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FRIENDS ARE CONCERNED

Over Whereabouts of L. L. Stevens

Left Over a Week Ago on Berry-ing Trip and Has Not Since Returned.

The treacherous waters of the Klondike river may have claimed another victim in L. L. Stevens, who left a week ago last Saturday on a berrying excursion, stating that he would return on Wednesday. Nothing has been heard from him, and his friends are deeply concerned as to his safety, although he is not as yet given up for lost.

The circumstances surrounding his failure to return have a decidedly suspicious aspect, and it will be seen that there is some ground for worry. He returned about 3 weeks ago from a similar excursion, coming down on a raft of logs and was wrecked at some point between the Cliff house and the Ogilvie bridge. He is said to be a powerful swimmer and of a rather venturesome disposition. He was swept off the raft by the overhanging boughs and managed to save his blankets and coat but lost his vest with his watch and about 200 pounds of berries he was bringing to Dawson for sale. He told of this circumstance to his friends, Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Leake, who reside near the Ogilvie bridge and with whom he stopped on his way up and took dinner. He said he has checked his blankets and was going up to get them and incidentally would bring back some berries.

He left Dawson in a boat belonging to Lee Pate and pulled up as far as Pate's place where he turned the boat over to its owner who was in need of it. He then walked up above the old upper ferry where he got another boat and proceeded on his journey. He was last seen as far as can be learned at present by Joe Towner above the upper ferry. Stevens told Towner that he was going to get a boat and go after his blankets. He was carrying then two 10-quart buckets.

When he failed to return by Saturday 3 days after his appointed time his friends began a search. A report was brought in last Friday by a man coming from up the Klondike that a man had been swept off a raft and drowned, but this statement was never confirmed.

A boat turned upside down and with the oars broken has been found near the same place where he was wrecked on his previous trip. Whether or not this boat is the one in which he went up in is not known, as the party from whom he borrowed the boat has not been located. A search has been instituted and the authorities have taken the matter up and an investigation is being made.

Mr. Stevens is a dark complexioned man about 25 years of age, medium height and rather heavy set. He has quite a large acquaintance and is spoken of as being a sober, industrious, honest man, and one who always keeps his appointments. The fact that he has always been so prompt in keeping his appointments and is now so long overdue is in the eyes of his friends a most suspicious circumstance. He had an appointment in Dawson yesterday with a man named Lee. Mr. Lee went to the appointed place but Mr. Stevens did not appear. All of these circumstances give his friends considerable anxiety, although as stated he had not been given up as lost yet.

A full line of dresses furs and fur garments, just received.—D. C. McKenzie, Second avenue, near King street.

Just arrived—newest Felt Hats, Wrappers, Waists, Skirts, etc. LUEDERS.

ALLEGED MURDERER MAKES STATEMENT. A Garbled Report of Which Appeared in This Morning's Sun --Attorneys for LaBelle Hostile and Take the Matter Into Court.

The Fournier-La Belle murder cases, wherein the pair is charged with having taken the lives of three French Canadians this summer while en route to Dawson, has assumed quite a different phase during the past twenty-four hours if common rumor is true. Yesterday afternoon a representative of the Nugget was present at the barracks while an in-

vestigation was being held in the private apartments of Captain Routledge, officer commanding "B" division, and though informed of what had taken place it was likewise intimated to him that such was not for publication until permission had been given by the proper authority. The Nugget was the only newspaper which was aware of the proceedings

and even the mere fact of the investigation was not intended to have been given publicity. Before the statements made by Fournier were two hours old an alleged substance of the investigation was given to the sensation editor of the Sun. But the matter of the violation of secrecy imposed has not yet ended. J. Langlois Bell and A. Noel

were this morning before the appellate court sitting en banc with copies of the Sun which they presented to their lordships calling attention to the objectionable article. The matter will be investigated by the court. So far as the actual facts in the case are concerned it may be said that La Belle has made a statement

which in due course of time will be introduced in evidence when the trial occurs. The statement was made yesterday afternoon in the presence of Capt. Routledge, Captain Wroughton, Sgt. Smith, Detective Welch, Alex. McFarlane (Fournier's counsel), and H. G. Blankman, police court stenographer.

The case is still in its incipency and no facts bearing upon the innocence or guilt of the accused are supposed to be given publication until they appear in evidence before the proper court. Before buying your winter furs, sealskins, etc., see D. C. McKenzie, Second avenue, near King street.

TREADGOLD WINS SUIT

Concerns the Dumping Place of Tailings

Plaintiff is Owner of Fraction 81A Below Discovery on Bonanza.

Gold Commissioner Senkler this morning rendered a decision in which A. N. C. Treadgold, the famous concessionaire, won a suit against C. L. Fletcher and A. Baker, the action having reference to the dumping of tailings by the latter on a claim owned by Treadgold. The judgment is as follows:

The plaintiff is the owner of creek claim No. 81 below discovery on Bonanza creek. The defendants are the owners of claim No. 1 on a tributary of Bonanza on the left limit of claim No. 81 above mentioned. The plaintiff brings this action asking for an injunction to restrain the defendants depositing tailings on his claim.

"When the mining inspector acts under section 48 of the placer mining regulations, he should do so in the presence of both parties, and take whatever evidence they desire to bring before him. If, as urged by the defendants, he gave them leave to dump tailings on this ground, without giving the plaintiff an opportunity of being heard, his grant would be of no effect. The law on this point is clearly set out in the judgment of Mr. Justice Craig in the case of Peterson v. Loudon.

"After making a personal examination of the ground, I am of opinion that very little damage has as yet been done to the plaintiff's claim; but after hearing the evidence and giving the matter consideration, I consider that in no case should the mining inspector exercise his powers under section 48 of the regulations, unless the applicants for dumping ground can show clearly that it will not in any way increase the expense of the claim owner on whose property the dumping is to take place, in gaining from his claim the gold that it contains. Although very little work has been done on the plaintiff's claim, I am by no means satisfied that he will not suffer by tailings being deposited on the surface of his claim toward the left limit, as the evidence of the value of the ground in question is not conclusive on that point. The rights given a placer miner under his grant must be guarded with jealousy, and I am of opinion that granting the defendants the privilege of dumping on this ground would be an abuse of the powers given under section 48 of the regulations, and deprive the creek claim owner of rights he holds under his grant. The defendant should be restrained from dumping on the plaintiff's claim and I think this is a case where I should not make any order as to costs."



THE VICTIMS OF THE LATEST YUKON TRAGEDY AND THE MEN ACCUSED OF THE DEED.

The Ladue Quartz Mill IS NOW IN OPERATION. We have made a large number of tests and are ready to make others. We have the best plant money will buy and guarantee all our work in this mill and also in the Assay Office.

SPORT AT THE FORKS Hard Fought Match is Won by Hector. Clever Wrestling Match Witnessed by Large Crowd—News of the Creeks. A very large crowd gathered at the Dewey last night to witness the wrestling match between Swanson and Hector. The hall was packed. At 9:20 Swanson entered the ring with his second, Gen. Gray. About two minutes later Hector entered, accompanied by Mr. Donohue, his second. Mr. Devine acted as referee. Before the match started Mr. Devine stated that Hector agreed to throw Swanson three times in one hour or give him the match. At this Mr. Faulkner yelled out that he would bet \$40 on Swanson which was quickly covered by Mr. Pete Morrison. Mr. Peters acted as official time keeper and each of the contestants also had a timekeeper. Round 1—Both men enter the ring. Hector appears to weigh about 50 pounds more than Swanson. Though Swanson is small many cheers were given him for the light places he gets away from. After 11 minutes wrestling Faulkner again yells out that he will bet \$15 on Swanson, quickly taken up by Mr. Morrison. Swanson works hard on the defen-

sive. Referee finally calls down Hector wins. Time 32 minutes 48 seconds. During the first round Mr. Stove bets \$10 on Swanson which is also quickly taken by Mr. Morrison. Round 2—Hector goes at his opponent more determinedly. Betting light only one or two small bets being made. Swanson's wind seems to be giving out although he is the favorite. Hector gets fall. Time 7 minutes 30 seconds. Round 3—Hector handles Swanson very roughly and after about 4 minutes gets Swanson down and by the arm has him in a position where he cannot move. Swanson tells him to let loose and Hector claims the match. Swanson finally gives in and the referee gives Hector the match. Time about 6 minutes. After the match Hector stated to the crowd that it may seem to them unfair to claim the match on that hold but that he had friends betting on him and he could not throw them down; that he had Swanson in a position where he could easily break his arm and if he could not throw him three times in one hour he felt it was his duty to his friends to win the match in that way, that if Swanson did not give him the match he could easily break his arm and then throw him. Hector also stated that Swanson was as good a wrestler for his size as he ever met. Those who attended certainly got their money's worth for it was exciting from beginning to end. Cockney Joe, who does the big restaurant business of Grand Forks was in town today. A. J. Maiden of 30 above Bonanza has just returned from Trail creek, where he has been prospecting some of his properties. A. T. Cosslett of 36 above Bonanza sold his roadhouse to O'Leary & Grant who are making a number of

improvements in the way of a new addition to the house and a large barn. Hedley Rogers fell from a car track on Adams Hill to a rock pile 25 feet below. The result was a broken arm and collar bone. Mr. Rodgers is staying with the boys at the camp and getting along fine. Mrs. McNamee, who has been confined to her room with tonsillitis for the past ten days, is again able to be about. Mr. Isaac Burpee, who is well and favorably known in the Klondike, will leave in a few days with a stock of goods for the Stewart river and will remain for the winter. Mr. Walter Woodburn is interested in the enterprise. The miners of Victoria gulch and pup made up a purse for an old man who was unable to work and had no prospects for the future. It took Messrs. Fisher, Carlyon and Martin just two hours to collect \$180 for the old man who was overjoyed at the prospect of being able to get back to his old home in the States. When a really worthy object comes before the boys on the creeks, the

liberal hand of the miner is always there. Another of those social dances for which Grand Forks is becoming noted was given at the social hall last Friday evening by Messrs. A. Johnson, Wm. Coutts and Clarence Kinsey. The music was furnished by the Dewey Band and the lunch by Fred Tiemeyer. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Gear, Murphy, Kinsey, Kline, McKay, Merman, Leak and Tiemeyer, Mesdames Devig and McIntosh, Misses Kearney, Sherlock, Matheson, Coutts, Anderson, Gartely and Galloway, Messrs. C. Kinsey, A. Johnson, Flannigan, McDonald, Craden, Acheson, Coutts, Schrader, Bostrom, E. Johnson, La Fortune, Archer, Hammel, Morgan, Gartely, Brewis, Havery, Ballinger, Woodburn, Vincent and Dalgleish. Stopped by a Storm. El Paso, Tex., Sept. 6.—A cloudburst here this afternoon delayed street car traffic absolutely for an hour. Water ran in the streets a foot deep in many places. The fiercest hail storm ever known in the border accompanied the rain. Hail was piled two inches in depth in many places. The rain and hail were accompanied by a sand storm. The velocity of the wind being forty-eight miles an hour. New Fashion Plate Band Patterns. J. P. McLennan, the First avenue dry goods merchant, has just received a consignment of October fashion plates and patterns which are now on exhibition. The ladies are requested to call and see the beautiful designs offered for the coming month. Any fur or sealskin garment desired made to order; satisfaction guaranteed.—D. C. McKenzie, Second avenue, near King street. At Auditorium—The Plunger.

WATER FRONT NOTES. The Victorian is due to arrive at 6.30 and leaves tomorrow afternoon at 2 o'clock. The steamer Mary Graf is due to arrive this afternoon. The La France is due to arrive tomorrow, and will leave tomorrow night at 8 o'clock for Duncan Landing and Stewart river points. The Wilbur Crimmins sails tomorrow evening for Whitehorse at 8 o'clock. WANTED—Firstclass woman cook. No other need appl.—M'caulay Bros store. Before buying your winter furs, sealskins, etc., see D. C. McKenzie, Second avenue, near King street.

Bodies of the Fairs. New York, Sept. 6.—The steamer St. Louis, which arrived tonight from Southampton and Cherbourg, has on board the bodies of Mr. and Mrs. Fair, who were killed while automobiling in Paris. The bodies are in hermetically sealed coffins and they are in a mortuary chapel made expressly for them. The chapel is richly decorated with flowers and draped with black. No one accompanied the remains. The caskets were consigned to Herman Oelrichs. The St. Louis remained at quarantine and will go to her pier tomorrow morning.

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