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NORDSTROM IS HANGED

Execution Took Place in Seattle on the Same Day That Witnessed the Hanging of Geo. O'Brien in Dawson—Nordstrom Maintained His Innocence to the Last.

Seattle, Aug. 23, via Skagway, Aug. 28.—Nordstrom was hanged at 9:30 this morning. The condemned man had to be carried to the gallows, having first been roped to a plank. He was held upright on the trap while the noose was adjusted. He continually cried out and protested against the hanging. Six men were required to pinion his arms and legs and hold him in place for the execution. The hanging was entirely successful.

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UNCLE SAM'S YACHT CUP

Challenger Shamrock Has a Trial Spin.

New York, Aug. 22, via Skagway, Aug. 28.—The first trial spin of the challenger Shamrock today gave satisfaction. She covered the eight mile course to windward, against a two-knot tide, in 57 minutes, and returned in 40 minutes. She carried her sail well and her captain and crew were well pleased with the way she handled herself.

ANOTHER BIG TRUST

Rumor That All Ship Building Concerns Are to Be United.

Cleveland, Aug. 22, via Skagway, Aug. 28.—Rumors apparently well founded are in circulation to the effect that a gigantic ship-building trust will be formed to include the Morans at Seattle and the Union Iron Works of San Francisco.

SHAFER CLAIMS

That He Has Plan Which Will Soon End Strike

Pittsburg, Aug. 22, via Skagway, Aug. 28.—President Shaffer claims that he has a scheme which will soon bring the strike to a termination. He declines to disclose his plan but says it will not be by litigation or arbitration.

NOYES FEELS CONFIDENT

Now on His Way to Answer Charges.

Seattle, Aug. 23, via Skagway, Aug. 28.—Judge Noyes of Nome, arrived today, being one of the passengers on the Anasooka. He is on his way to Washington to answer charges before the department of justice. He gives a long interview in the Post-Intelligencer, which amounts to a general denial of these charges, and he expresses confidence in his ability to satisfy the authorities at Washington.

Valuable Books.

Alon Smith, proprietor of the Palace Book Store, has moved to a new location on Third street opposite the N. C. office building. Mr. Smith has gone extensively into the book business and has imported the most valuable stock of books ever brought to this country. Among his consignments are most valuable technical works, embracing geology, mechanics, special systems on power, etc., as well as the lighter literature of modern fiction.

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attle, came up near him and he rescued him.

Together they drifted on some wreckage until they were picked up and when he recovered consciousness Phillips was calling for his wife and child and as he did so, the survivors of the wreck brought the body of his dead girl to him. He refused to leave Juanan.

A Thrilling Experience.

A thrilling experience of services on a sailing vessel in the South Seas is told by Richard Spuke, the second mate of the Danish vessel Sextus, which two weeks ago was at Chemainus loading lumber for Hangburg. The story told by the seaman is one of a fire at sea, a run for the nearest port and the death of two seamen owing to falling spars, and the death of the captain of the ship from the shock of the experience.

The unfortunate vessel referred to above is the Sextus. She is a ship of 1500 tons register, with a capacity of carrying 3500 tons dead weight. The accident occurred in the Indian ocean, and had it not been for the fact that she was an iron ship, she would have been burned to the water's edge and no doubt the crew and officers would have had a miserable death by fire or drowning.

The ship was at the time of the accident sailing for a port in China with a cargo consisting of the exceeding combustible articles, powder and matches. When about half way between Hong Kong and Manila fire was discovered in the hold. The fear of the crew may be imagined if the fact is borne in mind that the cargo was composed principally of powder. In spite of this, however, under the orders of the captain work was immediately commenced to keep the flames under control.

The greater part of the cargo of powder was immediately thrown overboard, while the remainder was put in a part of the vessel distant from where the fire was raging. Some 1500 tons of coal, which was also included in the cargo, was left in the hold and the hatches were battened down so as to allow no air to enter.

In the meantime, the nearest port being Hong Kong, the captain had ordered that the ship be steered for that point. A contrary wind, however, then sprang up and the head of the ship was turned for Manila.

Their misfortunes were not even over, and had they not before reaching Manila run into a gale everything would have terminated well with the exception of the loss of a great amount of the cargo.

The strong wind struck the vessel unexpectedly and carried away the yardarm, which fell to the deck, striking two of the crew—John Anderson and Peter Jesson—killing them instantly. In falling the yardarm grazed the shoulder of Mr. Spuke and a wire in connection with it ran completely through his body.

Manila was reached without any further adventures, and on sighting that port signals of distress were shown and an American man-of-war came to the rescue.

Steam pumps were immediately set to work, and the fire, which had been raging in the hold through the voyage back, was soon extinguished. It was found that out of 1500 tons of coal 800 had been burned.

Mr. Spuke had in the meantime been taken to the hospital, suffering from the wound made by the wire, and the captain had also been taken to the same place suffering from a fever contracted, caused by the shock of the experience through which he had passed.

The captain, whose name was H. P. Lason, never recovered, in spite of the strenuous efforts made by the doctors. He has a widow and family in Germany, and the event is particularly sad as he intended making this his last voyage, spending the remainder of his life at home with his family. He was an old and experienced seaman and well known by those who have to do with marine business, as he often called at Chemainus for lumber and at this port on his way up or down.

Mr. Spuke, after spending some weeks in the hospital at Manila, did not seem to make much progress towards recovery, and being told by his physicians that he would die unless he took a change of climate, he decided to come to British Columbia on the Sextus. It was in this way that he arrived at Chemainus a few weeks ago and went to the Chemainus hospital, from which establishment he has just been released, having completely recovered from the effects of his accident.

On reaching this port the ship Sextus, which was on account of the death of her former captain in charge of the mate on her trip here, was joined by Capt. Erickson, who was sent out by the owners of the vessel to take charge of her.—Victoria Times.

EDWARD SEVENTH

Keeps His Court Officers Constantly Employed.

New York, Aug. 18.—A special dispatch from London signed by Mr. Isaac N. Ford, in today's Tribune says: Court officials are enjoying the first holiday which they have had since the opening of the new reign. The king has kept them employed in a most businesslike way and has changed all the methods and habits of the court, laying out work for every one and it is said upon having it done with precision and dispatch. Inquiries have been ordered and new details of organization introduced until the officials, accustomed to the more leisurely ways of the late Queen Victoria's reign, are fairly out of breath.

Arrangements have been made for the coronation with painstaking care, and the plans are now in process of elaboration during the king's absence on the continent. Four great officials will have charge of the coronation ceremony. The lord chamberlain will be master of all details at Buckingham and St. James palaces. The master of the horse and the earl marshal will direct the progress of the royal procession to Westminster abbey and its return to the palace; the lord great chamberlain (and the highest court must decide who he is) will have charge of the ceremony at the abbey, and arrangements for seating the elect among the titled and privileged few. The triumphal progress of the king and queen on the day after the coronation and the arrangements for entertaining special embassies and royal guests are matters of detail already under consideration. Conditions have been transferred since the last coronation and the ceremony has become vastly more difficult to arrange owing to the increased pressure of titled and privileged people seeking admission to the abbey.

Spaces have been allotted already in the abbey and plans made for the accommodation of the titled classes and royal guests, and the officials assert that when the ministers, the court officials, the diplomatic corps and the colonial representatives are crowded in there will not be room for anybody else.

The problem of accommodation for those who can present a valid claim to present is pronounced in advance utterly impossible. The great majority of those who contrive to gain admission will be where they cannot see what goes on. During the protracted ceremony the nave will be crowded, but effectively cut off from a view of the coronation service.

Japs in British Columbia.

The note from Mr. Chamberlain in regard to Japanese immigration may be taken as an intimation that the clouds still hang low over Asia. Japan is too valuable an ally to be lost to the British over trifles at the present time; and after all the grievances of a few thousand people in British Columbia weigh but little when placed in the scale in opposition to the political schemes of an Empire. Besides, the Japanese are a self-respecting race and not likely to force themselves upon people who do not desire their company. Once they land in this country of plenty, however, they are not likely to go back home again. When they are here they must have employment, hence the gathering on the fishing grounds. On the attitude of the people of British Columbia being drawn to the attention of the Japanese government, it stemmed the tide of immigration and there has since been no cause of complaint. The number of the diminutive chaps at present arriving is not at all alarming. What the Dominion government thinks about the communications of the colonial secretary remains to be seen. The government of the Mikado objects to his imperial majesty's subjects being classed as inferior to any people. Governments may remove the ban but they cannot control feelings.—Victoria Times.

HOTEL ARRIVALS.

FLANNERY. J. Gubbins, Dawson; Ed Binsel, Frank Wiman, creek; J. T. Yeager, Dominion; C. McDonald, Bonanza; Geo. Kruse, Gold Run; R. Danielson, Forks; J. Lesley, Forks; R. Baird, Forks; A. Wigen, Gold Run; Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Johnson and family, Bonanza; D. Hackett, Sulphur; D. A. Campbell, American gulch; J. R. Frank, Dominion; R. E. Woodson, Dawson; Wm. Sullivan, Bear; G. W. Dillen, American gulch; John Mallen, Magnet Hill.

M'DONALD. J. J. Rutledge, Thos. B. Brennan, Emil Persson, James Butler, Richard Baile, Fred Sanchez, S. Garzham, Dawson; Wm. H. M. Coleman and son.

REGINA. Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Graham.

Paul C. T. Dumais, Dominion land surveyor, has returned from Stewart river, where he has been engaged on a survey for a concession applied for by Rene de Label, who returned with him. A. M. C. Treadgold, accompanied by Sir Thomas Trenchard, left early this morning for Quartz creek, to be gone three or four days. Sir Thomas represents London capital.

HIS VERACITY QUESTIONED.

Witness Would Not Believe Mortimer Under Oath—The Evidence of the Prosecution Finished This Morning—The Magistrate Reserved Judgment Until Tomorrow.

From your personal knowledge of Mortimer and from the general reputation he bears for truth and veracity, would you believe him under oath?" was a question Attorney Hagel, who is defending J. H. Rogers, asked every witness of the prosecution this morning and without exception they all replied "I would not."

Rogers is well known was arrested on a charge of assault preferred by Mortimer who alleged that he had been enticed into a shaft by Rogers and kept there 12 hours without food, in which a confession might be forced from him to stealing gold dust to the value of \$400 from their cabin on No. 1 above discovery on Thistle creek. A partial hearing of the case was held a week ago, but an adjournment was taken for the purpose of getting further witnesses.

Lawrence Field a partner of Rogers and Mortimer in the claim and in the stolen dust was the first witness called this morning.

On the 6th of this month the date on which Mortimer alleges to have been enticed into the shaft, the witness was at the mouth of Thistle creek fishing in company with Kramer the keeper of the roadhouse. He was aware that the gold had been taken from the cabin and had suspected Mortimer of having taken it. His suspicions were grounded on the fact that only the three partners knew of the existence and whereabouts of the dust, and the morning on which it had been taken Mortimer had gone to the cabin for his belt and at that time had an excellent opportunity to get away with the dust. After the discovery was made that the dust was missing a meeting of the miners on the creek had been called to consider the best steps to be taken to discover the thief and recover the dust. There were some suspicious cast on Peter Bowden, but witness did not at any time suspect or say that he suspected Bowden of taking the dust. Mortimer asked witness if he had not heard Rogers suggest hanging Bowden to force him to confess, to which witness replied that he had not. Mortimer asked if he (Mortimer) did not raise objections to the proposed hanging, to which witness replied that he did not remember anything being said about hanging. He did not remember a suggestion that watch be kept over Bowden. Rogers had gone to get assistance from the police. Under cross examination witness stated that Mortimer's actions did not have the appearance of being sincere in his endeavors to find the thief. Mortimer had no money when he came to work on the claim. Witness had furnished him his winter's supply of food and provisions. Thistle gold is very coarse and to get a small amount of fine dust such as Mortimer had said he panned out from the dump would take at least \$100 altogether. Witness had heard Mortimer tell the story of robbing the dead man of a watch on board ship and afterwards being troubled by his conscience and also to avoid detection had thrown it overboard. He had also heard Mortimer tell the story of having gotten even with a partner while working at Cassiar bar whom he considered wasn't doing his share of the work, by taking a large nugget. While sitting with Mortimer on the hillside one day the latter had told him that Rogers wasn't doing his share and while he hadn't spoken of robbing him there was an inflection in his voice which led him to believe that was what he meant—in some similar manner to that employed by Mortimer in the case he had above cited. Witness was here asked the question put to all the witnesses that being acquainted personally with Mortimer and knowing his general reputation, if he would believe him on oath, to which he responded "No." Mortimer asked witness if at the time they were preparing to go to the claim, he did not have money, to which witness replied that he had helped to buy the outfit and that had taken all his money or all the money witness knew that he had.

A NEW DEPARTURE

Sermon in Catholic Church Will Be Occasionally in German.

A new innovation recently inaugurated in St. Mary's church, made necessary by the cosmopolitan character of the residents of Dawson, is that of having the sermon preached in the German language every fourth Sunday in the month. Father Ellesbacher, a priest direct from Bavaria, Germany, occupied the pulpit last Sunday evening and in the language of his native land delivered an eloquent discourse. Services are now held in St. Mary's in three languages, low mass and instructions in French at 5 o'clock, high mass and sermon in English at 10:30 and a sermon in German in the evening of every fourth Sunday in the month.

A SMALL BLAZE

Fire Department Called out for First Time in Weeks.

For the first time in three weeks the fire department was called out last night at half past nine in response to an alarm turned in from Fourth avenue and Third street. The fire was due to the burning out of a chimney leading from the bake ovens of the Washington bakery. By the time the chemical had arrived the stove pipe was red hot for six or eight feet and from the top was pouring out a volume of sparks and pyrotechnic stunner to a miniature volcano. The trouble was caused by the neglect to clean out the pipe of a thick deposit of cressote, which becoming ignited soon developed into a roaring furnace. The damage was very slight.

The Linda with one barge arrived at noon today 35 days out from St. Michael. The latter point was left July 24 with two barges, one of which was loaded exclusively with army supplies for Fort Gibbon and was left at Tanas. In the other barge was quite a quantity of freight for the soldiers at Fort Albert. Some 30 or 40 passengers were aboard the Linda, only three of whom, however, were from St. Michael, the balance being picked up at way points. The cargo for Dawson amounts to 400 tons.

Mrs. Tom Kirkpatrick left Victoria on the 20th with furniture and fittings complete for the new residence which her husband has built on Third street this summer. Henceforth the governor's residence, it will be the headquarters of the robbery and also that Mortimer

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