

OVER THE DIVIDE TO DOMINION.

Hundreds of Men Sledding Their Outfits Up the Creeks.

Nugget Representatives Find Activity all Along the Line—A Hard Trail Over Bear Creek Hill—New Strike Being Made on Hunker.

Two representatives of the Nugget made a trip last week, covering Hunker and Dominion creeks and the tributaries now being worked on them. The trail from Dawson to Dominion is constantly filled with hundreds of men packing and sledding their winter's outfits to their claims. For the most part the trails are in pretty fair shape and rapid progress is made, especially by those fortunate enough to be the possessors of a dog team. In some few places, however, it is well-nigh impossible to pass. Probably the most difficult piece of trail on the whole trip is just this side of Bear Creek on the Klondike. During the summer and until within a very short time, in fact, the trail followed a narrow shelf around the bluff and was almost perfectly level.

About two weeks ago a slide occurred on the hill, taking the shelf and trail with it, into the Klondike. As a result, the trail now goes straight up the bluff which at this particular place rises almost perpendicularly. To increase the difficulty the Klondike at the bottom runs with a very deep and swift current and a single mis-step is liable at any moment to send the unfortunate gold-seeker down into the icy waters.

On Wednesday last a man with a large pack on his back lost his footing while passing over the hill and half-rolled and half-slid down the steep embankment toward the river. Fortunately a ledge of rock projected over the stream a short distance, and upon this the man was enabled to check his descent by seizing hold of a nearby sapling. He was unable to rise, however, on account of his pack and the peculiar manner in which he had fallen and began crying for help. It happened that a party of three or four men were ascending the hill from the other side and, hearing his cries, hastened to the man's relief. By dint of hard work they managed to crawl down so that a long pole could be extended to within the unfortunate man's reach and by that means he was rescued. A rumor was current along the trail that another man had slipped down the bluff into the river and was drowned, but it could not be verified.

Road-houses have been established at frequent intervals along the trail and there will be no need of the unlucky traveler camping out this winter, as was the case last year. From the mouth of Bear creek up over the divide between Hunker and Dominion and down that creek as far as 29 below upper discovery accommodations can be secured at rates which, when compared with prevailing Dawson prices, are very reasonable.

Dominion, as is well known, will be thoroughly prospected this winter, and already new claims, heretofore unprospected are turning out in a way very pleasing to their owners. As far down as Gold Run which comes in at 28 below lower discovery the pay has been uncovered and at intervals along the creek the same thing is taking place every day.

On 24 below a new strike has been recently made. Three days have already been let on the claim and additional men will be put on immediately.

On 21 below upper, pay gravel has been struck at a depth of only two feet. Pans from this shaft are running ten and fifteen cents, with, of course, an indefinite depth yet to go to bedrock. The pay-streak has been uncovered on 14 below upper, and on this claim pans running fifty cents and upwards are being taken out.

On Sullivan's claim, No. 13 above lower, laymen are taking out dirt running \$1.00 and \$1.50 to the pan.

Hunker creek is also humming with workmen, especially in the vicinity of discovery.

Wm. Ewing and Oscar Hall are located on 7 above and are rapidly sinking to bedrock. The claim they are working is in the vicinity of Hunker's best ground, and, in consequence, the boys are feeling confident of good results. A hole 32 feet to bedrock has been sunk on 6 above. Gravel running 25 cents to the pan has been struck with the width of the streak yet undetermined.

On some of the claims water is still hindering work. It will probably require two or three weeks of cold weather before all trouble from this source will cease.

Along Hunker and Dominion the trail follows the creek bed except in such places where the ice has not formed sufficiently strong to stand sledding. In these places the trail still follows the hillside and for the most part is uneven and exceedingly slippery. A great deal of the travel is passing up the left fork of Hunker and over the divide onto Lombard creek which comes in at 3 above upper. The ridge at this point is quite steep and the trail is still decidedly rough, but when worn down it will probably be the easiest route to Dominion. The trail, however, has many advantages compared with the dome trail. There is only the one ridge to cross on the entire trip, and the traveler has the advantage of being protected from the wind by the hills on either side of the creek.

Dynamo Stuck at Indian River.

The Dawson Electric Light Company are getting anxious about the non-arrival of the three scoops of dynamo, machinery and supplies which were last reported in the neighborhood of the mouth of Indian river. The scoops are

in charge of Captain Oleson and George Esterly and Manager Trenholm has gone afoot up the river to investigate. All hope of being able to bring the scoops down the river has been abandoned and sledding over the Yukon will have to be resorted to. The final blocking of the ice and freeze-up of the river cannot be delayed much longer.

The Electric Light Co. has strung wires into a number of Dawson's more prominent business buildings, and the incandescent lamps are only awaiting the arrival of the dynamo to glow with a brilliance to which Dawson is unused. The patrons as well as the company are being put out by the non-arrival of the machinery.

THE ALL DECEIVING WHISKERS.

How a Good Joke Was Turned on Billy McConnell of the Monte Carlo.

The approach of winter marks the period when the Yukon crop of whiskers is harvested. The popular idea on the outside, of the old sour dough Klondiker picture the said Klondiker with a hirsute growth equal to that usually seen in stage representations of old King Lear. The fact of the matter is, that the knowing resident of this arctic climate sheds his hairy facial ornaments as soon as winter's chilling frosts begin to convert his mustache and beard into a combination of frost and icicles. The man who cultivates a long, drooping pair of whiskers when the thermometer is playing around 30 or 40 below, may ordinarily be classed either as a Chesapeake or as a man who is not the possessor of a razor.

In this connection a good story is going the rounds on Billy McConnell of the Monte Carlo. Mc. is a good fellow and enjoys a good joke especially if it happens to be on the other fellow, but of course there are times when—but the story is too good to keep and must be told. A certain man connected with one of Dawson's business houses, following established precedent, recently had his face shaved clean. His appearance was so altered that even the boys in the same office scarcely recognized him when he returned from the barber shop. An agreement was immediately made among them to proceed at once to the Monte Carlo, where all are well known, and put up a job on Mc. A yellow mackinaw, a large slouch hat and a pair of nose glasses transformed the man of smooth face into Mr. Oleson, late of Stockholm, and just arrived in Dawson with three tons of butter on a scow.

Mc. was found busy as usual but with time on his hands to talk butter to Mr. Oleson. It was explained to the Monte man that Oleson was in a hurry to make a turn on the goods in order to get to the outside on the first ice and in consequence the butter could be had at the unusually low figure of \$1.50 per pound net. Bargains like these don't come up in Dawson every day and visions of \$5 per pound and a profit of \$3.50 were dancing in front of him. It required only about three minutes to complete the deal. Mc. would have to consult his partners for a moment, but meanwhile everybody should take something at the bar on the strength of the approaching transaction.

While the rest of the party were regarding themselves at Mr. Mc.'s expense that gentleman was busy arranging the financial end of the proposition with his partners, Messrs. Parker and Rogers. Everything apparently was satisfactory for Mc. soon returned with a smiling face and announced that after one more round at the bar he would proceed with Mr. Oleson to the scow and arrange for delivery of the butter at which time the money would be ready for payment. This was quite satisfactory and respects were again paid to the Monte Carlo's best beverages and cigars. But the joke had been carried sufficiently far to suit all the boys and as Mc. turned to speak to his new Swedish friend, that gentleman removed his glasses and slouch hat and remarked "Well, Mc., if you'll buy one more drink we'll call this thing square." A snapshot of Billy's face at that moment would have been worth a fortune for exhibition purposes, but he soon recovered and acknowledged that never in his life had he been done so neatly as on this occasion. The boys say that it isn't safe to mention Oleson or butter around the Monte Carlo.

Creek Items.

Jimmie McIntosh is reported to have been lost one night, but his friends say that he turned up right side up with care, in the morning.

The Summit hotel, at the divide, between Hunker and Dominion is a favorite resting place for travelers on the creeks. Mine host, Hall always makes things pleasant for his guests.

John Mattier was found in an exhausted condition on Hunker last Wednesday night. He was taken up to the summit hotel and by the next morning was ready to continue on his journey rejoicing.

There is a dead body in a cabin on 430 below Dominion awaiting removal to town. The name of the deceased has not yet been reported, but it is understood that he died from typhoid fever. Another man died last week on Portland creek, the particulars of which have not yet been learned.

Joe Graham, who is located on 75 on Dominion went over the divide into the Flat creek country last week. He was in search of game and his efforts were at last rewarded by sighting a large cow moose and a good-sized calf, both of which fell before his rifle. By this time, however, Graham had lost his bearings and was unable to locate himself for four days. During that time he subsisted entirely upon moose meat, but when he finally determined his whereabouts he was compelled to cache the meat and put off for home. The carcass of the calf, which lay over night, some distance from his camp fire, was entirely eaten by wolves. Graham says the country over there is full of moose, but that it is almost impossible under present conditions to get the meat out.

A Good Nap for 50 Cents.

The Mine Exchange Map of the Klondike Gold Fields, should be in the hands of every miner. For sale at the Nugget office. Price 50 cents.

FIRE DEPARTMENT MEETING.

Assistant Chief Elected and Three Captains Appointed.

A Kind Offer of Father Judge—A Bed at the Disposal of Injured Firemen—A Fireman's Benefit Entertainment for Sunday.

The volunteer fire brigade held their first meeting in their new engine house in the A. C. warehouse on Saturday night. The building has been lined inside throughout and the space between the boards and corrugated iron filled with sand. A large stove made things comfortable for the boys and the hose carts and chemicals were moved outside for the time being to make room for the boys to gather and transact business. Vice-president Allen presided and no time was lost in getting to work. W. H. P. Lyons and P. E. Dundan were named for the position of assistant chief and Lyons was elected.

Chief Fletcher desired the election of three captains for the two chemical engines and the steamer. The sense of the meeting was strongly that he should appoint them that they might be men who would work with him satisfactorily. He therefore appointed Jake Kline as captain of chemical No. 1; P. E. Dundan, captain of chemical No. 2, and H. E. Stumer, captain of the steamer.

The roll of members was announced to have reached the limit of 100 names and the fireman of the steamer having signified a desire to become a member was allowed to sign and to be enrolled, thus making the brigade now 101 strong.

The committee on the firemen's benefit entertainment through Mr. Eschwege reported much progress. The consent of Col. Steele had been obtained and tickets and hand-bills printed. A good many performers and clever amateurs had signified a willingness to participate and it was going to be a big thing. The report pleased all and the committee will continue its good work.

Chief Fletcher reported that the big timbers for the erection of the tower to raise the fire alarm bell above surrounding buildings had been purchased and the large bell, which came with the apparatus would soon be swinging where it could be heard. Bulletin boards were to be constructed and placed in front of the engine house for bearing fire department notices, etc.

Regular meetings were announced for the first Wednesday in each month. Special meetings and drill meetings would be called by the chief as required. The bulletin boards and the bell might be used to aid in bringing them together.

The following letter was intended to be read at the meeting but owing to the sickness of the bearer it failed to turn up and will be presented Wednesday:

Dawson, Yukon Territory, Oct. 27, 1906.
HON. CHIEF OF THE DAWSON VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Dear Sir—It affords me great pleasure to commend the members of your department for their enlistment in such a worthy cause and I am certain every resident here will heartily endorse the spirit which actuated the courageous men who have the safety of Dawson at heart, and in case of an accident, occurring to any member of your department while in active service at a fire, the doors of St. Mary's hospital will always be open to you, free of charge. Very respectfully,
REV. WM. H. JUDGE, S. J., Supt.

Waship Kentucky's Appeal.

Mark ye!
Ye naval experts,
Let me speak, though yet so young,
I would not that you frame as
You frame my sister ships;
For there is that
In my great name demanding change
Launched me,
When I am launched,
In water that is salt—
For water that is fresh
Kentucky distasteful—
Let all the decks
Which cover me
Be cold.
For those are they
Kentucky loves:
No tarrets placed about my form
Armed with those rifled guns,
But let hip-pockets take their place,
With old Kentucky's muskets therein;
Keep my grass from my hull
When I'm afloat,
For Blue Grass
Is Kentucky's pride,
And that she floats in
To her chin.
No donkey engines run on me,
For I am used to thoroughbreds,
And when they run
Kentucky's glad,
When I am lagged
Give me three stacks
Of Red and White and Blue,
And let me fly them at the fore
And victory is mine.
These are Kentucky's colors,
And by them
United will she stand.
Now, mark ye, experts!
This, or naught!
When you christen me
"Kentucky," sirs, let
No champagne be used,
Nor other deadly drug,
Nor fatuous and rapid stuff,
But christen me
With juice of corn
In ancient, unctuous, amber gold;
Old Bourbon Whiskies, sirs,
So hallowed in its age,
So fragrant in perfume,
So smooth in liquid grace
That patriots would weep
To lose a drop.
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And for that name
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Not less than now it is
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