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SEHLBREDE EXONERATED

Report at Skagway That Grand Jury Failed to Indict U. S. Commissioner Although Nothing Official Is Given Out—Sehlbrede Returns to Face His Accusers.

Skagway, Oct. 21.—It is rumored that the United States grand jury has not yet returned an indictment against United States Commissioner Chas. A. Sehlbrede charged with having collected money in fines than were received in his books and with general charges for the position he fills. Sehlbrede has returned from his two weeks' vacation to face his accusers, and charges against him being presented in his absence. It is claimed that Sehlbrede's friends that the

charges against him were trumped up by a Skagway attorney who has been reprimanded by the U. S. Commissioner very severely on several occasions. Sehlbrede says he had previously intended resigning and will do so as soon as the grand jury completes its investigation of his case. He first heard of the charges against him through reading a copy of the Klondike Nugget at St. Michael while en route from Dawson to Nome. It is rumored that the grand jury has found nothing irregular with any of the local officials.

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VALDES RAILROAD

Exhaustive Examination as to Its Feasibility Has Been Completed.

NO GREAT OBSTACLES ENCOUNTERED

Highest Altitude Has Been Fixed at 1700 Feet

ALL TIMBER IS NECESSARY

Can Be Secured on the Line of the Road—Cost of Road Will Average About \$15,000 Per Mile.

Seattle, Oct. 16, via Skagway, Oct. 22.—Recent advices received here from Valdes state that an exhaustive examination into the route of the proposed railroad has been made and the undertaking does not present nearly as many difficulties as has been supposed would be the case. Engineer Gillete who went over the route for the Burlington line, fixes the highest altitude to be reached at 1,700 feet. Only one bridge will be necessary, on the entire route, and there is plenty of timber available for all purposes. Engineers Gillete and Henry, and Lieut. Abercrombie are agreed that the cost of construction will not exceed \$15,000 per mile. An attempt will be made to enlist San Francisco capital in the enterprise.

CHIEF ISAAC'S TROUBLE

Indian Chief Requests the Nugget to Make "Big Talk" for Himself and His People—Understands the Value of Printer's Ink—Wants People to Patronize Indians.

The Nugget office was honored yesterday afternoon by a call from Chief Isaac, head of the Moosehide Indians, and his uncle Charley, who has recently come up from Fortymile for the purpose of staying over the winter with Isaac. Isaac brought with him a very long hard luck tale, which he asked the Nugget to place in the shape of a "big talk" before the people of Dawson. The Moosehide chief has evidently been reading the big advertisements which Dawson's mercantile houses have recently been inserting in the local dailies. Isaac understands perfectly well the value of printer's ink, and as he wanted his "big talk" spread over the entire community he naturally came to the Nugget office. Isaac possesses some very clear ideas, and he has a vigorous and forceful manner of expressing them. Taken down with as much accuracy and as literally as possible, Isaac's protest against the existing order of things reads as follows:

"Long time ago no Dawson. No gold. Indian own all country. Many Indian then and all fat and big. Hunt all time. Plenty moose, plenty caribou, plenty ptarmigan, plenty beaver. Indians have lots eat and no 'lick. White man come and Indian die. Kill ptarmigan, kill beaver. Indian must starve. Indians no longer strong, no longer fat. Have no money, no grub. 'Want you make big talk to all people. Tell white man Moosehide Indians make mittens, moccasins, caps, arrows. White men buy—they Indians have money for sugar, and tea and flour. White man have nice clothes, keep warm, cold no hurt. Indian no money, no clothes.' And so on for half an hour or more Isaac continued to pour forth the woes of his race into the ears of the sympathetic scribe. The Moosehide chief does not know what to make of the present condition of the Yukon. He hesitated to venture a guess as to when the river will close, but finally fixed it at Nov. 15. As soon as the Klondike is frozen over the Indians will go for a hunt and expect to return about New Year. Isaac thinks that white men should not be allowed to hunt before the first of the year. He said in this connection, that the Indians should be allowed the exclusive right of hunting, from the close of navigation until New Year. When asked to pose while the Nugget artist made a pencil sketch of him, Isaac complied willingly, and raised his right hand as shown in the accompanying portrait, as though he were making a speech at a grand political.

The old Indian Charley is 80 years of age, with long hair completely silver. According to Isaac's story, he is taking care of Charley, as also of three little Indian children whose mother recently died.

LEGAL REDRESS

Sought by Late Arrivals From Chilly Denmark.

In Magistrate Macanlay's court this morning Chas. Fisher was fined \$5 and costs for assaulting Lars Sweennessoon (phonetically spelled) when Lars had gone to Fisher's boarding house to collect money alleged to be due his wife.

A suit brought to collect the money alleged to be due was this morning dismissed, the evidence going to show that the woman was simply stopping with the Fisher's until she could learn the language of the country, she having recently arrived in Dawson direct from Denmark. The Danes above mentioned are the people who were reported in the paper at the time as having shipped a girl from Whitehorse as a stowaway, while the men came down as deckhands, the girl in question being Sweennessoon's wife. The woman's testimony as well as of her principal witness, was taken by means of an interpreter, Mr. Thomas Klog acting in that capacity.

Hot Stuff.

The first masquerade of the season was given in the Exchange last night under the direction of Eddie Cowley and Frank Gardner. Many very pretty costumes were in evidence and the fun was fast and furious until after 8 o'clock this morning.

See Cummings in "Mysterious Mr. Bugle" at New Savoy.

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BALLARD ROBBERY

Five Armed Men Holdup a Saloon in That Busy Little Town.

ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTY DOLLARS

Secured Besides Two Watches and Other Valuables.

A MAN WAS ALSO ROBBED

M. J. Davis Held Up at Point of a Gun and Knocked Down—The Robbers Still at Large.

Ballard, Oct. 16, via Skagway, Oct. 22.—This town was the scene of a combined hold-up and robbery last night. Five armed men held up a liquor store and secured one hundred and fifty dollars besides two watches and other valuables. Later the same men attacked M. J. Davis, knocking him down and robbing him of all the money on his person. The robbers are still at large, although the police are confident they will be captured.

RUSSEL RELEASED.

London, Oct. 16, via Skagway, Oct. 22.—Earl Russel has been released from prison, where he has spent a term of three months upon a charge of bigamy.

BOUND OVER.

Everett, Wash., Oct. 16, via Skagway, Oct. 22.—Henry Ferguson has been bound over for trial to answer a charge of piracy on Puget Sound.

ST. PAUL ARRIVES.

Seattle, Oct. 16, via Skagway, Oct. 22.—Steamer St. Paul arrived from Nome, bringing gold dust to the value of \$1,500,000, and 300 passengers.

GOOD SHAPE FOR WINTER

Dawson Water Company Prepared for Business.

Those connected with the Dawson Water Company still maintain that their plant is this season in better shape for the winter than ever before. During the cold weather but two mains will be kept open, that on Second avenue running from the pumping station north to Sixth st., and that contained in the steam conduit in the alley between Front and Second. The little houses which the company has constructed this year as a protection to the taps are all in position except three, and what disposition will be made of them has not yet been decided upon. All told there are 16 of the houses, 13 of which are in use. Eleven of these are for the use of the public and are scattered along Second avenue, while two have been installed in the barracks ground for the use of the police. The door to the houses will never be locked, but it will require a consumer's key to open the taps. The winter patrol of the houses was begun today. It consists of one man on each shift, whose duty it will be to attend to the fires. A local inventor is at work on a nickel-in-the-slot arrangement which he hopes to have perfected by next spring. This year there was such an affair experimented with, it being placed near Shoff's drug store. It was a success as far as it quired of it, the only objection being that it was slow in operation, and took several minutes to fill a bucket of water, a feature that it is expected will be eliminated in the newer invention.

Send a copy of Goetzman's Souvenir to outside friends. A complete pictorial history of Klondike. For sale at all news stands. Price \$2.50. Price Bowling Contest. From Oct. 21st to Oct. 26th at Monte Carlo bowling alley. Team contest, two men to team. Highest average score for five consecutive games. Prize one box imported cigars.

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LANCASTER TELLS HIS TALE

His Mind Gave Way and He Found Himself After Several Months in a Nevada Lumber Camp—Felt As Though He Was Under Hypnotic Influence.

Denver, Oct. 16, via Skagway, Oct. 22.—Joseph Lancaster, the Dawson merchant who disappeared so mysteriously from Seattle a year ago, has recovered sufficiently to tell a partial story of his wanderings. He says that he felt his mind giving way and started out like a man under a hypnotic spell. His intellect was hazy and a portion of the time since he

disappeared still remains a perfect blank. When he first recovered sufficiently to realize his surroundings he found himself in a Nevada logging camp. He was known by some other name which he does not remember. Finally he drifted to Beaumont, Texas, and in that place he remembered who he was and immediately communicated with his family.

ELDORADO AND BONANZA

What Has Taken Place Within the Past Week.

Jack Raymond of the Summit hotel made a flying trip to town last Saturday. Fred Wondertin took a bad fall last Sunday on Adam's Hill, cutting his left hand very badly in several places. Fred carries the Weekly Sun on Bonanza, Eldorado, Quartz and Sulphur creeks. Work has been indefinitely stopped on 34 and 35 above Bonanza. The owners have not yet decided whether they will work this winter or not. Mrs. C. G. Eckman from No. 28 Eldorado has gone outside on a visit to her old home. Mr. Halstad has nearly completed his new road house on No. 37 Eldorado. Clark and Lowe gave another of their popular dances last Friday night, which was largely attended. Mr. Gilroy, the cook on No. 35 above on Bonanza, is in town. He will go back to resume his duties if they operate the claim this winter. Mr. Ben Eddington, who did the cooking on No. 34 above Bonanza this summer, is in town taking a well earned rest. Mrs. Primus of No. 33 above Bonanza is sending out invitations for her grand re-opening ball, to be given next Thursday night, Oct. 24th. Mr. W. H. Seeborn has purchased from Northrup Bros. a musical instrument called aeliangrand, one of the finest musical instruments manufactured. Mr. Joseph Webb, the genial and pleasant proprietor of the Miner's Friend restaurant at Grand Forks, is a noted composer of poetry. He is now composing a piece which he promises will be ready for publication in a few days. A large number of prospectors stampered last Sunday and Monday for Montana Gulch, tributary of Indian river.

MANY KICKS REGISTERED

Regarding Assessments Will Be Heard Tonight.

Commissioner Ross, Legal Adviser Newlands and Councilman Prudhomme, will sit this evening in the new court house at 8 o'clock as a court of revision for the purpose of hearing the complaints of those who have appealed from the assessment fixed upon their holdings by Assessor E. Ward Smith. Almost 80 cases are to be heard, nearly all of which are brought upon the ground of over assessment. If complaints succeed in showing that their property has been placed at too great a valuation, the amount will be reduced, otherwise it will stand as first entered.

REGARDING INCOMING MAIL

Report Published Yesterday Was Not Correct.

Information was received yesterday and published accordingly in last night's Nugget to the effect that the Emma Knott had passed Five Fingers and would be in this evening with the mail. Today it was learned that the statement made was incorrect. The Emma Knott did not pass Big Salmon until after 8 o'clock this morning. She has two screws in tow, is making slow time and is not expected to arrive in Dawson much before Thursday afternoon.

IRREPRESSIBLE LITTLE ORA

Passed Five Fingers Coming to Dawson Today.

Word was received today that the steamer Ora had passed Five Fingers this morning at 7:30. Should it had luck he encountered she will arrive tomorrow afternoon, a day or two earlier than was expected. It is also learned that the Flora has arrived at Whitehorse, and in view of the present excellent weather she may be dispatched on another trip, providing there is sufficient traffic to warrant it. If she is not, the Ora will undoubtedly be the last to leave Dawson this season.

HER SHAFT, BROKEN

Steamer Cottage City's Mishap a Slight One.

Skagway, Oct. 22.—The steamer Cottage City which was reported several days ago on Queen Charlotte Island in tow of the Dirigo, had one of her shafts broken. On reaching here but a few hours would be required in making repairs.

LOOK HIM AT HORKAN'S.

Mr. Clayton's Standard Library is head-quarters for everybody and everybody. When a man is wanted for any reason from short-hand reporting to banking up a cabin or from working as engine down to biting the tail of a fox terrier pup, he can be found at Horkan's. They all congregated here for the reason that there is food for both mind and body. Next to the ferry tower on Second street, Horkan is the greatest and most exultating place in Dawson.

Ray Southern, the minstrel at New Savoy this week.

A copy of Goetzman's Souvenir in the open air on the outside friends. A complete pictorial history of Klondike. For sale at all news stands. Price \$2.50.

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ENGINEER THIBEDEAU

Reports Progress Made on Miller Creek Trail.

Word was received this morning from Engineer Thibedeau, in charge of the construction of the Miller creek trail, that his party had reached Gold creek, and that only a short distance remained to be crossed and they would be at Miller creek, their journey's end for the present. Much difficulty has been experienced by the roadmakers on account of the lateness of the season and the fall of snow now on the ground, where they are at work. Their labors will be finished within the next week, and those employed may be expected home within ten days at the utmost.

BANK BOYS' NEW CLUB

The Old Banking Room is Being Suitably Furnished.

The old Bank of Commerce building adjoining the gold commissioner's office is undergoing a transformation which when the carpenters, painters their labors will make it, especially the interior, scintillatingly recognizable. All the counters and partitions in the lower floor have been removed, a new floor is being put in, and with the walls gaily refurbished and with artistic decorations the Commerce boys will have a club room they may well feel proud of. A library, billiard table and other essentials are to be added making the quarters as attractive as possible. A house warming will doubtless be given upon the completion of the alterations.

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DOLPHIN AT SKAGWAY

Brings 50 Passengers and 30 Tons Freight.

Skagway, Oct. 22.—The Dolphin arrive at four o'clock this afternoon with 50 passengers and only 30 tons of freight. Greatest array of vaudeville talent ever produced on a Dawson stage at the New Savoy this week.



CHIEF ISAAC.

Various small advertisements and notices on the far left edge of the page, including mentions of 'Carolina', 'DRESSING ACCIDENT', 'Clayton', 'W. Clayton', 'Warning', 'Cook's', 'HOMER', 'SAN FRANCISCO', 'Pumps', 'Heaters', 'Shovels', 'heelbarrows', 'er & Co.', and 'Dawson'.