstocking the market with the result that two bits will purchase a whole mouthful of radishes, while one retailer was today known to throw in an extra leaf of lettuce on a \$2 order.

W. M. Davis, who has been working a lay with the usual layman's luck, is in the city for a few days on business. His wife, who is here with him, is a sister of Arthur H. Noyes, of Minneapolis, who has lately been appointed U. S. district judge for St. Michael.

After a week spent in Dawson Auditor A. L. Burdoo, of the White Pass & Yukon Route, left yesterday evening on the Sybil for Whitehorse en route to Skagway, the head office. Mr. Burdoo was much pleased with what he saw while in Dawson.

It is said that every mining creek in the district will be canvassed and stumped by candidates for the two memberships on the board of the Yukon council between now and election day, the date of which will be set in the near future.

A Dawson merchant has a grievance for the reason that his consignment of groceries was sidetracked at Whitehorse to make room for "perishable" goods which, on arrival, proved to consist of whisky and other spiritous and malt liquors.

This is being observed as a legal holiday, yesterday having been Dominion day, all the public offices and many of the business houses in the city are closed, the latter only during the afternoon. The postoffice was open to the public from 9 until 12 o'clock.

The local item published Saturday evening that the Criterion would be closed tonight and reopened on the Fourth, was an error. The management is preparing for swell time on the Fourth, but will not close beforehand as all preparations have already been made.

Mrs. Matt Makela, a Norwegian woman was admitted to the Good Samaritan hospital last evening. So far her case has not been diagnosed, because the hospital people can not understand or talk Norwegian, and the woman is no better off regarding English. An interpreter is wanted.

M. Chandler, of the Canadian Bank of Commerce, who was dismissed from the hospital three weeks ago after a rather serious illness from tonsillitis, has returned from a trip to Whitehorse to which place he was sent for recreation and at the same time to transact some important business for the bank.

Mrs. M. Sinclair, after a residence of two years in Dawson, during a portion of which time she conducted the popular little Waffle restaurant near the Bank cafe, will leave this evening for Chicago and New York and will later visit the Paris exposition. Mrs. Sinclair may return in time to reach Nome before the closing of navigation.

The big foot race starts off tonight at 8 o'clock. The contestants have all been in training for sometime and are in fine shape. The track has been enclosed by a seven foot fence and there is no chance for rubbernecks to get in their deadly work. The race will last six days, and the winner takes a purse of \$3000.

Saturday evening Kid O'Brien, the burlesque pugilist, departed with two sacks of potatoes for the lower river. O'Brien made his exit in the embryo scow, "Sunlight," of which he was master and crew. Eddie O'Brien acted as general passenger agent, but failed to secure any perceptible business.

Winsome Bessie Pierce, the gay little soubrette who recently departed from Dawson down the river, took with her as a memento of her stay in Dawson a magnificent golden belt which was made by Sale & Co., the jewelers. The belt was one of the firm's celebrated nugget productions which have attracted so much attention by the originality of their design and their artistic and chase workmanship. It was given to the fair Bessie by some of her admirers.

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Dissolution of Partnership.

The partnership formerly existing between W. A. Robertson and W. Baird under the name "Rochester Bar" has been dissolved by mutual consent. All accounts owing to the firm shall be paid to W. Baird, who succeeds to the business and who will pay all debts of the concern. Dated at Dawson, June 29, 1900. W. BAIRD.

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LOST AND FOUND

LOST:—Black pocket book containing sum of money and papers of value to no one but the owner. Finder may retain money in pocket book and will receive additional sum of \$50. No questions asked. Return to Jack Smith, Orpheum Theatre.

LOST:—Near mouth of Gold Run, large dark bay horse; white stripe on forehead, weight about 300 lbs, brand R on right shoulder, halter and bell. Finder please report at 20 Gold Run or Nugget office. Reward. p9-4

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LOST:—Eight rings, including one marquise ring with 27 stones. Finder please return to Thos. McGowan's office, A. C. office building and receive liberal reward. c.

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