

TEXAS FLOOD.

Regular Johnstown Experience
in the Little Town of
Coleman.

FIFTEEN LIVES KNOWN TO BE LOST

Prominent Oregonian Tires of Life
and Suicides by Hanging.

INDIAN UPRISING FEARED.

England Remembers Attack on Wales
Life and Assailant's Acquittal
Boers Coming to U. S.

(From Friday's Daily.)
Coleman, Texas, July 18.—Fifteen lives are known to have been lost in a cloudburst here today. Ten bodies have been recovered, but only two were identified. They were:

Joseph Spath, leading merchant of the village.
John Puleisatine.

It is feared that many more lives were lost in the valley below Coleman. The cloudburst, which followed three days' unprecedented rainfall, caused Pearl's creek to burst its banks and rush through Coleman, a village of less than 1000 inhabitants.

Bewildered citizens, roused from their slumbers, rushed into the streets and were swept away. Many were saved by catching hold of pieces of timber and navigating them into eddies formed by the swift current, where they were drawn ashore.

Spath and Puleisatine managed to mount their horses. They dashed into the water and swam their horses to a house, where four little girls were shouting for help. Each rescued two of the children, whom they took upon their horses. The animals were swept away, however, in a noble effort to stem the swift current, and all were drowned.

Water has flooded the tracks of the Gull, Colorado & Santa Fe railroad for miles around and all traffic is stopped.

Hung Himself.

Hillboro, Or., July 17.—The lifeless body of S. H. Humphreys, a prominent real estate broker of this city, was found this morning hanging by a rope from the limb of a small fir tree. Humphreys was the guardian of Mrs. Amanda Shipley, an insane ward, and also administrator of the estate of the late Judge Humphreys, his father. It is thought that worry over the condition of these estates and other financial troubles caused him to turn to suicide as the speediest solution of the difficulty.

Ulrich Piper, a young man of Farmington, also committed suicide last night by shooting himself through the head with a revolver. He had consumption and was despondent.

Indian Troubles.

Chicago, July 17.—A special to the Record from Westville, I. T., says: The United States commission to the five civilized tribes enrolled 200 Cherokee Indians here today. The full-blood Indians refused to be enrolled upon the final roll and trouble is expected. The leaders are preparing to hold a green corn dance in order to keep the Indians away and prevent enrollment.

England Snubs Belgium.

London, July 17.—An invitation to the postal employees of England to take part in the International Postal congress, soon to meet at Ghent, in Belgium, gave an opening for a broad hint to the Belgians of the disgust which the acquittal of Sipido, the assailant of the Prince of Wales, excited in this country. The reply was the following laconic message:

"Thanks, but we don't want to be murdered."

Boers Are Coming.

Cape Town, July 17.—When the war in South Africa is over, 10,000 Boers, chiefly naturalized citizens of the Transvaal, will emigrate to the United States. Irish-Americans are arranging the preliminaries for this movement. The latest Amichodorp advises state

that President Kruger will refuse to surrender until his supplies are exhausted.

Astor Gives a Concert.

Mr. William Waldorf Astor's recent paragraph in his own paper, the Pall Mall Gazette, saying: "Capt. Sir Berkeley Milne, of the Naval and Military Club, formerly commander of the royal yacht Osborne, and a well known club man, attended a concert at the Astors, without an invitation," is making a great commotion in London society, and threatens to seriously affect Mr. Astor's position therein.

It seems that Capt. Milne was dining at the house of a well known lady who asked him to go with her to Astor's concert. This is daily done in London, and Capt. Milne hesitatingly accepted. On arriving, Mr. Astor, instead of shaking hands with the captain, asked the latter his name. Milne told him, and said that Lady — brought him with her party. Mr. Astor responded that he had not the pleasure of his acquaintance, requested him to leave, and added that he would insert a notice in the newspapers. Capt. Milne retired in confusion, and from the Naval and Military Club the same night sent Mr. Astor a letter of apology, and expressed the hope that he would allow the matter to drop. In spite of this, Mr. Astor, in his paper, the next afternoon, inserted, as cabled to the Associated Press at the time, the following paragraph:

"We are desirous to make known that the presence of Capt. Sir Berkeley Milne, of the Naval and Military Club, Piccadilly, at Mr. Astor's concert last Thursday evening, was uninvited."

Capt. Milne's many influential friends are furious regarding Mr. Astor's conduct. The members of the Naval and Military Club are also indignant at the fact that Mr. Astor dragged in the name of their club. The whole matter, with Capt. Milne's letter, has been placed before the Prince of Wales, and society is awaiting the next move.

Nipping Convicted.

Herman Nipping, accused of stealing three large handfuls of gold and of secretly withholding a rocker cleanup from a lay on Wm. Northrup's bench claim on Bonanza creek, was found guilty last evening by Judge Craig, and will probably receive his sentence this afternoon.

The evidence in the case as heard yesterday was not all against the accused, though the testimony of the witness Thompson seems conclusive in the matter of the theft of the dust, as he says he saw Nipping take the handful of dust from the pan while he was carrying it from the scene of the cleanup to the cabin.

Regarding the other charge, that of withholding the gold after the cleanup, the accused testified in his own behalf that the only reason he had not delivered the gold for weighing and division was that when he had taken the gold to his cabin after cleaning the rocker, something had taken his attention from the matter and he had forgotten all about it for the time, and when he was arrested he did not know what it was for. He had gone back after his preliminary hearing in the police court, and accompanied by Attorney White, had taken the can containing the dust to Mr. Northrup's cabin, where he delivered it to the plaintiff.

A Visiting Officer.

Dr. G. Madore, of the N. W. M. R., with headquarters in Selkirk, arrived in the city yesterday evening, having made the trip down in a small boat, visiting the various police posts along the route. Dr. Madore was here several weeks last spring, being an important witness in the Hill murder case. He will remain here for several days before returning to Selkirk.

The River Falling.

The weather report this morning states that all along the line from Dawson to Bennett it is clear with the mercury at an average of 55 above. The water in the upper lakes and rivers is reported as slightly falling.

Ohio Returns to Nome.

The steamer Ohio, which was quarantined at Egg Island with all her passengers, booked for Nome, has returned to Nome, making the quickest time on record from St. Michael to Seattle. The distance was covered in six days and thirteen hours. She left Seattle on the 16th after being fumigated and is now due to arrive at St. Michael on her second run about the 27th of this month. After leaving Seattle she touched at San Francisco, from which port she sailed to Nome.

The Ohio is owned by the Empire Steamship Co. D. W. Burchard is now general agent of the company, G. D. Fahnestock having resigned.

Base Ball This Evening.

A game of ball will be played this evening on the barracks ground between Townsend & Rose's team and the Monarchs. The game will be called, weather permitting, at 7:15 o'clock.

WAS IT A SNUB?

Commissioner Ogilvie Curtly
Recommends the Citizens'
Committee

TO PERUSE THE LOCAL DAILY PAPERS.

Legal Adviser Clement Knows Not
Whereof He Speaks.

THE ELECTION LAW DEFINED.

Gerrymandering Will Not Be Tolerated—To Aid in Receiving and Entertaining Lord Minto.

A meeting of the citizens' committee was held last night, the meeting being called at the McDonald hotel, but adjourning from there to the office of Attorney Woodworth in the Victoria block. Those present were Chairman MacGregor, Secretary Clark, Messrs. Woodworth, Williams and Proudomme. Later Alex McDonald and Attorney Noel came in.

As it was the sense of the committee that its deliberations will bear the searchlight of public scrutiny at all times, a motion by Woodworth that representatives of the press be invited to attend the meeting carried without a dissenting vote.

The matter of the approaching election being deemed by far the most important question before the meeting, it was given precedence over all others. Secretary Clark read a copy of a communication addressed by him to Commissioner Ogilvie, in which the latter had been requested to furnish the citizens' committee with copies of any and all telegrams or communications he (the commissioner) might have bearing on the subject of the election.

Instead of complying with the very natural request of the secretary, the commissioner in a short, curt note referred the committee to the daily papers, adding that they had published a synopsis of the telegram from Ottawa.

The commissioner's apparent disregard for the rules of common courtesy was the subject of but little audible comment, sneers and disgusted looks, partly of contempt and partly of commiseration, being noticed on the face of each member present.

The matter of the manner in which the election must be called was discussed at length, and the law governing such elections was read and considered. It was stated and conclusively shown that Legal Adviser Clement did not know whereof he spoke when he said the election would be required to be called by the Yukon council. The Yukon council did its part in providing for an election when it passed an election ordinance several months ago. An election is already provided for and the commissioner of the district is now the only member of the council of whom anything further is required, and all that is required of him is to instruct his secretary to appoint a returning officer who will have the matter of the election in charge and it becomes the duty of the commissioner to do his part at once.

A motion passed instructing the secretary to communicate with Commissioner Ogilvie, calling his attention to the election law as found in the statute and to particularly call his attention to that part of the section which says, "It becomes the duty of the commissioner to order an election at once," and to impress upon that official that he will greatly oblige the district by making the date as early as possible.

Mr. Williams gave it as his opinion that an election for two members of the Yukon council having been ordered the ends for which the citizens' committee was organized will have been attained and there will be no further need for the committee to remain in existence. Others expressed the same sentiment, but the consensus of opinion was that the committee had best continue as an organization until the election is provided for in every respect, lest by some chicanery the Yukon council might attempt to gerrymander the

district and ring in a member from the upper end, where, aside from Norman Macaulay and a fisherman on Lebarge, there are no citizens of the 12 months' residence except police and officials.

The matter of Lord Minto's intended visit to the Yukon was next considered, and it was the unanimous opinion of every member present that he should in some appropriate manner be thanked for his efforts in behalf of the Yukon in that he did especially call the attention of the house of parliament to the resolutions of the citizens' committee of Dawson and insisted that immediate attention be given the same. In view of the fact that his excellency is coming to Dawson it is fair to presume that he is desirous of posting himself relative to the country's needs; and to supply him with a knowledge of the desires of the citizens here, Messrs. Woodworth, McMullen and Williams were appointed a committee to prepare a memorial to present to him for his distinguished consideration.

Chairman MacGregor was instructed by the committee to call a public meeting of the people of Dawson next Wednesday night in McDonald hall for the purpose of arranging for the proper reception and entertainment of his excellency.

School Books Arrive.

A large consignment of school books from Ottawa has just been received by Commissioner Ogilvie and there is now no reason why a school should not be organized in Dawson at once. It has been suggested that, until permanent provisions can be made, the Masonic building on Mission street be utilized as a school building and that a school be opened at once in order that the children may benefit by the present fine weather.

As soon as it becomes known for a certainty that Dawson is to be the seat of a modern, non-sectarian school, her permanent population will be materially increased, as there are many men here who will bring their families to this place so soon as they are satisfied of the establishment of a permanent school. As the money for educational purposes has been appropriated and is now available, further delay in the matter of organizing a school is wholly excusable. But there is no doubt but that steps will be taken at once, as everything is now ready to have removed from Dawson the stigma that has heretofore attached to her, namely: That with all of her heavily taxed, licensed vice no thought was taken of the welfare of the unfortunate children within her confines.

Woes of a Fake Pugilist.

Billy Daly, or Dacie, one of the pugs who perpetrated such a raw fake in the roped arena at the Orpheum a few weeks ago, and who, for some alleged crookedness, was later quietly advised to leave Dawson, has not been reclining on flowery beds of ease. He left here in a small boat, taking with him his means of support in the person of a young woman. They landed at Circle City, where, in a fit of rage, Daly exercised what little combative skill he possessed by pounding up the face of the woman. He was arrested, fined \$25, and given 24 hours in which to travel. An up-river steamer chanced along and Daly boarded her, but not being desirous of again returning to Dawson, he stopped off at Eagle to await a down-river steamer. He caught the Cudahy and will not likely ever perpetrate another fake or beat a woman in the Yukon.

POLICE COURT NEWS.

Last Tuesday a gentleman reveling in the euphonious name of Casey made free with a roll of bills, the property of one Graham, and yesterday afternoon, after hearing the evidence of several witnesses, Inspector Rutledge sent the case to the higher court. Casey and Graham were in Sam Bonfield's saloon sitting at the faro table at the time the little difference of opinion arose, and they punctuated their remarks with occasional fistic periods. Then Graham, just to show Casey that he was not broke, produced his bank roll, and according to Gustave Carrick, Casey snatched it from him and tossed it behind him where a mysterious person not yet found, considerably put his foot on it, and afterwards picked it up and soon after retired, taking the roll, said to contain \$80, with him. Casey will have a chance to explain the matter in the territorial court.

Unlike the land of Canaan which was described as flowing with milk and honey, Dawson flows with the slumber brand of hooch. In police court this morning there were present two men, Jacob Whitford and Pat Kirby, who had labored most assiduously in the cultivation of bright red jags. They succeeded beyond their most blissful anticipation and each was found asleep on the sidewalk beneath heaven's broad canopy. They were each fined \$5 and costs.

The remainder of the forenoon was taken up in the hearing of a labor case in which the laymen on 17 below on Bonanza are being sued by a cook for money alleged to be due for services rendered.

Special Power of Attorney forms for sale at the Nugget office.

PEOPLE IN NOME.

What Dawsonites Are Doing in
the Smallpox Ridden
Town.

COAL IS SIXTY-FIVE DOLLARS A TON.

Lindberg and the Companies Took
Everything in Sight.

M'GRAW WOULDN'T QUALIFY.

J. W. Guy and George King Staked a
Valuable Claim on Anvil Creek
for A. E. Snyder.

F. W. Clayton has received a letter from his wife in Nome, which contains some interesting mention of Dawsonites and their doings in the smallpox desolation by the sea.

The letter bears date of July 2, and states that Nome was in quarantine at the time, and intimates that the writer and other unfortunates will probably have to remain there some time.

Passengers who had paid their money for transportation before the quarantine was established, and who failed to get away, are having their money refunded. Jack Mather is spoken of as about to start on an extended trip up the beach with George Livingston.

"The country is all right," says the writer, "but everything has been gobbled up by Lindeberg, the Wild Goose Mining Company, and Chas. Lane & Co."

J. W. Guy and George King are spoken of as having staked No 5 Anvil creek for A. E. Snyder. The ground is said to be very valuable.

Harry Bean is doing well with Bean, Dennis, Stauf and King.

Miss Mosher, Mrs. Heil and Miss Payson have started a restaurant and are doing well.

Billy Caldwell is working his beach claim and is little in evidence about town, but Zilly is on hand and seems happy.

Coal is selling at \$60 to \$65 a ton and lumber at \$100 and \$125 per thousand. Prices of living are about the same as in Dawson.

Mr. and Mrs. Foley are there, Mr. Foley being engaged in the butcher business.

Frank Ames recently paid \$11,000 for a piece of ground 50x165 on Front street, and S. G. Simpson is putting in a railroad to Anvil creek, a distance of four miles.

Ex Gov. McGraw, of Washington, who was appointed gold commissioner, has refused to qualify, and will return to Seattle. The office only pays \$3000 per year, and all above that has to be turned over to the government.

The writer says Nome is a cheap camp, and alludes to the nightly reports of pistol shots as of such common occurrence that no one pays any attention to them, and many have gone to their long rest by that route.

Centennial Celebration.

Consul McCook has received a long letter from the promoters of the St. Louis Centennial celebration, which contains much interesting information concerning what promises to be a monster meeting of the people from all over the world.

The celebration is set for 1903, and \$15,000,000 have already been raised. The affair is supposed to be a centennial celebration of the Louisiana purchase, which was among the first of the historic events marking the legitimate expansion of the United States, and pointing to her manifest destiny.

Change the Brand.

At the earnest request of its patrons on Dominion the Nugget corrects a few statements recently perpetrated by its evening contemporary. The statement was made that M. J. McNeir, of 27 below upper, is taking out 65 buckets daily, when the truth is that he is taking out an average of 500 buckets daily.

Tom O'Shea, who was reported by the News as working on 24 below upper on the same creek, is at Nome and the claim is being worked by M. Connelly.