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KLONDIKE NUGGET.



AMUSEMENTS THIS WEEK.

Auditorium—"Uncle Tom's Cabin." Orpheum—Burlesque and Vaudeville.

AN ATHLETIC FIELD.

Dawson needs a public athletic park and needs it very badly. Under present conditions there is practically no place aside from the public thoroughfares where sports may be enjoyed.

Athletes there are in plenty, and well trained at that, but there is no field in which they may practice or where spectators may be accommodated.

The lack of grounds for the purpose named is emphasized by the near approach of Victoria day, for which occasion an elaborate program of athletic events is being arranged.

It will be necessary to make use of first avenue for most of the sports and others requiring a wider field for play will take place at the barracks.

Such an arrangement, although made necessary by existing circumstances, is far from satisfactory. It would appear that a field of sufficient area might be secured in which all sports could be held and thus relieve the public from the necessity of travelling back and forth from one end of town to the other on such occasions.

There are enough baseball, football and cricket enthusiasts and devotees of other athletic sports in Dawson to warrant the expenditure of a considerable sum in laying out and otherwise equipping a field.

There will be no reason for such sports during the entire summer and well into the fall, and there seems to be no substantial reason to fear that an investment for the purpose mentioned would not prove remunerative.

Before the committees now engaged in arranging for the celebration of Victoria day disband, we should like to have the matter discussed by them, and some plan suggested for supplying a need which every athlete in the city feels has been long required.

A movement was inaugurated last evening for the formation of a local branch of the Young Men's Christian Association. Dawson presents a wide field for the efforts of such an organization, and it is to be hoped that every encouragement will be given in forwarding and promoting the work. Probably no other community could be mentioned wherein there may be found a larger percentage of young men without immediate family associations. Dawson is largely made up of this class, and among them there are golden opportunities for Y. M. C. A. work. Proper environment and wholesome amusement are needed to offset the temptations that of necessity exist

in a mining centre, and if the Y. M. C. A. is able to furnish these it will accomplish something worth all the time and effort expended.

Our telegraphic columns today contain the announcement that another rate war has been precipitated among the steamship companies plying between Puget Sound and Lynn canal. Tickets have sold as low as five dollars, and the fight has only begun. There is just a possibility that the contest may extend to the Yukon river traffic, in which case it will become doubly interesting. The giants of commerce and transportation are evidently out for each other's scalps—a condition which always works to the benefit of the public. Therefore the public may view the situation with equanimity.

Volcanic eruptions seem to be epidemic. The Martinique horror has been followed by similar disasters elsewhere and apparently the end is not yet. It is barely possible that some sympathetic action is responsible for the succession of eruptions that has occurred. Or perhaps the rule which common superstition applies to suicides, is applicable also to volcanoes. In any event the situation does not afford material for much soothing reflection. When 40,000 people are swept out of existence within five minutes the fact is borne forcibly upon the mind that humanity, after all, is extremely small potatoes.

Lost by a Toy Balloon.

Diamonds and other jewels have been lost in all sorts of queer ways, but in none more unusual than the accident mentioned in the Boston Transcript, by which a diamond brooch was snatched from the owner's dress and left somewhere on the great plains.

A young woman was travelling by rail through Kansas. At Kinsley, where the train made a considerable stop, a fair was in progress. Here the young woman bought of a pedler a toy balloon for a little girl who had won her fancy.

The child was delighted with the plaything, and as they rode along she chatted with her new friend and pulled the balloon up and down. At length she playfully fastened the string to the lady's diamond brooch.

The train was rounding a curve at the moment, and a strong gust of air came through the car. The balloon was carried out through the open window. The sudden jerk on the string loosened the brooch, and away it sailed.

The jewel was so valuable that the young woman offered a reward of five hundred dollars for its recovery. Spurred by this incentive, cowboys scoured the plains for days in all directions, but without success.

Blundering Duke.

The Grand Duke of Saxe-Weimar, says the New York Times, has a reputation in Germany for "bulls' worth of an Irishman.

On one occasion his kind heart took pity on a murderer sentenced for life, so he remitted the "last three years" of the sentence.

Once while visiting a public school he noticed two boys of striking similarity in appearance.

"Why, what a remarkable likeness!" he exclaimed. "Those lads must be twins, are they not?"

"Yes, your royal highness," replied the principal, and he beckoned the two frightened youngsters to him.

"Ah, my son," said the prince, laying his hand on the head of one of them, "what is your name?"

"Helrich."

"And how old are you?"

"Six."

"And you?" he said, turning to the other boy.

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PROBABLY CONTESTED

Notice Served on Milne Stampeders

Grants Will be Issued Tomorrow to All Who Staked May First.

A new phase has developed in the stampede to the Milne concession which would indicate that the concessionaire has by no means relinquished his claims to the ground the grant for which was recently cancelled. Some days ago it was rumoured about town that Dr. Milne intended suing out a writ of injunction restraining the gold commissioner from issuing the grants to claims staked within the tract he considers his own, but nothing ever came of it and the threat was thought to be more in the nature of a bluff and was not taken seriously. Yesterday Messrs. Smith & Macrae received telegraphic instructions from Dr. Milne which led to the taking of the steps that were begun today. Tomorrow the issuance of grants to such claims as were staked on May 1 will begin and the counsel for the concessionaire are notifying each applicant that they are accepting such grant subject to the rights claimed by Dr. Milne. A. B. Guptill, who is connected with Smith & Macrae, has been in the gold commissioner's office all day and anyone appearing at the relocation wicket if it can be learned he or she has staked on the Milne tract—they are served with the following notice:

Dawson, Y. T., May 13, 1902.

Dear Sir or Madam,—

It is understood that you are applying for a grant for a placer mining claim upon a portion of what is known as the Milne concession recently thrown open for staking by a notice of the gold commissioner. We therefore beg to notify you that Dr. Milne, the lessee under a lease from the crown dated August 13, 1901, proposes to take action in the proper court to avoid the cancellation of his lease and that accordingly if you accept a grant it will be subject to such rights as Dr. Milne may eventually establish.

SMITH & MACRAE, Solicitors for Lessee.

The foregoing is regarded more as a formal notice intended to preserve any rights Dr. Milne may consider he has and will not in the least interfere with the issuing of the grants. All told there have been 230 applications taken for claims in the Milne concession, a number having been received on Monday subsequent to the publication of the article in the Nugget of that date which gave the number as 195. On Henry gulch there are 57, the greatest number on any one claim being on the upper half of No. 6, which has 13. Unless protests are brought the precedent established by the court of appeals when two or more have staked simultaneously will be carried out, the grant issued showing each staker to possess an undivided fraction of the claim according to the number who have staked it. Another matter which will be of interest to the stampeders is the fact that a rebate of all excess money paid in on applications over and above \$15 for each claim will be allowed. In what manner the one fee will be selected from several is not known, but it is assumed that the applicants in the event of no one filing a protest will arrange it among themselves, each one contributing his pro rata of the recording fee.

In reference to the steps Dr. Milne proposes to take, Messrs. Smith & Macrae, his solicitors, were seen and gave out the following:

"We were retained by wire by Dr. Milne and until we hear from him by mail it will be impossible for us to say just what course we shall pursue. The notices we are serving today are more for the purpose of preserving any rights our client may have. He intended at first to apply for a writ of injunction but found upon searching that many of the original documents it would be necessary for us to have were not here, being in the possession of Dr. Milne at Victoria. As has been stated we do not know and will not know as to future plans until we receive full and complete instructions by mail. One of our contentions is, however, that Dr. Milne has not violated the terms of his lease as to the working of the ground. Our year is not up until

next August. Dr. Milne came inside last fall with a quantity of machinery for his concession, but the condition of the trail was such that it was impossible to get it on the ground. If suit is brought, as it doubtless will be, the Dominion of Canada will be the defendant in the action, as the right of the government to cancel our lease is the question that will have to be decided. Such being the case the action will of course be taken in the exchequer court and may be heard either at Vancouver, Victoria or Ottawa."

The Making of Pearls.

Pearls are the product of decay. A French naturalist says, in Cosmos, that the free pearls found in the common pearl-bearing mollusk are little towns surrounding the bodies of the marine worms known as distomes during a particular stage of their life.

In the month of August certain mollusks are found having numerous small reddish-yellow points in the spot where pearls usually form. Then begins the imprisonment of the creature. In the beginning the surface of the distome is sprinkled with tiny grains of carbonate of lime. These granulations grow and take the form of crystals which group and interlace in different patterns, and end by forming a calcareous deposit around the creature's body, which can still be distinguished by its yellow tint.

The calcareous deposit takes on a polish and luster, and at this moment the nucleus of the young pearl is seen only as a little black point, which soon disappears. The pearl has now a beautiful luster, and it keeps on growing in contact with the membranous pouch surrounding the calcareous cyst.

The distome remains there until the following summer. At the beginning of the season the pearl loses its polish, decays and falls to pieces. There may remain only a gelatinous mass, and these are known as gelatinous pearls. The parasite then resumes its active life, reproduces its kind, and the young distomes become in their turn encysted, forming new pearls.

There are pearls that escape their physiological fate and may grow to larger size because their distomes are dead, killed by another parasite, or because they are sterile. So the most beautiful pearl is nothing but the brilliant tomb of a worm.

A Real Help.

The Woman's Aid Society in New York has done great work in helping the poor. Like all charitable organizations, it has to contend with ingratitude, stupidity and wilful ingratitude. The Commercial Advertiser relates one instance that is amusing to read of, but must have been a trifle discouraging to the society.

To a poor woman whose husband was in jail they gave some clothing and ten dollars in money, thinking that she would know best what she wanted, and so spend the money more wisely than they. A week after the gift, had been made a deputation of members called at the squalid home to see the

suits of their assistance. They found no improvement in the condition of the family. "Well, Mrs. Nolan," asked one of them, "how are you getting along?" "Fine," said Mrs. Nolan. "Did the clothes fit, and did you find a use for the money?" "Sure, the clothes fitted fine, and the childer looked so nice I had all their pictures took wid the money ye gave me, an' I'm goin' to have me own took this week to send to the old folks in Ireland."

Dissolution of Partnership.

Notice is hereby given that the partnership heretofore existing between William M. Cribbs and Henry Edgerton Rogers, druggists, Dawson, was dissolved on 4th of February, 1902. W. M. Cribbs will pay all outstanding debts of the firm and all accounts due the firm to be paid to him at his place of business, next the post office.

CRIBBS & ROGERS.

Strike is Imminent

Special to the Daily Nugget. Pittsburg, May 14.—A definite conclusion will be reached today at the convention of United Mine Workers of America whether the temporary strike in the anthracite coal regions inaugurated Monday for higher wages or shorter hours be made permanent or whether the men shall await a more opportune time. Every indication is that the delegates will decide for a strike.

Time is Propitious.

A gentleman was heard to suggest this morning that as the river is open the present is a most propitious time for a wholesale slaughter of many and semi-hairless dogs of which there are a great many in Dawson.

The suggestion is one that commends itself to all sensible people.

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