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White Pass and Yukon Route Will Not Issue Any More Through Bills Lading This Season—They Will Only Guarantee to Deliver Goods at Whitehorse.

Skagway, Aug. 21.—Yesterday was the last day upon which through bills of lading were issued on shipments of freight from Puget sound ports to Dawson. Shipments will still be accepted at the same rates which have heretofore prevailed but delivery beyond Whitehorse will not be guaranteed.

Coming Inside.

Skagway, Aug. 21.—Among the passengers for the interior this morning were Ross the liquor dealer and the Rev. Prevost, who is en route to the mouth of Tanana, where he will take

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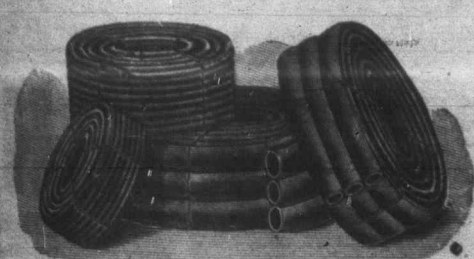
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**LAYING THE CABLE**

Steamer Lakme Begins Work Between Skagway and Juneau.

Skagway, Aug. 21.—Steamer Lakme began today laying the cable between Skagway and Juneau. Several messages arrived after the ship had proceeded miles on her journey. If all goes well the work of laying the cable will be completed tonight.

**Ashore on Alaskan Coast.**

Word has been received here of the wreck of the steamer Ruth at Golovin Bay, Alaska. Among the passengers bound for the gold fields of the far north is Joseph Forderer, jr., of this city, son of the president of the Board of City Trustees. The wreck occurred June 29th and is referred to as follows in a letter received here, from one of the passengers:

"The captain brought the ship up yesterday morning as far as he could, to land the Chinik passengers. After anchoring they began unloading the baggage, and one scow load had left the ship for shore, when the ice in Golovin sound broke loose. The scow could not reach shore and had to put back to the ship again. About midnight all the ice in the sound broke, about 12 miles square, and came down upon us with a rush. It turned the ship over to an angle of 40 degrees, making it impossible to stand on the deck without holding on. It looked for a while like nobody would live to tell the tale, but the Ruth got stuck in the mud and blocked the ice. Then a piece of ice, 2000 feet long and 600 or 700 feet wide struck the ship, breaking a hole in her big enough for a man to crawl through, and it also made several holes in the bottom and tore away the rudder and steering gear.

"Had it not been so dangerous it would have been amusing to see the way the passengers acted. Most of the passengers put in their time swearing. The captain ordered the life-boats lowered and every one was put ashore. The captain thinks he can rig the Ruth with a jury rudder and get back to Seattle.

"Captain Walter F. Higgins, whose family lives in Berkeley, proved a hero during the wreck. He kept the passengers cool and worked like a Trojan in the hold, removing perishable goods, when all the others were afraid to venture in. There were at least six feet of water in the hold on the starboard side.

"Mr. Forderer has a letter from his son, dated June 24th, in which he refers to the 'Battleship Ruth,' so called on account of the numerous fights that had occurred on board and the great amount of trouble that had been experienced during the trip. He states that from the time of leaving San Francisco the trouble began. The cattle, of which a great part of the ship's cargo was composed, were always getting hurt.

"First several steers would fall down and a half dozen stalls would have to be torn down in order to lift the animals to their feet again," writes Mr. Forderer. "They would no sooner be on their feet than some of the horses would get tangled up and then the whole performance would have to be gone through with again.

"The horses will be of no use after they get them ashore, as they are all bruised and cut. Today is the first time we have seen the sun since we left Seattle a week ago Sunday. We struck the ice the next day and were in it until Saturday evening. Friday we sighted the steamer Humboldt and she came alongside and told us where we were and since that we have been much relieved. We expect to reach Golovin Bay tomorrow night. Our fresh meat is all gone and what canned stuff we have is not fit to eat, but the officers do not seem to care whether we eat or not. We will probably have to spend three or four days on the beach before we can get started up the river."

Young Mr. Forderer, accompanied by Mr. Schmidt and several others, started for Alaska on the Ruth. They had a lot of valuable machinery with them which will in all probability be a total loss.

A large amount of provisions will also be ruined.—Alameda (Cal.) Argus, July 19.

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**THE END IS NEAR**

George O'Brien Will Pay Death Penalty for His Crimes Next Friday.

**WILL HE CONFESS THE MURDERS?**

Is the Question Now Uppermost in Many Minds.

**A CONFESSION NOT LIKELY.**

Those Who Know O'Brien Believe He Will Carry the Terrible Secret to the Grave.

Less than 48 hours remain for George O'Brien in which to prepare to meet his Maker and the question uppermost in the minds of all who have had aught to do with his case is, will he carry with him to the grave the happenings of that eventful Christmas day when three men were "lured" to their death? So far, not a word concerning the tragedy has escaped his lips, not even to his priest, and those who have seen and watched his movements every day for many months are strongly of the belief that he will die with the secret buried in his own heart. Father Geardreus visits O'Brien every day and as best he can tries to comfort the craven wretch with promises of the life to come in which there shall be neither sin nor sorrow. While his spiritual adviser is present O'Brien is most devout, praying long and fervently. With his departure, however, he again begins his raving, averting that he is the Virgin Mary and that he has placed his curse upon those instrumental in securing his conviction. Within the last day or two he has developed a new idiosyncrasy, one that is equally as startling as his previous assertions. He now declares that he will rise again from his grave at the end of the third day, and then the havoc that he will create will be something frightful to contemplate.

Nothing now remains to be arranged for the execution. As was stated in yesterday's Nugget the gallows has been officially tested and found perfect in every respect. The coffin in which O'Brien will be buried has been made and reposes directly beneath the scaffold, ready for the body after it is cut down. His grave was dug this morning within the jail enclosure by convicts and it stands gaping wide open ready to receive its burden. After the body is deposited in its silent depths a few shovels of quick time are thrown in upon it and that is the end. In a short time it will have returned to the dust from which it came.

Should O'Brien make no confession prior to Friday morning, a last opportunity will be given him as he stands on the trap with the fatal noose about his neck. If he still persists in remaining silent the black cap will be speedily adjusted and he will be launched into eternity without any further ado. He will be allowed to make any statement he may desire, but any effort to create a sensation or hurt animosities at those about him will be quickly squelched. The march from his cell to the scaffold will be begun at 7:30 and by a quarter before 8 all will be over.

**Delegates Elected.**

At the meeting of the Arctic Brotherhood held last night the following delegates were elected to attend the grand camp of the Brotherhood, to be held at Skagway on the 4th of September: A. P. Edwards, C. B. Zabriske, B. P. Botsford, J. A. Greene, Wm. McKay, L. L. James, John Gibson, Max W. Kohm, C. H. Wells, J. A. McArthur, F. L. Cosby, W. B. Lomax, E. H. Shaffer, J. S. Cowan, Emil Mohr, Cortlandt Starnes, J. W. Nicol, Frank Mortimer and W. L. Walsh.

The grand camp promises to be a most interesting series of meetings and all the delegates elected who think they see a means of leaving their business interests for a short time are making preparations to go.

**For the Outside.**

Ex-Constable Holmwood, whose term of enlistment in the police force recently expired, will leave Saturday as escort with a shipment of gold dust being sent to San Francisco by the Bank of Commerce. Holmwood was co-author with Corporal Green in the popular barracks room ditty, the parody on "Tommy Atkins," and his congenial spirit will be much missed about the headquarters. He will winter in California and then try his luck in South Africa.

**Music Lessons.**

I. W. Nordstrom, teacher of mandolin, guitar and cornet; terms reasonable. Call at residence, cor. Fourth and Fourth st.

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**E. R. HERRICK HAS BEEN FOUND**

Man for Whom Inquiries Have Been Made By His Father

Skagway, Aug. 21.—Inquiry has been made here for Elliott R. Herrick of Dawson by his father, a Yukon pioneer. C. S. Bennett of this place is authority for the statement that Herrick is now an inmate of the insane ward of the New Westminster hospital.

**IN THE UPPER COURT**

Number of Cases Tried Before Judge McCauley Today.

Judge McCauley presided this morning at the hearing of a number of small debt procedures filed in the territorial court. Under the present regulations the new police magistrate has jurisdiction in matters not involving over \$500.

In the case of Riley vs. Peterson, judgment was given plaintiff by default in the sum of \$25.50.

In Myers vs. Tyson suit was for a balance alleged to be due on a freight contract of a lot of poultry from Whitehorse. The price agreed upon was 30 cents a pound and as the consignment was thought to weigh about 800 pounds \$240 was paid on account of the freight. On arriving there the poultry was found to weigh 1121 pounds instead of 800 and suit was instituted for the balance said to be due. Judgment for plaintiff for \$96.30.

Paddock, a restaurant man of the Forks, was given judgment by default against Jack Cavanaugh for \$96, an old board bill.

The suit of Webster vs. Sinclair was over the premium alleged to be due on a \$2000 twenty-year endowment life insurance policy. Defendant declined to pay the premium upon the ground that the policy should have been one of 10 years instead of 20. The case was adjourned until such time as the plaintiff can get the original application now on file in the New York office of his company.

The Harper & Ladue Townsite Co. was sued by Joseph Magill for \$100 alleged to be due him as commission on the sale of four lots. Judgment for \$50 and costs.

A number of other small debt cases are being heard this afternoon.

**REGISTERED MAIL SAFE**

Postmaster Hartman Received a Wire to That Effect.

Postmaster Hartman today received a wire from Postmaster Sampson at Skagway in reference to the mail carried on the Islander. The wrecked steamer carried the regular Canadian and American mail and the Canadian registered mail but did not carry any mail registered for the States.

It is supposed that all mail of the first three classes mentioned which left Dawson between 12 o'clock noon of the 6th inst. and 6 p. m. of the 10th was aboard the Islander.

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M. E. FERGUSON,  
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**Laymen Wanted.**

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**RATES ARE TO BE REDUCED**

Information From a Reliable Source Confirms Reports That Concessions Will Be Made in Freight Tariffs During the Present Season—Will Be Decided on Monday.

News of the greatest importance to local shippers was received today relative to proposed immediate action on the part of the White Pass Route people in reference to a big cut in freight charges on all consignments leaving coast cities after Monday next. While the Nugget is not in a position to quote the authority for the above statement the information was received from a most reliable source. It is further learned that the railroad will be pushed on to Selkirk and that next season freight will be landed in Dawson by the White Pass route at a big reduction over present charges. This action on the part of the W. P. R. is in accordance with the stipulations of General Manager E. C. Hawkins who in handling in his resignation last May ascribed his reason for doing so to the fact that the company had overruled him in his intention to follow that policy which the company is now forced to pursue to protect its existence as far as earning capacity is concerned. Manager Hawkins has reconsidered his resignation and will continue with the company. It is feared that shippers who have paid the regular tariff rates for their this year's shipments will not be given a refund of moneys without a contest and that only those who have a protective contract or a verbal agreement will be given any consideration in an adjustment which would follow a cut in the tariff charges this season.

**WITHOUT AN EXECUTIVE**

For the first time since the formation of a territorial government for the Yukon, the territory is now, by the departure of Commissioner Ross, without a head, so to speak, and there is no one left to whom is delegated the powers held by the governor, and who can act in his stead during his absence. When the present form of government was first arranged no provision was made for a lieutenant governor and the peculiar anomaly is thus presented of having no guiding hand at the helm of the ship of state. Not that business is not being carried on in the same manner in the various departments, for there is no interruption in the ceaseless grind of the official machinery, but there are several things which cannot transpire until the commissioner returns. For instance, there can be no meeting of the Yukon council without the presence of the commissioner, except in the case of his death, in which event the senior member of the council (seniority being determined by the number of years which the member has resided in the Yukon as an official) presides at the meetings of that body. Mr. Girouard, being the senior member, would thus become acting commissioner until Mr. Ross's successor had been appointed and inducted into office. Much of the routine work of the commissioner's office is now being performed by Legal Adviser Compton who will continue in his two-fold capacity during the absence of the chief executive.

Prior to his departure on his sad journey, Governor Ross stated to one of his oldest friends that he intended returning to his labors on the Yukon as soon as he could after the funeral obsequies of his wife and child had taken place. Their burial will be in Victoria, which will be reached tomorrow or next day, and it is thought the governor will start northward again within a few days after that. He will probably arrive here about September 6 or 7.

**THINKS KOYUKUK A FROST**

Ralph Hatten who was one of the Spic's passengers does not hold very optimistic views as to conditions in the Koyukuk country. Hatten has spent the past three months on the middle branch of the Koyukuk in the vicinity of Cold Foot.

He says he looked the country over thoroughly and does not want men going in there under a false impression. The report that laborers are getting \$15 a day he denies as there are no claims now being worked which can afford to pay that money.

"It is all right," said he "for a man who has one or two years' grub to go in there and prospect. He may find something pretty good. But he does not want to depend upon any immediate result. A poor man without a good grub stake has a very bad show."

A few claims on Buma and Myrtle are being worked but on Gold bench and Gold creek all work has been shut down on account of scarcity of water.

Hatten claims that the men who are now booming the Koyukuk are doing so from selfish motives as they have property of which they are anxious to dispose.

He says there will be absolutely no work for men this winter and advises everyone who has not enough grub to get in there and prospect. He may find something pretty good. But he does not want to depend upon any immediate result. A poor man without a good grub stake has a very bad show."

Dr. Duncan's practice is being attended to while he is away by Dr. Alfred Thompson, room 3, Aurora building.

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