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OTTAWA HAS BEEN WIRED

Regarding Second Class Mail Matter

Effort Will be Made to Induce the Department to Have All Mail Brought in.

There is a prospect of Dawson receiving secondclass mail matter this winter. Acting-Commissioner Major Wood will do all in his power to effect the change desired and this morning wired Ottawa urging that all the secondclass matter and parcels be forwarded the same as letters. Conditions of travel in the winter are now so different from what they were in years past that it is considered not an unreasonable thing to ask that all mail matter regardless of its class be forwarded without delay and every effort will be put forth to accomplish that end.

Regarding the present condition of the road, Mr. Macfarlane, superintendent of local improvements, states that the roadway is already fit for travel for light vehicles and the transportation of small express matter. There having been no travel over the road after its completion the ground has frozen just as the graders left it and is entirely free from ruts, depressions or any roughness whatever. One effect that will be the result of the desired order if made is that outside papers will arrive regularly and will be purchaseable at the usual price of 25 cents instead of being compelled to pay a dollar for the same. Should the mail contractors be required to carry all the mail instead of the letters alone it will necessitate the putting on of a special stage devoted entirely to the mail. A stage with a consignment of 100 to 150 sacks of mail, as has often arrived in the summer time, would leave but little accommodation for any passengers.

Spain and France

London, Oct. 4.—A member of the Spanish ministry who was questioned regarding the reiterated rumors of a Franco-Spanish alliance, in conjunction with Spain's increased naval programme, said to a representative of the Associated Press:

"There is absolutely no such movement on foot, though the reports of the subject are an interesting indication that in same quarters the wish is father to the thought. At the present moment we are not making entangling alliances, but we are strenuously building up commercial relations with all parts of the world. It must be distinctly understood that except where the interests in North Africa are identical there is no agreement between France and Spain."

Geo. Butler has just placed in stock a shipment of Gooderham & Wort's 7-year-old rye whiskey which is the real stuff. Butler caters to the best trade and his patrons always know what they are getting.

BACK FROM DUNCAN

Pay Averaging Fifty Cents to the Pan.

A miner was in Calderhead's office this morning from Duncan, who left there two days after the La France. He says that on No. 123 below they have struck from six to eight feet of pay, which runs from 2c to 50c to the pan. The bedrock there is 19 feet, and on it the gravel will give an average of 50c. He says that everyone who has gone to bedrock has met with good pay.

Auditorium—Galley Slave.

FORTYMILE COAL FIELDS

Chemical Tests of Its Value as Fuel

Joslin's Hard Trip Over the Mountains From Fortymile to This City.

Falcon Joslin has returned from a trip to the coal mine in which he is interested near Fortymile, and says the trip back was the hardest he has ever made, and he has had some pretty tough trips in various parts of the territory. He went to Fortymile on the last trip of the Prospector, and the boat was to call at Fortymile on her way back. There were about twenty passengers waiting for her, but she merely came to the dock, blew her whistle and got out again, leaving twenty very much disgusted people.

Mr. Joslin, with Fire Inspector Bullock and Sandy Miller, got a boat and started to pole for Dawson. Forty miles up they struck a snag which knocked a hole in the boat too big to be repaired and they took to the hills.

"It was a terrible trip," said Mr. Joslin. "You would think so if you had to mush over snow and ice and sharp rocks with your feet cut and your shoes full of blood. We went over mountains 2000 feet high. Sometimes, in order to get over an awkward place, we would climb for two hours and only make a distance of 100 yards. But we made it to Dawson in two days."

Mr. Joslin took a gang of men with him to work on the coal mine, and left them making a road from the Yukon to the mine, a distance of twelve miles. This winter they will sink shafts and make galleries and get everything ready for mining coal in the early spring. Mr. Joslin brought some of the coal back with him. Chemical tests have been made of it, showing that it runs 50 per cent. fixed carbon, 34 per cent. volatile carbon, and only 6 per cent. ash. It is this remarkably small quantity of ash which will give the coal its value as fuel. Next summer it will probably be put on the market.

Special power of attorney forms for sale at the Nugget office.

LOCAL BREVITIES.

The handsome residence at the north-east corner of the barracks ground, being erected for the occupancy of Major Cuthbert, is almost completed.

Charley Worden is confined to his residence with a severe attack of appendicitis.

The completion of that portion of the sidewalk on Fifth avenue between the slough bridge and the residence of J. Langlois Bell makes a complete sidewalk from the Klondike river to King street, the longest stretch of good sidewalk in the whole city.

Republican League

Chicago, Oct. 2.—The annual convention of the National Republican League was called to order in the First Regiment armory here today. About 400 delegates were present, representing the auxiliary leagues of the various states. Before the convention opened it was commonly admitted that the nomination of President Roosevelt in 1904 would be endorsed.

Fire Skinned to Feath.

Butte, Mont., Oct. 7.—A new way to put out a prairie fire was employed near Choteau, Mont., yesterday. The grass about the town was burning fiercely, and threatened the entire outskirts. A large steer was killed and quickly skinned and his wet and bloody hide dragged over the fire, which it smothered like a wet blanket.

Sons of Veterans

Washington, D. C., Oct. 6.—Incidental to the meeting of the G. A. R. this week will be the convention of the Sons of Veterans, which has delegates here from most of the states. They are to be welcomed to the city formally tomorrow and Commander-in-Chief Torrance is to make the organization an official visit during the afternoon. The Sons also will march in the parade on Wednesday.

First Atlantic Service

Manchester, Eng., Oct. 2.—The Daily Dispatch this morning asserts that the terms of a British syndicate for a fast service of steamships between Montreal and Liverpool, Bristol and London have been accepted. The steamers are to receive a joint subsidy from the Imperial and Canadian governments.

Pension Criminals

Criminals cost the United States $1,000,000,000 a year. It has been estimated that the United States could afford to pension her criminals with $300 a month a head to live out of the country.

William J. Bryan thinks Senator Turner is a good man and wants him re-elected. The ex Commoner praises the senator warmly. Mr. Bryan's opinions are of value to Washington voters. Voting contrary to them of late years has brought prosperity and contentment.

W. K. Vanderbilt tried to buy a lake which belonged to a small town in New York, but the people voted "no." Vanderbilt proceeded to buy all the land surrounding the lake and fenced it in. The people are fortunate that he did not fence the mainland, the village included.—Virginia Report.

STEWART IS CLOSED

Yukon Not Yet Down to Freezing Point

Dawson Made a Quick Trip to Stewart—Thistle and Lightning Coming.

From the waterfront the Yukon this morning presented an expanse of huge white masses with scarcely a glimpse of clear water to be seen. But the temperature of the water of the river was only 32, and it is believed that no ice is forming in it within many miles of this city. The news came by wire that the Stewart had stopped running this morning, and Mr. Calderhead was offering to bet that the Yukon would be clear again of this floating snow ice by Sunday or Monday.

The Dawson, which left here at 4:20 yesterday afternoon, reached Stewart at 8:40 this morning, having made good time to that point and made no obstruction whatever.

The Thistle left Whitehorse this morning, and Mr. Calderhead is already writing names on his passenger list for her return trip to Whitehorse.

The Emma Knott had some trouble with one of her scows near Hootalinqua yesterday, but she was reported passing Selkirk at six this morning with all her scows in tow.

The Lightning was heard from at Hootalinqua yesterday, and it is believed that she and the Thistle will reach here about the same time on Friday afternoon if they have good luck.

A large party will probably leave for Fortymile in a scow early this evening. Some prospectors who are getting in their winter supplies were seeking to make up the party this morning.

Twelve Killed

Black Diamond, Wash., Oct. 2.—An explosion of firedamp occurred last night in the south end of the fourth level of the Lawson mine, badly wrecking the mine and killing twelve miners. Fortunately no fire was started. Three bodies have been taken out. Nine other bodies are in the mine. Three men were injured, one severely. Everything possible is being done to recover the bodies. There were 22 men working in the level at the time of the accident, but of these 10 escaped with their lives. The dead are: Joe Jacker, Frank Flinder, Frank Röchell, Robt. Lundberg, John Swanson, John Creghine, Simon Tersauvich, Edward Actlenat, E. Ricco, John Leter, Hugh Levander and Louis Berkman.

Those who contributed toward the expenses of the last Republican campaign are not parting with their shekels to any great extent at present.

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ROSS MEN ON BEAR

Many of Slavin's Australian Friends

Meet to Educate the Miners on the Issues of Campaign.

An enthusiastic Ross meeting was held at No. 10 Bear last night, which was attended by some fifty voters of the immediate district, the greater part of them being Australians. Frank P. Slavin took the chair and J. G. Campbell was chosen to act as secretary. George McLeod, of Bear, was one of the first speakers, drawing attention to several mining matters in which reform was needed, and he said that on Bear those claims not being worked within a reasonable time should be forfeited and thrown open to relocation.

F. T. Congdon and Barney Sugrue were visitors to the meeting from Dawson, and while both of them delivered brief addresses the meeting took on an informal air and both were put through a cross-examination as to the details of the Ross platform. Some of those present found that they had been much mislead by statements in the News as to the Treadgold and other concessions, and these and other matters were fully explained just as they were.

As an instance of this Mr. McLeod made the statement that the territorial government had $750,000 in the treasury. It was explained that it once had that sum but that it had spent $1,250,000 in the Yukon this year.

The meeting begun at 8:15 and lasted until nearly half-past eleven. At its close the Bear creek miners present expressed themselves as satisfied with the explanations given, and ready to enroll themselves under the banner of James Hamilton Ross.

Fatalities of a Day

Galt, Oct. 1.—Jas. McEwan, North Water street, was shingling a house on Beverley street, and while carrying a package of shingles on the slippery roof fell over the edge, fully 30 feet. Mr. R. L. Murray, who lives in the adjoining house on Beverley street, head a groan and then the words, "Come, quick." He hastened into the yard and found Mr. McEwan lying helpless. "Don't touch me," gasped the injured man; "I am dying; my back is broken."

"Can't you move your legs?" Murray asked.

"No," was the response. "They are dead."

Mr. Murray moved Mr. McEwan into an easier position and hurried to notify Dr. Vardon. Mr. McEwan was taken to the Galt hospital in the ambulance. Examination showed his back to be broken. His body is paralyzed, but he is perfectly conscious. Mr. McEwan is a widower with two children. He has lived here for many years and is widely known and liked.

SUICIDE NEAR INGERSOLL.

Ingersoll, Oct. 1.—Despondency produced by brooding over what he believed to be an unsuccessful year upon the farm caused William Henry Tucker, a well-known young farmer, about 25 years of age, who with his widowed mother, sisters and one brother resided on what is known as the McKay farm, south of this town, to hang himself this morning. The unfortunate young man was somewhat later than usual in going about his morning's work, but there was nothing that gave warning of his contemplated act. He milked one cow, but suddenly quit this work, and nothing more was seen of him until his suspended body was discovered in the barn. On entering the barn he locked the door, and then taking a tie strap he fastened it to a wire, which was stretched across two beams. His body was found hanging close to the waggon, from which he evidently had stepped, after fastening the strap about his neck. A physician was summoned as soon as the body was discovered, but life was extinct when he arrived. The physician happened to be the coroner, and he decided an inquest was unnecessary.

REAR-END COLLISION.

Belleville, Oct. 1.—There was a rear-end collision between two freight trains on the Grand Trunk just west of Ernestown about 2:30 this morning, which resulted in five cars being smashedup and thrown from the track and George Teale, engineer of the rear train, who makes this city his home, was badly injured. It appears that one of the trains was being sidetracked, when the other train came up. Traffic was delayed a good deal by the accident.

Eat slowly, only men in rags
And gluttons old in sin
Mistake themselves for carpet bags
And tumble victuals in.
—Cornhill Magazine.

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REMOVAL OF OFFICE

Probably Taken Away From Fortymile

Recommendation Has Been Made to Department Concerning the Transfer.

The continuous demands of the miners of the Sixtymile district that the recorder's office at Fortymile be removed to a more central location in that section is being heeded and will likely bear fruit before very long. The acting commissioner and the gold commissioner have taken the matter up and the recommendation has been forwarded to Ottawa suggesting to the minister that the change be made at the earliest opportunity. It was pointed out that the large bulk of the mining done in the district was among the tributaries of the Sixtymile some forty-five miles distant from the recording office over a trail that is cold and bleak in the winter and almost impassible in the summer. There is but very little mining in Canadian territory in the immediate vicinity of Fortymile town as the international boundary is but 22 miles up the river. With the discovery of gold on Boucher creek this summer and the probabilities of the creek turning out well it has become almost imperative that the miners of that section have an office wherein they may transact their business without having to travel the long and wearisom trail to either Fortymile or Dawson. During the past year sufficient new ground has been opened on Glacier to warrant the statement that it will soon develop into one of the best producers in the territory and the same thing is true of Miller creek as soon as the litigation now on is settled.

In the meantime, the present recorder at Fortymile, R. M. Blair, has been instructed to make monthly visits to the Sixtymile district pending the removal of the recorder's office to that point. It is not thought the department at Ottawa will refuse to heed the recommendation from Dawson, but until such is passed upon nothing will be done with reference to the selection of a location. The commissioner has stated, however, that in the event of the removal of the office the location chosen will be in the most central position it will be possible to find, one that is of equally easy access from all the creeks.

Boers at Quebec

Quebec, Oct. 2.—The steamship Lake Champlain, which arrived in port about 5 o'clock this afternoon, had on board the Boer delegates sent by the imperial government on the advice of Lord Milner, High Commissioner in South Africa, to make a trip of Canada to study modern ways of farming, stock-raising, fruit-growing, fruit-packing, etc. The party is composed of the following: Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Jooste, Mr. and Mrs. D. Lan of Klerksdorp, Transvaal, and Mr. Rood of the Ermelo district, same state. Messrs. Jooste and Lan were taken prisoners with Cronje at Paardeberg and sent to St. Helena. Rood was a fighter from the beginning to the end. Rood and Jooste belong to the Boer race and Lan is an Irishman living in South Africa for more than 30 years. They are well educated and speak good English. They have for their mission the making of observations on cultivating and farming, and to give lectures before their own people all around the new British colonies of South Africa after their return.

Prosperous Colony

St. Johns, Nfld., Oct. 2.—The revenue of the colony for the quarter ending September 30th reaches a total of $550,000, which is $20,000 more than the revenue for the corresponding quarter of last year. The revenue for this quarter of 1901 was the highest ever collected during any three months in the colony's fiscal history. The prosperity of Newfoundland is now greater than ever, and all branches of business are booming.

Galley Slave—Auditorium.

Job printing at Nugget office.

NEW POLICE POST

Detachment for Miller and Glacier This Winter.

As soon as the Tyrrell gets in from Eagle she will be requisitioned to take across the river to West Dawson Constable Burke, who is going out to open a detachment of the Mounted Police on Miller or Glacier. Major Cuthbert said this morning that the need of a police post there had been recently brought to his notice by the committal of two or three small robberies. Constable Burke would board in one of the cabins there until materials and supplies for a permanent post could be taken in over the snow. He could not say just where the post would be located, but it would be in the locality most convenient for covering the whole district.

MAIL FOR MILLER

Police Patrol to Make Trip Every Fortnight.

The miners of Miller and Glacier creek are to have a fortnightly mail service as soon as winter travel over the government road from here begins. Major Cuthbert gave out this good news this morning. He says that as soon as a steamer comes in by which a constable can be sent over the river, Constable Burke will be sent in with A. Miller, the discoverer of Miller creek, to establish a police detachment post there, and that the police patrol will every fortnight carry out the mail for the miners there until a regular government mail service is established.

Strike Riot

Glens Falls, N.Y., Oct. 4.—A mob of fully 5,000 sympathizers of the Hudson Valley railway strikers paraded the streets here tonight, stopping all cars as they came through and stoning them, breaking windows and cutting trolley ropes. So great did the disturbance become that Sheriff Gill ordered out Company K of the National Guards stationed here, to disperse the mob. When the rioters began their work the majority of non-union employes of the company gave themselves into the hands of the police for protection, but some deserted to the strikers. Four cars were stalled on the switch and all the windows in them were broken.

The trouble was precipitated by the calling of a mass meeting by the Federation of Labor. This brought out an enormous crowd. No attempt is being made to run the cars, and it has become evident that the police are unable to cope with the situation. The sheriff was appealed to, and he asked aid of the militia. It was thought several more strikers would go back to work Monday, but this demonstration may make a change. One of the non-union employes named Curio, of Brooklyn, left his car as the stones were coming too thick for him. The mob seized him, and he is in a very serious condition under the care of a physician.

The New Cunarders

New York, Oct. 4.—Designs for the two new Cunarders, which will be built on the Clyde, have not been completed, cables the London correspondent of the Tribune, but the tentative plans and drawings have been inspected by the admiralty officials and directors of the company. The tonnage, length and engine power depend upon the speed which will be attempted, and until this is determined neither of these designs can be prepared nor tenders offered.

The gain in speed since 1840 has been about two and one half knots each decade, but every additional knot represents an enormous increase in the cost of construction and the consumption of coal. Engineers estimate that the new steamers, if designed for a speed of 24 knots, will need to be 750 feet long, and will cost about $4,375,000 each. The fast German liners now afloat have averaged about $3,000,000, but the Kaiser Wilhelm II., now under construction, will be still faster and will cost considerably more than $3,500,000. If the designers are required to produce 25 knots, they will be forced to increase the length of the vessels and run the cost up to about $4,500,000.

Roosevelt is Displeased.

Because it has been announced in some places that he will make a campaign speech this fall. But Dunham is not at all displeased at what his customers say, because they are unanimous in saying they can always get the best at his place.

TIMBER AND LAND AGENT

Fat Plum Drops in Hands of H. M. Martin

Succeeds Mr. Gosselin Who Has Been Made Assistant Gold Commissioner.

Acting-Commissioner Major Wood received a wire this morning from Ottawa giving out the information that Mr. H. Milton Martin, formerly connected with the gold commissioner's department and later chief clerk and accountant in the crown timber and land office, had been given the appointment of crown timber and land agent vice Mr. F. X. Gosselin, who has become the assistant gold commissioner. The news of his promotion which was first given him by the acting commissioner, came as a surprise to Mr. Martin who was not anticipating any such reward for his services in the past.

Mr. Martin was originally from Montreal though for a number of years previous to coming inside he resided in British Columbia. He arrived in Dawson in June, '98, coming here with the idea of digging his fortune out of the ground and not as an employee of the government. A month after his arrival he took a position in the postoffice where he remained until September of the same year when he took charge of the bureau of information in the gold commissioner's office. In February, '99, he was again promoted being made one of the mining recorders. In March, 1900, another step forward was made, he being sent to Selkirk as mining recorder and crown timber and land agent at that outside office. He was made a justice of the peace May 24, 1900, and was promoted to the crown timber and land office in this city in February, 1901, where he has remained ever since. During his residence in the Klondike Mr. Martin has made many friends in his official capacity, all of whom will congratulate him on his latest promotion. He takes charge of the timber and land office immediately.

Scene of a Honeymoon

San Francisc, Oct. 6.—Oscal Newlin, third assistant lightkeeper at the lighthouse on the Farallon Islands ended a vacation of two weeks on the mainland today and when he went back to the lonely island lighthouse station he took with him a bride.

Newlin has for several years been in the lighthouse service and his life has been a lonely one. For over three years he was one of the crew of the lightship that, with the exception of a few days each year, remained at anchor about fourteen miles off the Cliff House as a guide to vessels entering the harbor. During that three years he never left the vessel except at the times she came into the harbor for her annual overhauling. Since leaving the lightship he has been one of four men who keep the light burning on the peak of the lonely rock from where on clear days they can dimly see the mountains of the main land far to the east, like a blue haze.

Now he has a wife to make his life less lonesome. The honeymoon box of the couple was a trip to the lighthouse rock island in one of Crowley's launches and with them they took sufficient furniture to commence housekeeping in a modest way in one of the cottages that are clustered in a sheltered nook close by the base of the tower which burns the mariner's guiding light.

Archbishop Kaine.

St. Louis, Mo., Oct. 3.—Archbishop John J. Kaine, who has been in poor health for the past six months, has experienced a marked change for the worse in the past two days. The archbishop's ailment is closely akin to paralysis, and while his physicians do not think there is immediate danger, it is known from the nature of his disease that the end is likely to come at any time.

Enormous was a fairly impressive word until historical novels began to succeed.—Puck.

Georgie—"Paw, what is a philanthropist?" "An easy mark, my son."—Ohio State Journal.