

FROM THE KOYUKUK

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KOYUKUK CAMPS LOOK GOOD

Plenty of Grub and Everyone Happy Over Prosperous Outlook Report of Late Strikes.

Dan McKinnon and Joe Martel, two intrepid members, arrived in the city yesterday shortly before 3 o'clock direct from the Koyukuk. They left Coldfoot November 20 traveling the Chandelar trail to Fort Yukon and thence up over the ice. Considering the fact that five or six days were spent in camps owing to extremely high, penetrating winds the travelers made very good time. The trail was not bad, though much of it had to be freshly broken, until the Yukon was reached, but from Fort Yukon up there are about 60 miles are execrable, water covering the ice knee deep in many places. Thirty or more people were met on the Chandelar headed for the Koyukuk, many of whom had outfits. McKinnon and Martel have made quite an enviable record for "hard mashing. They left here September 27 last, stopping eight miles below Fort Yukon until the freeze-up. From that point they sledged in to Coldfoot via the Chandelar, then made a trip of 75 miles down the Koyukuk to Bettles, secured 1000 pounds of provisions and took it back to Coldfoot and are now back in Dawson in less than three months' time.

The gentlemen bring good news from the camp and say that the prospects are extremely flattering. More men are wintering about Coldfoot this winter than ever before and ten holes are being put to bedrock where but one was put down during previous winters. They confirm the report of the strike made on Hammond creek, 15 miles above Coldfoot, news of which was first brought in by Peter Dow a week or so ago. Practically everyone who has a claim that prospects at all is engaged in hauling provisions up from Bettles to Coldfoot, where it is cached away in their cabins to be drawn upon as needed.

Regarding the grub situation, it is said there is plenty along the Koyukuk this season, though there is none

to be had at Coldfoot. There is a large stock at Bettles, principally staples, which is sold at reasonable prices. Flour sells for \$7 a sack; bacon 40 cents a pound and sugar 25 cents. Eight miles below Bettles, the N. C. Co. has a cache and there is another belonging to the same company 20 miles still further down the river. The balance of this season's stock of goods is 10 miles above Bergman.

One of the most important pieces of information received is the burning of the little N. C. steamer City of Paris which has plied on the Koyukuk for several seasons. The boat was in winter quarters near Bergman and was occupied by the watchman and one or two others. The fire occurred at night and when discovered was so well under headway nothing could be done to save the steamer and it was a total loss. The origin of the fire is unknown.

Messrs. McKinnon and Martel were surprised to learn another outfit had not arrived several days before them. They left Coldfoot six days before the McKinnon party and should be here by this time. Harry Hamberger, who left for Bettles so hurriedly last fall to try and save something out of the Captain Nixon fiasco, expects to return to the city in three or four weeks. He succeeded in getting possession of his goods and will lose comparatively little as the result of his deal with the effervescent captain.

WILL PAY THE PIPER

Though a Social Success, Receipts Did Not Equal Expense.

The final meeting of the St. Andrew's society will be held this week for the purpose of winding up the affairs of the ball held on November 29. Though the dance was a howling success artistically and socially, when the bills come to be audited it was found there was a discrepancy of \$228 in the cash on hand. There are 29 active members at present in the society who will be called upon to make good the loss, unless it should be decided to have another small and early informal dance by which the money will be raised. At the ball held a year ago there occurred also a small loss which was met by assessment. As St. Andrews comes but once a year and the members of the society are so intent upon making their celebrations such unequalled successes, the matter of a few dollars extra assessment matters but little. Throughout the entire universe wherever the day is celebrated it would be hard to find a city where the enjoyment is more keen or the event looked forward to with greater anticipation than here in Dawson.

Yukon Council Read This. The Valdes city council has won the broom for brevity in its ordinances. The property tax ordinance which other Alaska towns say fit to spread over half an acre, the Valdesians have condensed it into just 27 words. Here is the ordinance exactly as its legal advertisement appears in the News of that place:

"ORDINANCE NO. 2. "Be it ordained by the city council that all property, real and personal, shall be taxed at its full cash value and that there shall levied upon such assessment a tax of one per cent. "J. L. STEELE, "Acting Mayor.

"Passed Sept. 25, 1901." The ordinance for poll tax is about the same length and the one covering dog license is but little longer.

Another one creating the office of city attorney says his duties shall be "that he shall be the legal adviser of the city council and of the school board, and shall perform such other duties as they shall direct."

The Yukon council, in striking contrast with the above, consumed 73 pages of closely typewritten, good paper in its late Dawson incorporation ordinance.

Will Leave for the Outside. George Sanders, the pioneer painter and decorator who in '97 at one time owned all the paint and wall paper in the country, leaves tomorrow for the outside for the purpose of securing his next season's stock. He intends to walk out.

Gunther's Allegretti, Lowney and Huyler candies at Gandolfo's.

CURLING MATCH HAS BEGUN

Presidents and Vice-Presidents Compete for Honors.

Much Interest is Being Awakened in the Sport - Games Will Occur Every Night.

The curling rink is being liberally patronized these days, not an evening during the week passing without several games being played.

A series of matched games is now in progress between teams selected by President Dr. Wilks and Vice President W. D. Bruce. Each of the two gentlemen named has selected his team. The president has the following playing on his side: Messrs. Hingston, de Gex, Richardson, Norquay and Young. The Vice President's team is made up of the following gentlemen: Moncrief, McKinnon, Crisp, Ross and Stewart.

The first two games of the competition were played last evening and were close and exciting to the end. The following is the result:

President-de Gex (skip), Wilks, Macaulay, Lewin, (6) Hingston (skip), Jones, Le Capin, Watts, (6).

Vice President-Bruce (skip); Anderson, Herron, Fairbanks (7); Moncrief (skip), Bruce, Hamilton, Sutherland (9).

Tonight Richardson and Norquay's rinks will play for the president against McKinnon and Crisp for the vice president.

Admission to the rink is free and all who may be interested in the sport are invited to attend.

HER ICINESS RECEIVES

Three Chechacos Traverse the A. B. Trail.

The Arctic Brotherhood held a well-attended meeting last night at which J. M. Eilbeck, W. W. Bittner and Russell Palmer were introduced to Her Iciness and initiated into the mysteries of the order. Regarding the ball masque which will be held New Year's eve under the auspices of the Brotherhood it was decided to place the price of admission at \$7, which will admit gentleman and one lady, individual tickets being issued on account of it being a masquerade. Tickets will also include supper and there will be a charge of \$3 for each extra lady. In order that no undesirable characters may intrude themselves masqueraders will be compelled at the door to disclose their identity to a committee. The meeting next week will be held on Monday, the regular lodge night falling on Christmas eve.

To Make an End. London, Nov. 11.-According to the Daily News, Major-General Hamilton, who sailed on Saturday for South Africa, to become Lord Kitchener's chief of staff, takes a plan prepared in London for a more vigorous campaign, with a view to ending the war before the coronation festivities begin.

General Hamilton's appointment," says the Daily News, "is a part of a plan arranged after the king's return from the continent about six weeks ago. Unless Lord Kitchener should decline to be complainant, the new scheme is likely to develop about the beginning of the year."

Canadian Volunteers. Ottawa, Nov. 11.-The dispatch from Ottawa, published by Le Soleil, of Quebec to the effect that the government has decided to refuse permission to any other officers or men of the Canadian militia who wish to go out to South Africa, is absolutely without foundation.

The government's position is in exact opposition to this. There are quite a number of Canadian officers in South Africa now, seconded from their Canadian regiments, and if others want to go they will be similarly treated.

Meet Monday Night. Owing to the fact that next Tuesday night is Christmas eve the A. B.'s will hold their regular weekly meeting Monday night.

A Refutation.

A report has been maliciously circulated that the Dawson Licensed Victuallers' Association of this city has passed a resolution boycotting certain corporations of this city, particularly the Dawson Electric Light & Power Co. I desire as president of that body to refute that report, as it is false in every particular. Such action if entered into would violate the principles upon which the Dawson Licensed Victuallers' Association is founded.

GEORGE BUTLER, Pres. D. L. V. A.

ARBITRARY INSTRUCTION

No Second Class American Mail to Be Brought.

An important order regarding the class of articles admissible to the mails made up at Seattle for Canadian postoffice at the Yukon district was received today at the local postoffice. The nature of the mails to be sent from Seattle is closely outlined. They are limited to letters, postal cards and newspapers. The latter are only accepted when wrapped singly and addressed to private individuals. The order is as follows:

"Referring to the correspondence closing with my letter of June 2, 1900, relative to the class of articles admissible to the mails made up at your office for the Canadian post-offices in the Yukon district, I transcribe for your information the following extract from a letter of the Canadian office dated the 20th instant, viz.:

"The attention of the department has been called to the fact that packages of third and fourth class matter addressed to places in the Yukon and Alaskan districts are being included in the mails made up at the postoffices in Skagway and Seattle, and I therefore beg leave to inform you that the department has been unable to make arrangements for the conveyance to and from the Yukon and Alaskan districts during the current season of any matter other than letters and post cards and a limited number of newspaper matter sufficient to bring the weight of the mails up to the limit mentioned in the contract under which the mails are conveyed.

"The restriction thus made necessarily applies to matter originating in the United States as well as to matter originating in Canada.

"May I request that notice to this effect may be given to the United States postoffices and that the postmasters of Seattle and Skagway may be instructed not to include in their mails for the districts mentioned, during the winter season, any matter other than letters, post cards and newspapers, in single wrappers, addressed to private individuals."

"Please cause the mails in question dispatched from your office during the approaching winter season to be made up in accordance with the indication given in the last paragraph of the foregoing extract."

The order is signed by N. M. Brooks, superintendent foreign mails for the United States postoffice department.-P. J., Dec 3

Next Thursday Night. The residents of the Forks and vicinity are to be treated to another theatrical enterprise. An aggregation of beauty and talent consisting of Miss Krieg, Miss Howard, Mr. Carroll, and Mr. Williams, will leave tomorrow for the purpose of playing a one night stand at the Dewey on Thursday evening.

Job Printing at Nugget office.

Kelly & Co., Leading Druggists.

Sister Married. By the late mail Leroy Tozier received a delayed invitation to attend the marriage of his sister Miss Nellie Victor Tozier to Mr. Edward E. Cox at the home of her mother in Portland, Or., on November 18th. Mr. Cox is the editor of a leading Hartford, Indiana, newspaper.

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Advertisement for Northern Commercial Company. Text: "We Can Help You to Decide What to Buy". Images of furniture: a chair, a table, and a cabinet. Text: "A VISIT to our warerooms will assist you in deciding that important question - 'What shall I give?' Our stock contains many novelties suitable for Christmas gifts, such as Ladies' Dressing Tables, Chiffoniers, Fancy Stands, Sideboards, Morris Chairs, Secretaries, Fancy Chairs, Upholstered Rockers, Sewing Machines. Furniture and Carpet Department. 215 - FRONT STREET - 215. ...Carpets, Rugs... Draperies...".

Northern Commercial Company

Advertisements for various local events and businesses. Text: "The Treadwell Mine. The 11th annual report of the Alaska Treadwell Gold Mining Company, whose property is located on Douglas Island, Alaska, for the year ending May 15th, 1901, has just been published. It is valuable as showing what can be done with an extremely low grade ore where the volume is unlimited and easy to handle and reduce. During the year there were 457,802 tons of ore crushed. This yielded \$1.88 per ton. The total product amounted to \$860,737. The total working expenses, including the general office expenses and all other obligations due by the company, amounted to \$545,869, leaving a net profit of \$314,868 for the shareholders. The cost per ton of ore represented in the mine and office account, amounted to only \$1.92 per ton. Since the mine began operations 3,802,133 tons of ore have been extracted and reduced, yielding an aggregate of \$10,580,627, or an average of \$1.81 per ton. The net profits, on the other hand, have reached the big sum of \$5,600,666, or an average of \$1.47 per ton. Sheriff Heard From. Deputy Sheriff "Jack" Eilbeck heard from his father yesterday for the first time since his arrival outside. The letter stated that the trip out occupied 20 days and at the time of writing all was well. The sheriff had met Crown Prosecutor Wade, Judge Craig and many others from Dawson. The health of the last named has been greatly improved and he expects to return to Dawson with Mr. Eilbeck next month. Sister Married. By the late mail Leroy Tozier received a delayed invitation to attend the marriage of his sister Miss Nellie Victor Tozier to Mr. Edward E. Cox at the home of her mother in Portland, Or., on November 18th. Mr. Cox is the editor of a leading Hartford, Indiana, newspaper. Job Printing at Nugget office.

Advertisement for Old Papers. Text: "OLD PAPERS IN BUNDLES, FOR SALE AT THE NUGGET OFFICE FIVE CENTS A POUND."

Advertisement for N. A. T. & T. Company. Text: "WE HAVE A Full Line of Christmas Goods... ON SALE IN OUR DRY GOODS DEPARTMENT. Toys, Musical Instruments, Blocks, Games, Mechanical Toys, Dolls, Books, Bric-a-Brac, Etc. Bring the little folks in, they will enjoy the display. N. A. T. & T. Company".

Advertisement for Holme, Miller & Co. Text: "HOLME, MILLER & CO. Boilers, Engines, Hoists and Pumps. DAWSON".

Advertisement for THOS. CHISHOLM, AURORA. Text: "Read This. Get our competitors' prices, THEN SEE US! Money Talks, Bring It All! Caledonian Scotch, 12 Years Old. Old Hudson Bay Rum. Jamaica Rum. Holland Gin. Plymouth Gin. Old Tom Gin. WINES. Claret. Sauterne. Port. Old Sherry (Hudson Bay.) All kinds of French Cordials. CHAMPAGNES. Pomeroy's. Mumm's. White Seal. IMPORTED CIGARS--can't be beat. Cigarettes--All brands. THOS. CHISHOLM, AURORA."

Advertisement for Townsend & Rose. Text: "FOR THE HOLIDAY TRADE! 1000 Pounds T. & B. Cut Smoking Tobacco, per Pound \$1.00. T. & B. Plug Smoking Tobacco, per Pound 1.00. Seal of North Carolina, in 1-2 lb. Tins, per Pound 1.00. in 1-12 " Pkgs. " .50. Pay Roll Chewing, per Pound 1.00. Horse Shoe Tobacco, per Pound 1.00. T. & B. Chewing, per Pound 1.00. P. S. - We Carry the Best Selected Stock of Pipes in the City at Eastern Prices. TELEPHONE 167 Townsend & Rose".

Advertisements for The Nugget, DANCED AND D, Miss Huntley of Red Lodge, TO KILL HERSELF WITH, Her Lover Did Not After a Quarrel, WHEN HE FAILED TO, Red Lodge, Mont., Dec., Miss Huntley of Red Lodge, TRIP ABANDONED, TO INVESTIGATE, The Ladue Assay Office, EMPIRE HOTEL, Allow Us to Selection Present, TEN, S.