

HOW NELSON CAN BE PICKED UP

TROUBLE BREWING IN SOUTH AMERICA

RELATIONS BETWEEN REPUBLICS STRAINED

Many British Claims For Damages—Alban's Protest Against Action of Railway Officials.

Colon, Colombia, Dec. 7.—Gen. Alban, the Colombian commander, returned here early this morning on the British cruiser "Tribe" from Bocas del Toro and went to Panama at 8 a.m.

A Colombian soldier who bayoneted a steward of the Tribune at Bocas del Toro, was brought to Colon and will be imprisoned at Panama for 30 days.

Many British claims for damages sustained at Bocas del Toro and elsewhere are being presented to the government. The Colombian commander, Gen. Alban, received the following telegram from Bogota, the capital of the republic:

"The country proclaims you the saviour of the republic by virtue of your recent admirable triumphs."

Gen. Alban informed the correspondent of the Associated Press that the authorities at Bogota notified him some days ago that all diplomatic relations between Venezuela and Colombia had been severed, thus confirming previous advice on the same subject.

Venezuela has 10,000 men in the Tabirra district under Gen. Gonzalo Valencia. Colombia has a much smaller force at San Cristobal under Gen. Castro.

Gen. Alban lays all the blame for the recent isthmian events on the Panama railroad. He says it was criminal to bring the enemy from Las Cascaidas station to the gates of Colon, allowing the Liberal soldiers to subsequently pay their fares for the journey. The general has formally protested against this action and a lawsuit will follow. He further declares that the railroad's subsequent refusal to convey government troops along the line to the scene of the engagements greatly intensified the offence committed.

Gen. Alban declares that the interior of Colombia is all but quiet and that the prospects of peace throughout the republic are now very bright.

OBJECT TO NEW DUTIES. Fight Between Arabs and Turkish Troops at Tripoli—Several Killed.

Paris, Dec. 7.—The Temps to-day publishes a dispatch from Tunis saying that serious disorders have occurred at Souk El Djemaa, near Tripoli. The Arabs, discontented with the institution of military service and the imposition of new duties, petitioned the police commander to issue a writ of infantry, which was refused. To restore order, were stoned and attacked with cudgels. When the soldiers quitted the outbreak they found that six Arabs and two Turks were killed, and that numbers were wounded. Martial law has been proclaimed in the disturbed district.

THE RAISIN CROP. Attempt to Corner Unsold Portions—Price Has Been Advanced.

Fresno, Cal., Dec. 7.—It is stated on good authority that a movement is on foot to corner the unsold portion of the raisin crop. The companies comprising the American Raisin Packing Company are the principals in the deal. They now have nearly all the raisins of California Grover's Association in their hands, and are attempting to secure the outside crops, which have been held by growers in the hope of higher prices. There is a great demand for raisins, and the price has advanced one cent from 2 1/2 to 3 cents per pound.

LYNCHED. Negro Taken From Officers and Hanged to Electric Light Pole.

Lake Charles, La., Dec. 7.—Saul Poydras, a negro who cut Chief Deputy Sheriff C. N. Richard and wife seriously with a razor on Thursday night, was arrested yesterday near Walsh, 20 miles east of this city. Poydras was brought here, and the officers were about to lodge him in the parish prison, when a mob overpowered the guards, took charge of the prisoner and hanged him to an electric light pole a few rods from the court house. The lynching occurred about 2 o'clock this morning.

CAUSES CANCER. Dr. Braithwaite Says One of Factors Is Too Much Salt.

New York, Dec. 7.—According to the London correspondent of the Herald, the Lancet this week publishes a long article by Dr. Jas. Braithwaite, advancing the theory that excess of salt in one's diet is one of four factors which originate cancer.

TO INVESTIGATE TRUSTS. Paris, Dec. 6.—The French government has decided to make a special investigation of American trusts. Lazare Weiller, councillor of foreign commerce, and Maurice La Grotelle, an engineer, have been entrusted with the mission. They will proceed to the United States to investigate the economic, fiscal and social consequences which the trust system may have to Europe, especially to France. They sail on December 14th on the French line steamer La Savoie.

ANOTHER TRAIN WRECK. Portland, Ore., Dec. 7.—The Southern Pacific express, which left San Francisco yesterday morning, and was due here at 7:20 o'clock to-night, was wrecked near Salton this evening. The engineer was killed and the fireman seriously injured.

CORONATION ROBES.

Designs of Garments to Be Worn By the King and Queen.

London, Dec. 7.—The designs for the coronation robes have finally been decided upon. King Edward will wear a cloth of gold, the under jacket embroidered with palm branches and the Shamrock, Rose and Thistle. On the King's stole the cross of St. George, the Royal crown and the Rose, Shamrock and Thistle will be woven in gold thread. His cape will be a magnificent garment worked with silver eagles and Fleur de Lys, and the national floral emblems.

The Queen will wear robes almost exactly similar to those of Queen Adelaide, which will be brought to Marlborough House from Brodie Castle, where they are kept as heirlooms. In spite of their age they are found to be in excellent condition. They are of black velvet, manufactured on hand looms, elaborately embroidered and faced, with gold trimmings and huge hanging sleeves.

The coronation robes will last four hours. After the sacrament has been administered to the King he will discard the church vestments and put on his state robes. Over three thousand precious stones, diamonds, pearls, rubies, sapphires and emeralds will be included in the King's crown. There will be 1,200 pure white diamonds and 1,270 rose diamonds. The historic ruby, which the King of Castile gave to the Black Prince in 1375, and which was subsequently worn by Henry V. at Azincourt, is in the centre of the crown, placed in the heart of a Maltese cross.

HAS LION SHARE.

Last Year Britain's Trade With Philippines Increased Over Seventy-Six Per Cent.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 7.—A comparative statement of the commerce of the Philippine islands for the fiscal year 1901 and 1900, prepared in the division of insular affairs for the war department, shows that the total value of merchandise imported during the fiscal year 1901, was \$30,279,406, as against \$20,601,436 for the fiscal year 1900, and the total value of merchandise exported during the fiscal year 1901, was \$23,704,741, as against \$19,751,068 for the fiscal year 1900, an increase of 47 per cent. in the value of imports and an increase of 17 1/2 per cent. in the value of exports.

The value of imports of merchandise from the United States was \$2,555,685, an increase of 72.4 per cent. over the previous year; of the United Kingdom, \$6,956,145, increase of 70.3 per cent.; of Germany, \$2,133,252, increase of 70.5 per cent.; and of France, \$1,688,029, increase of 246.7 per cent. The value of exports of merchandise to the United States was \$2,572,021, a decrease of 27 per cent.; to Great Britain, \$10,704,741, increase 72 per cent.; Germany, \$81,534, decrease 16.3 per cent.; France, \$1,931,256, increase 38.9 per cent.

BARTENDER'S SUICIDE. Had Been in Ill-Health for Time.

Winnipeg, Man., Dec. 7.—The bartender of the Royal hotel, who has been ill for some time, got up from his bed about midnight last night and putting on his clothes, escaped from the house without being seen. Meeting a couple of acquaintances on the street he endeavored to run away from them, but they caught up before he had gone far, and asked him what was the matter. After hesitating for some time, he replied that he was going to the river to drown himself. A little later he bolted from his friends, and escaped in the darkness, running towards the Red river. At an early this morning nothing had been heard of him.

Body Found. Later—This morning, about 8:30, the dead body of the bartender was found floating in the river to down himself. A little later he bolted from his friends, and escaped in the darkness, running towards the Red river. At an early this morning nothing had been heard of him.

CHINESE FINANCE. Increase of Import Tariff Only Solution of Present Difficulty.

New York, Dec. 7.—It is apparent, says the Shanghai correspondent of the Times, that there can be no immediate solution of the existing difficulties in regard to the Chinese finance, unless the powers consent to a substantial increase of the import tariff. In return for this the Chinese government would probably agree to the total abolition of the iklin duties, under guarantees similar to those of article VII of the Hongkong opium convention of 1855. The various measures now recommended or adopted in the provinces are, says the correspondent, generally hopeless makeshifts.

FATAL COLLISION. Melvern, Ark., Dec. 6.—Five more deaths have occurred as a result of the head-on collision between two passenger trains on the St. Louis Iron Mountain & Southern railway near here last night. Twenty-eight injured colored passengers were taken to the hospital at Little Rock to-day. The developments to-day indicated that the collision was the result of a misunderstanding of orders.

INSULTED EX-MINISTER. Posen, Prussian Poland, Dec. 6.—Herr Rakowsky, editor of the "Poznaner Zeitung," was sentenced to-day to two years' imprisonment for insulting the former imperial postmaster, Gen. von Podbielski, and for contempt of the publisher of the newspaper, Herr Piedermaan, was sentenced to six weeks' imprisonment for abusing Herr Rakowsky.

DEAFNESS OF 12 YEARS' STANDING. Pronounced Catarrh produces deafness in many cases. Capt. Ben. Connor, of Toronto, Canada, was deaf for 12 years from a Catarrh. All treatments failed to relieve. Dr. Agnew's Catarrhal Powder gave him relief in one day, and in a very short while the deafness lay him entirely. It will do as much for you. 50 cents. Sold by Jackson & Co. and Hall & Co.—32.

PRINCE'S SPEECH WARMLY PRAISED

HIS SENTIMENTS WERE A SURPRISE TO MANY

Statist Advocates Importation of Ore From Nova Scotia and Newfoundland—Troubles of Royalties.

London, Dec. 7.—The evolution of the Prince of Wales from a sailor into an orator causes more comment and satisfaction than any other event of the week. The Guildhall speech was perfectly free from that platitudinous element usually found in Royal utterances in England. His declaration that the Old Country must wake up if it wanted to hold its own almost took his hearers' breath away, but it has produced in all sections of the press praise quite unattainable by severity. It is probable that the Prince was not entirely responsible for the construction of the speech, as he used copious notes. Yet his delivery, earnestness and willingness to commit himself to such sentiments have raised him higher in the estimation of the people than any previous action. Indeed, several of the papers declared that the elocution of Lord Salisbury, Lord Rosebery and Mr. Chamberlain fell never come so prominently before the public as they have to-day. The difficulties of Queen Wilhelmina of the Netherlands, the dramatic circumstances which form the topics of course in the romantic halo surrounding Queen, and the keen interest her marriage, led many to believe Holland's scandal may have grave political consequences for Europe, and closely connected are followed closely by statements. Those best fitted to judge are inclined to the belief that it will all blow over for the present, but there are grave apprehensions for the future.

From a personal point of view England is more deeply concerned in the proceedings going on in Hesse, where the Grand Duchess of Hesse is on the verge of separating from her husband. A youthful marriage—the Grand Duchess of Hesse was only eighteen when she exchanged her British for a continental title—has proved to be one of the most unfortunate ones of the royal world, and the climax, it is believed, would have been reached ere this had it not been for the late Queen Victoria's imperious influence.

The Duke of Edinburgh's other daughter, the Crown Princess of Roumania, according to common report, also leads a none too happy existence, though recent rumors of an open rupture are met with strenuous official denial. Then there are scandals going on in the courts at Edinburgh and Lisbon, but these have been so long before the public eye as to need no comment.

GUERRILLA WARFARE. Gen. Chaffee's Report on the Situation in the Philippines.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 6.—The war department to-day made public the first annual report of Major-General Chaffee, military governor of the Philippines. The report, which is a long one, states that the Philippines are now in a situation of peace from a military point of view by stating that the provinces of Batangas and Laguna, in Luzon, and the Islands of Samar, Mindoro, Cebu and Bohol constitute the areas now disturbed by any embodied force of insurgents. He says that to the physical character of the country, to the nature of the warfare of the rebels who are aming and foe in the self same hour, to the humanity of troops which is taken advantage of by the rebels and the inhabitants who sympathize with them, and to the fear of assassination on the part of the military, he attributes the failure of the United States forces, is due the prolongation of the guerilla warfare.

Commenting upon the plan of gradually republishing with civil administration, General Chaffee says: "The withdrawal of interference with civil affairs does not mean withdrawal of the troops from their stations to any considerable extent. On the contrary, they should not be done hastily, and when undertaken should be gradual and more in the nature of concentrating than reduction of area or abandonment of any considerable area of territory."

He therefore recommends that there be no further material reduction of troops before January, 1903.

SALT RHEUM, TETTER, ECZEMA.—These distressing skin diseases relieved by one application. Dr. Agnew's Ointment is a potent cure for all eruptions of the skin. It is a simple, safe, and effective remedy. It is sold by all druggists. Price, 50 cents. Sold by Jackson & Co. and Hall & Co.—32.

MOVED IN THE COFFIN.

Horrible Scene at Execution of a Convict in Arkansas.

Little Rock, Ark., Dec. 6.—Bad Wilson, the convict who killed R. H. Taylor, a guard of the Lyall county convict camp, last December, was hanged to-day at Danville. Twenty minutes after the trap was sprung the body was lowered into a coffin. Before the lid was placed upon the coffin, this body began moving about. Wilson opened his eyes and his whole frame shivered. He was taken from the coffin by the deputies and carried up the steps to the scaffold for the purpose of hanging him again, but when the platform was reached the body became rigid, and remained so a moment, and then became limp. Wilson was examined carefully by the physicians, who finally pronounced him dead, his death having been caused by strangulation.

BANK BOOKKEEPER ADMITS FORGERY

London, Dec. 9.—Thos. F. Goudie, the former bookkeeper of the Bank of Liverpool, "Dick" Barge, the English pugilist, and A. T. Kelly, the bookmaker of Bradford, were arraigned at Bow street police court this morning in connection with the Liverpool bank frauds.

The prosecuting counsel said that Goudie admitted that he had forged cheques, but disputed the aggregate amount. The statement of counsel was only a reiteration of the facts already known.

The most interesting point was the announcement made by counsel that he would be able to prove that after Kelly had "faked" Goudie to the extent of £72,000, Burge got wind of the situation and in conjunction with Lawrie Marks, the American bookmaker, who is said to have committed suicide by jumping from the deck of a steamship, and James Mangle, a bookmaker well known on the American tracks, decided not to leave Goudie in the hands of Kelly. The trio thereupon dispatched Mance to interview Goudie, with the result that he agreed to give up the £72,000, which Burge received one half. Mance one third and Marks one sixth.

BRIGANDS' CAPTIVES ARE NOW IN BULGARIA

Embassaries Will Be Dispatched to Treat for Release of Miss Stone and Mme. Tsilka.

Sofia, Dec. 9.—According to information received from Salonica, Miss Ellen M. Stone and Madame Tsilka, her companion, are concealed in the vicinity of Kio, about five miles south of Dubinitza, in Bulgarian territory. The news was brought by a Macedonian, who left there on December 1st, and who furnished precise information regarding the hiding places and the names of the agents supplying food for the brigands and their captives.

It is understood the information is regarded as reliable enough to justify the foreign officials of Turkey dispatching emissaries to treat with the bandits, and that application has already been made to the Turkish government for the passage of the emissaries across the Turkish frontier, which is guarded by troops stationed at every hundred yards.

MEMORIAL SERVICES Held in London Synagogue in Memory of Jewish Soldiers Who Died in Africa.

New York, Dec. 9.—According to the London correspondent of the Tribune a service in memory of the Jewish soldiers of the King who have fallen in South Africa was held in the Central synagogue of London on Sunday night. Fully three hundred troops were present, and the mingled uniforms of various regiments formed a brilliant and picturesque scene. Rev. L. Cohen, Jewish chaplain to the forces, who preached the sermon, mentioned that fully 2,000 Jews had fought in the Boer war, and 325 had figured in the casualty list. As he read out the names of those who had fallen, the congregation emphasized the solemnity of the occasion by rising to their feet. The service was brought to a close by singing the National Anthem.

DISCUSSION DELAYED. Member of German Reichstag Intended Bringing Up Mr. Chamberlain's Speech.

Berlin, Dec. 9.—Dr. Haase, the Pan-American leader of the Reichstag, has temporarily failed in his purpose of bringing the Edinburgh speech of the British colonial secretary, Mr. Chamberlain, before the Reichstag, by the sudden and possibly diplomatic illness of Dr. von Thielmann, the secretary of the treasury. It was Dr. Haase's intention to start a discussion on Mr. Chamberlain's remarks during his interpellations to-day on the subject of veterans' pensions.

CRUSHED TO DEATH. Newton, Miss., Dec. 9.—Manager Johnson, of the Postal Telegraph Co., his son and a negro driver were killed under the wheels of a falling tree. They had gone to repair a telegraph line when a tree fell across the road, crushing them to death.

THE SAD DEATH OF MISS BESSIE BLAIR

SYMPATHY WITH THE BEREAVED PARENTS

Many Messages Have Been Received—Telegrams From the Prince of Wales and J. Chamberlain.

Ottawa, Dec. 9.—Hundreds of messages of sympathy from officials all over Canada have been sent to Hon. A. G. Blair and Mrs. Blair. One came from the Prince and Princess of Wales, through the Earl of Minto, another was sent by the Hon. Jas. Chamberlain, secretary of state for the colonies, and one from Lord Strathcona, high commissioner in London for Canada. The message from the Prince was as follows: "H. R. H. the Prince of Wales to the Earl of Minto: The Princess and I are deeply grieved to hear of the shocking death of Miss Blair. Please convey our hearty sympathy to her bereaved parents. (Signed) George."

Mr. Chamberlain's message was as follows: "Let me express my sincerest sympathy with you and with your family in your terrible misfortune. (Signed) Jas. Chamberlain."

Lord Strathcona called: "Greatly grieved at the sad news in the papers, Lady Strathcona and I sincerely sympathize with you and your family. (Signed) Strathcona."

A public meeting has been called by Mayor Davidson to-night to consider the question of recognizing in a public way the bravery of the late H. A. Harper.

Funerals To-Day. The funeral of the late Miss Bessie Blair at 2:30 was very largely attended. Her remains were laid at Beechwood cemetery beside her brother. All the ministers of the crown, Ottawa's leading citizens and many of the people generally were present.

Mr. Harper's remains were removed to Barrie at 4:30, and the funeral service was held in St. Andrew's church. It was also largely attended.

COAL MINES ACT. Deputation to Wait on Acting Minister of Mines With Reference to Enforcement of Amendments.

Nanaimo, Dec. 9.—A deputation consisting of Ralph Smith, M.P., Jas. Bateman, Wm. Toxzier and F. R. Richardson will accompany J. H. Hawthorthwaite, M.P., to Victoria, on Tuesday, for the purpose of conferring with the acting minister of mines as to certain regulations in connection with the bringing into force of the Coal Mines Regulation Act Amendment passed at the last session of the House, and which comes into force on January 15th. These are regulations in connection with the holding of examinations for miners, fire bosses, overmen and shot-lighters, which are left in the hands of the Lieut.-Governor-in-Council to make provision for. The opinion of Mr. Hawthorthwaite being asked, he laid it before the members of the executives of the Miners' Unions last Saturday, with the result that the above committee was appointed. A Rev. W. W. Baer, pastor of Wallace street Methodist church, in a sermon last evening delivered in connection with municipal reform, stated that the police administration in the city was no good. Gambling, he said, flourished in the city, so that visitors from Victoria, Vancouver, Toronto and elsewhere remarked it, and the matter should be investigated. He advocated the curfew bell, and also said that some older than 12 years of age needed looking after by their parents. Liquor was sold illegally also. It is reported here that the attempt to prospect No. 3 slope at Extension yesterday resulted in finding that the fire drill was stopped. The miners anticipate hearing that flooding has been decided upon. The mines at Alexandria have been closed down until further notice. The action is supposed to have been undertaken as a result of the course adopted at the mass meeting on Saturday favoring amalgamation. It is reported a large gang of Chinese are clearing away debris at No. 2 slope, Extension, preparatory to opening.

SNOWSTORMS. Railroad Traffic in Highlands of Scotland Interrupted. London, Dec. 9.—Severe snowstorms have swept over Scotland and many parts of England. King Edward left Sandringham for London this morning in the midst of a blinding snowstorm. Railroad traffic in the Highlands is much interfered with by the storms.

In Texas Also. St. Louis, Mo., Dec. 9.—Telegrams from Texas report that the first real snowstorm of the season travelled all over northern and northwestern Texas yesterday, accompanied by very cold weather. Ranchmen fear heavy losses to live stock in the lower and centre Panhandle section.

NEARLY HALF A MILLION. Rhinelead, Wis., Dec. 9.—The Washaboo screen door plant was entirely destroyed by fire early to-day. Several residences near the plant were burned. The total loss is \$400,000, almost covered by insurance.

SHIP SUBSIDY BILL. Senator Frye's Scheme for Encouraging Building of Ocean Vessels.

Washington, Dec. 9.—Senator Frye today introduced the new ship subsidy bill. It differs in form from the subsidy bill of the past two sessions. To promote the building of new ocean vessels an additional allowance of one-fourth of a cent, per gross ton is made for five years.

Any vessel to receive the general subsidy must carry mails, if required, and must train in seamanship or engineering one American youth for each 1,000 tons the vessel to be at the service of the government if required for defense. Any vessel to receive subsidy must be at least 500 tons, and at least one-fourth of the class must be Americans.

MINISTERS REMOVED. Pro-Japanese Members of the Cabinet Have Been Dismissed.

Tacoma, Wa., Dec. 9.—Advisors from the Orient state that several pro-Japanese members of the Korean ministry were recently removed, chief among them being Major-General Pok, minister of foreign affairs, who was absent in Japan attending the Mikado's army manoeuvres. His undoing was brought about by Li Yangik, leader of the Russian-French party, who pointed out that Pok was espousing Japan's cause so warmly, as was shown by his granting Japan a large ground concession in Manchuria and his withdrawal of the veto on grain exportation at Japan's behest. Minister of Agriculture Kwong was also dismissed as being too pro-Japanese. Pok is to be succeeded as foreign minister by Li, now minister to St. Petersburg.

WALLA WALLA TOOK HER TO TOKYO. The steamship Walla Walla dropped anchor for her tow, the British schooner, picked up in distress at about 6 o'clock last evening. It differed in form from the other vessels of the line. From an officers of the latter was learned that the Nelson, 40 miles southeast of Cape Horn, out 3:30 p. m. on Wednesday. Nelson was flying distress signals, and was informed that the schooner was in tow when seven o'clock struck. The weather was still heavy. A southwest gale was blowing. A heavy sea was sweeping the deck. The schooner was in a most precarious position, and was asked to take her to Seattle. This she could not do, and was asked to take her to Seattle. This she could not do, and was asked to take her to Seattle. This she could not do, and was asked to take her to Seattle.

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As to the damage to the cargo, it was determined by a surveyor, is said to be only three inches of water in the vessel's hold, which would indicate that little of it has suffered. Capt. Perrin, of the Nelson, highly displeased at the action of the master of the tugboat Tatosook, thinks should have stood by him, later, according to a dispatch from Astoria, states that after losing the tugboat and during the storm, the schooner was unable to locate the vessel, but concluded consequently that she had been to the Sound.

A dispatch from Port Townsend says that the schooner had decided to go to Puget Sound, but had not put far when the gale increased in force on Tuesday night at 10 o'clock the schooner was again in distress. The Nelson ferry rocked in heavy seas, and it was feared that the vessel would be wrecked. The schooner's crew, however, was confident that the Walla Walla could be saved. The statement that had the Walla's officers been anxious to put out for the Nelson, it is said, they sharply signalled Otter Point. The schooner was in a most precarious position, and was asked to take her to Seattle. This she could not do, and was asked to take her to Seattle.

AMUR FROM SKAGWAY. There were little news of special interest in the northern budget known the Amur yesterday afternoon steamer came down from Vancouver and had several passengers. Mrs. J. Tracy, W. Morrison, Mrs. R. S. McLeod, J. Nichol, W. James, E. W. Praeger, J. W. McPherson, J. M. Hill, W. E. West, Wilson, — Tilling, — Topping. The Skagway Alaskan says: "Arrest and conviction of W. A. An (a Canadian smuggling liquor, it is believed) in Skagway, who has a position to know that an organization has been unearthed, with headquarters in this city. Just who the members of the gang in the city are, is quite definitely known, but a consultation reached here last night across the line, and is now in the hands of a certain official. Anderson caught red-handed with the liquor, possession to the value of \$300, as previously stated, and fined the liquor had been smuggled into Canadian territory by parties now under suspicion in this city. As soon as Northwest Mounted Police discovered the liquor, each bottle was broken, the contents emptied. From the fact it appears as if the smuggling done here are beset again. Why any man will attempt to smuggle liquor the river is a query. The Mounted Police are on the alert, and stations are numbered hourly, and have to be while en route to Dawson. Possibilities deeper scheme than that imagined on foot. Developments of a few days' residence in Dawson suggest that a Dawson dispatch says that Dow arrived there on the 27th. Koyukuk and report the discovery of several new placer prospects. The Harmond, Mistake, Union, Nola Swift, Whiskey sells for \$10 per bushel. \$26 per sack and all other commodities in proportion. Four hundred pounds of mail Dawson for the outside on the 27th. The White Horse Star confirms the sale of the Grafton and coal mines of that place. Grafton was sold to the Moore Investment Co. of Seattle, a very valuable proposition, for \$30,000, the terms of being \$1,000 cash, \$2,000 in three months and the remainder in two equal payments in six and twelve months. Assays of the ore in the Grafton show it ranging from 13 to 30 per cent. gold, and \$1.50 per ton in gold. No test made for silver, of which metal all

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