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IS NOW SERIOUS

Russians Show Treachery to British Forces at Tientsin

AND NOW HAS CHIP ON SHOULDER.

Seattle Negro Editor in Jail on Criminal Charge.

BLUFFING CHIEF OF POLICE.

Another Attempt to Capture Aguinaldo—Nome's Judge on Rack at Washington.

Tientsin, March 23, via Skagway, March 29.—Having reached an agreement, the Russian and British withdrew from the disputed railroad siding but the Russians suddenly returned and planted their country's flag all over the disputed territory and again retired leaving their national emblem behind them. This act on the part of Russia is construed as putting a chip on her shoulder and daring the British to knock it off. The action of the British is anxiously awaited but there is no

doubt but that the flags will be pulled up. The situation is very serious.

Coon Editor in Trouble.

Seattle, March 24, via Skagway, March 29.—H. R. Clayton the negro editor of the Republican, has been arrested on a charge of criminal libel preferred by Chief of Police Meredith. Clayton is held in default of \$500 bond which the police demand shall be put up in cash. As no one is permitted to see him it is considered an extraordinary high-handed proceeding and Chief Meredith is very apt to get into serious trouble over the matter.

Ah There, Aguinaldo!

Manila, March 23, via Skagway, March 29.—An expedition has been dispatched into the interior to capture Aguinaldo.

Ticklish for Noyes.

Washington, March 23, via Skagway, March 29.—The case of Judge Noyes of Nome, has been before the cabinet several times and the members nearly all favor his summary removal. The president and attorney general favor hearing the case in full before rendering a decision.

Attorney General Griggs has resigned his position.

McKeown Coming.

Skagway, March 29 —Ed McKeown who went to the Yukon with Major Walsh, left here yesterday for Dawson.

WHEN WILL ICE MOVE?

Much Speculation as to the Day and Hour.

The fact that there has been but little thawing weather during the past week has caused many who have money bet that the ice will move out of the river in front of Dawson during the first week in May to make efforts to "hedge" their bets. Others assert that they want no better assurance of an early opening of the river than the fact that the weather at present is as chilly as it is. They say that the cold weather will all be spent in a few more days and that when it gets warm it will be very warm, the heavy snow now on the ground will melt rapidly and the great volume of water produced thereby will cause the river ice to be torn from its moorings and carried away much earlier than last year when there was but little snow to melt, consequently but little surface water. It will be remembered that there was considerable warm weather during the month of March of last year and that by April first the snow had all departed except from the northern hillsides, and that shortly after the first of April the weather turned cooler and was quite chilly for two weeks or more; and yet, without the aid of surface water the ice moved from the river in front of Dawson at 4 o'clock on the morning of May 8th.

There are still hopes that money which says the ice will move during the first week in May is not lost, and only the time will say yet copper their bets.

Ira M. Rank has on display a new line of ladies' goods direct from the McDougall, Southwick Co., at Mrs. Anderson's, Second street.

White fish at Denver Market.

KOYUKUK BOOMING

Interesting Down-River News

Received by N. A. T. & T. Co.

Manager Delaney, of the N. A. T. & T. Co., is in receipt of an interesting letter from the agent of his company, Mr. H. R. Montefield, at Fort Yukon. He reports a scarcity of provisions at that point and states that Fort Hamlin a distance of 187 miles down the river has had to be drawn upon to supply several of the necessities of life. Mr. Montefield has received recent news from the Koyukuk which is very flattering for the possibilities of that country as it is evident that good pay has been struck there and the country is in a prosperous condition. Bettles the station at the head of navigation on the Koyukuk river it is thought will grow considerably and be the distributing point for a large district. Chandelier creek, a tributary of that river is thought to be a fine field for prospectors and a boom in that locality is looked for next summer.

MCDONALD SELECTED

To Represent Catholics on School Board.

At the council meeting last evening Mr. Justice Dugas and Mr. Prudhomme, the Catholic members of the council to whom had been left the nomination of the Catholic member of the board of education, proposed the name of Mr. Alex McDonald.

In making the nomination, Mr. Justice Dugas stated that he and Mr. Prudhomme had talked the nomination over and presented the name of Mr. McDonald as a compliment to him for the active interest he has taken in the development of the country, that he is a good Catholic and a capable man. On motion of Mr. Wilson, Mr. McDonald was unanimously elected a member of the board.

The ordinance as passed provides that the membership of the board shall consist of one member of the Yukon council and two additional members to be appointed by the council, one to be a Protestant and one to be a Catholic.

Mr. R. P. McLennan was appointed Protestant member of the board at the meeting a week ago and the appointment of Mr. McDonald last evening completes the membership of the board.

MINER'S LIEN ORDINANCE

Passed First and Second Reading and Referred.

Councilman Wilson's ordinance establishing a miner's lien on claims and dumps was submitted to the council last night by the legal adviser.

The ordinance as drafted provides for a miner's priority of claim over all judgments, executions, assignments, garnishments, or attachments which have been made or issued after such lien arises. The miner is also given priority of claim over all payment or advances made on account of any transfer or mortgage after notice of such lien having been made has been given in writing by the miner to the person making such payment.

The lien does not affect or prejudice the rights of any person having a mortgage or other charge upon the claim or output made and recorded prior to the commencement of the work in respect of which the lien is made.

The ordinance as drafted is long and contains many provisions. In some respects it is said to conflict with the federal statutes and a question has arisen as to whether or not, if passed, it will be held valid.

The ordinance passed its first and second reading last night and will be introduced at the next meeting for final reading and discussion when the legal adviser will be requested to be present to give his opinion on questions in doubt.

Round steak 50c at P. O. Market. Brewitt makes fine pants.

Prof. Parkes' Benefit.

Prof. Parkes, the wondrous man, is to be given a benefit Sunday night at the Savoy theater on which occasion he will display for the first time many original and valuable moving pictures which have been photographed by him. Parkes is a genius in his line of business and the views which he has taken of scenes in the Klondike are the only ones which have been developed successfully, both the Edison and the Stoddard lecture pictures having proven a failure.

The machine which he uses in "grinding in" moving pictures is the smallest ever made and is the only machine which can be carried about by one man. It is remarkable in its construction as the gearing wheels are made from discs cut from a mastodon's tooth, a cigar box being utilized in that part of the machine in which the lens is mounted and the body of the apparatus was made from a cracker box. Next summer Prof. Parkes will leave for the outside where he will display his pictures in the big cities of America and continue on a journey around the world.

It is to be hoped that a big house will witness the entertainment Sunday night.

COMING AND GOING.

Dick Case and Frank Rafael will meet tonight in a 10-round go at the Savoy. The contest will commence at 9:30 p. m. sharp.

Henry W. Brown and wife of Bonanza, Miss E. Kelly, of Circle City, and Floyd S. Wilson, of Dawson, are among the arrivals at the McDonald hotel this morning.

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

STAMPEDING EPIDEMIC

Good Thing for the Country But Looks Silly.

Stampeding has become epidemic in the Klondike and would-be claim owners are liable at any moment to dash off on a 50 or 100 mile run on the strength of an unauthenticated whisper that three cents to the pan was found on the left fork of Lickempinch, but when that stream is reached some old lone prospector is found at work. He has not struck bedrock nor found a color, but, like all prospectors, his belief is firm that he will strike a big thing further down. The result is that Lickempinch is staked from one end to the other and three tiers back. Then the stamper returns to Dawson and the next day it leaks out that a concession on the headwaters of Pushfinger has been thrown open and, without waiting for confirmation of the report, there is another rush and two days later the recorder's window is eagerly sought by locators.

There is nothing leads up to the general development of a country so surely as the indiscriminate stampeding, but to the casual observer who is too lazy to participate in one they look very foolish.

The Mills.

The C. O. stage arrived last night, bringing 27 sacks of mail, 13 of which were for Dawson and five for lower river points.

Five passengers also came in on the stage including J. M. Rowan, Eva Baker, James McCallum, F. C. Schrader and J. McKillup.

This was the best trip of the year, the weather was mild all the way down and the trail except in a few places in good condition and everyone on the stage enjoyed the ride immensely.

We have everything in the line of spring medicines. Cribbs & Rogers, next P. O.

For choice meats go to the Denver Market.

Young veal at Denver Market.

KID WEST IS HERE

Arrived Last Night in Custody of Detective Seeley and Guards.

LOANED TO DOMINION GOVERNMENT

By State of Washington Where He Is a Convict.

WILL TESTIFY IN O'BRIEN CASE

No Stranger to Dawson Jail, Having Done Time for Theft in '99

He Met O'Brien Here.

Heavily shackled and under strong guard "Kid" West arrived in Dawson between 6 and 7 o'clock last night. Detective Seeley for the Dominion government being in charge of the party.

Officers Treadwell and Cudley guarded West on the journey. One of the officers is said to be from the state of Washington, the other a member of the N. W. M. P.

"Kid" West, who is now the property of the state of Washington, being sentenced to serve five years in the penitentiary for theft committed in Seattle, has been borrowed by the Dominion government for the purpose of giving evidence in the case of Geo. O'Brien, who, since early in January of last year has been in custody, first on suspicion and later on the charge of having committed the triple murder at Minto on Christmas day of '99, when, after being repeatedly shot, the bodies of Fred H. Clayton, Lynn Reile and Lineman Olson were presumably robbed and consigned through an open place in the ice to the waters of the Yukon which yielded up its dead the following June.

This is not West's first visit to Dawson, neither is it the first time the strong door of the Dawson jail has been closed and locked behind him, he having served a term of several months here in the former part of the year '99 for theft, O'Brien being a convict at the same time and on a similar charge. Whether or not the two men met there for the first time is not known, but it has since been said that while fellow sufferers in the expiation of crime they concocted a plan for conducting a "road agency" on the river trail the following winter. On his release from jail sometime during the summer of '99 West left Dawson, going out, it is said, by way of the lower river, his alleged arrangement with O'Brien being to meet the latter either in Dawson or up the river after the close of navigation. It is further said that West did not arrive on schedule time and that O'Brien, feeling that the time for hay making had arrived, took the road himself and, many believe with a partner who was killed in the fight on Christmas day or wounded and was later killed by O'Brien to escape the detection that would have surely followed his caring for a wounded partner on the trail. While this was being enacted "Kid" West was in Skagway awaiting news from O'Brien which he later received, the nature of the news

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