

TOMORROW "SAUSAGE" DAY

Should Old Sol Shine, Spring Will Be Delayed.

Groundhog Legend Has Many Believers in Rural East—Prayers for Clouds Offered Tonight.

If the sun shines tomorrow the residents of this section of the country will do well to duplicate their orders for wood, for it will mean that the advent of spring will be long delayed.

In other parts of civilized North America a clear 2d of February is sure to throw spring back for six weeks, but here its coming may be delayed from the same cause several months. The legend is that when the first snow comes in the fall of the year the groundhog, a festive animal which is indigenous to the central and eastern portions of the United States and Canada, but which is rare on the Pacific coast and seen in the Gulf states, hides himself to his lair beneath a rock or in the ground and there remains until the second day of the succeeding February, when, with fear and trembling, he emerges from his winter quarters into the heaven given light. If the day is dark, cloudy and wholly devoid of sun light the animal stays out and spring duly begins. If, however, the sun shines on that day, the groundhog sees his shadow, becomes frightened thereat and flees with all haste back into his winter quarters and there remains for a period of six weeks, during which Boreas again musters his frigid forces and exerts his full strength and influence with the result that winter lingers in the lap of spring until the following month is well advanced. In many of the rural agricultural sections of the east firm belief is reposed in the legend of the groundhog and his shadow, and a 2d of February, on which the sun shines is productive of gloom and sadness of heart on the part of the people. Residents of this section, however, have no cause for alarm as we are somewhat shy both on sun and ground hog.

For the benefit of the readers of the Daily Nugget who may be afflicted with "denseness" we will add that tomorrow is called "sausage" day for the reason that sausage is ground hog.

Respecting Registered Mail.
The following letter of inquiry was received by the Daily Nugget last night:

Dawson, Y. T. Jan. 31, 1900.
Editor of Klondike Daily Nugget, Dawson, Y. T.
Dear Sir: Can I find out through your paper why it is that a registered letter, addressed to me, lay in our post office for 31 days, although I had inquired punctually once a week, at the window designated by my initial?

By mere accident I inquired at the registered letter window, and, upon receipt of my mail I ascertained that it had been there for the above mentioned time.

Surely there ought to be a system in vogue here whereby one to whom registered mail is addressed could be notified through the general delivery to call at the registered letter window.

INQUIRER.
Postmaster Hartman, when asked respecting the matter, said:

"We do not notify people, to whom registered mail is addressed by sending them cards through the general delivery asking them to call at the registered letter window. Every once in a while we advertise the registered mail by publication in the local press, and by posting lists in the postoffice.

"I have sent out for cards and when they arrive I shall use them to notify people through the general delivery of registered letters. At present those who have boxes are the only ones who receive such notification. We hold registered mail three months and if uncalled for at the expiration of that time we return it to the sender."

Masquerade at the Forks.
Monday night was the occasion of a grand masquerade ball given by the

Grand Forks Social Club. It proved to be the crowning event in the social history of that enterprising young city, and was attended by the youth and beauty, grace and loveliness of that place. A 12 o'clock the gay-partici pants unmasked and an elegant supper was partaken of, after which the merry dance continued until the near approach of another day.

Those present and en masque were: Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Shea, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. Boggs, Mr. and Mrs. Chine, Mr. and Mrs. Clark, Mr. and Mrs. Birch, Mr. and Mrs. Ferguson, Mr. and Mrs. Curtis, Mr. and Mrs. Kinsey, Misses McMullen, Stansfield, Lamb, Kutz, Croft, Mrs. Primes, Mrs. Ross, Mr. and Mrs. Kavanaugh, Mr. and Mrs. Ruppel, Messrs. Ask, Hickey, Hutcheson, Cribbs, Drs. McLeod, Edwards, Ramsey, Messrs. Hammell, Murphy, Boyle, Bell, Mitchell, Hunter, White, Walling, Raymond, Hustus, Capt. Cartwright, Sergt. Marshall H. B. Keif, Mr. and Mrs. Manning, Messrs. Matheson, Carroll, Walkins, Cobb, Cupe, McDonald, Miss Rustrom, and others.

Club committee: Messrs. Sergt. Marshall, Eul, Hutcheson, McGregor, Ferguson and Boggs.

LOCAL BREVITIES.

Orr & Tukey are doing an immense business on the creeks and their teams are in evidence on all the roads.

Walter Weisky of 117 Gold Run, has recently purchased from the Arctic Machinery Depot a complete saw arbor which he will use in conjunction with a complete thawing plant in developing that property. The Arctic Machinery Depot has proven to be a very successful venture for those concerned and is doing a flourishing business.

Major Perry Returns.

Police Magistrate Perry is back from an extended trip of three days duration, on which he was accompanied by Judge Dugas, over the various creeks.

In conversation with a Daily Nugget representative and in reference to the Clayson party, Major Perry said that every effort is yet being made by the police to discover the bodies and ferret out the mystery of their disappearance; that the search would have been carried on with as much vigilance had no reward been offered. The men arrested as suspects are being closely held at Tagish where they will be kept until the mystery is wholly cleared up.

Weather Report.

The minimum temperature registered at the barracks last night was four degrees below zero.

At noon, the instrument pointed to two degrees below.

Next Sunday night's concert will be the best of the series. A splendid program has been arranged. Tickets at Reid's drug store, opposite the Pavilion.

A Correction.

That ubiquitous individual known as "the intelligent compositor," aided and abetted by his running mate, the intelligent proof reader, made the Whitehorse article in yesterday's issue of this paper say that lots to the value of "\$2" had been sold in the new townsite, when it should have read \$20,000.

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