

### CHRISTMAS IN THE AIR

#### Preparations Are Being Made on the Creeks

#### Joyful Occasion Will be Generally Celebrated—Sad Case on Bonanza.

Mr. J. D. Hartman of King Solomon Hill is in town today.

Mr. McKay of No. 34 below Bonanza came to town yesterday. He is going to the Fortymile country.

Mrs. Primus of No. 33 above Bonanza visited her sister Miss Jennie Parry at Magnet last Sunday.

Mr. Thompson of No. 43 above Bonanza is in town today. Mrs. Thompson is on her way in from the outside.

Mrs. Warren of No. 43 above Bonanza is visiting in town for a few days.

Thos. Ward has accepted a position with Mr. Collins of No. 26 above Bonanza for the winter.

Last Saturday afternoon the cookhouse on No. 3 Gay Gulch belonging to Mr. H. D. Cole was totally destroyed by fire. Only last week Mr. Cole put in a winter's supply of goods and everything was lost. The loss is very heavy.

Dan Gleason of No. 18 below Bonanza is thinking of starting a laundry. The way he washes clothes is certainly a wonder to himself and his partners.

Marting Lund of No. 26 above Bonanza made a flying trip to town last Thursday to buy an Xmas outfit. Xmas will be celebrated in the right kind of style on No. 26.

Those who will be fortunate enough to spend Xmas with Geo. Pilz of No. 47 Eldorado will no doubt have a swell time, as George has already ordered a half sleighload of cooking utensils and provisions for that day.

Mrs. Davis of No. 30 below Bonanza has begun making preparations for the third annual ball to be given at the Elhyan New Year's eve.

A surprise party was given Mr. Coffee on Fox Gulch last Friday night. Great credit is due Mrs. Gilbert for the way everything was planned and carried out. A very nice lunch was served by Mrs. Gilbert. Lots of merriment was caused by one of the cakes which was nicely

frosted and lettered, "Ha! Ha! in a Minute." Mr. Coffee was greatly delighted over this cake, which he cut himself and passed around, being very particular that each one received a piece. It was one of the most enjoyable affairs of the season and will be remembered for a long time to come by those who were fortunate enough to be there.

This being the Merry Christmas time, we must also remember that many homes right in our midst will be sad and desolate in the extreme. Among the homes which will be saddened this Christmas is that of Mrs. R. R. Brown of No. 90 below on Bonanza, whose husband was stricken with paralysis the 24th of last month. Mr. Brown came to the Yukon in 1898 with his wife and two children. He has, like many others, made plenty of money, and not being satisfied invested in mines and lost. He was a hard working, industrious, honest man; strong, hardy and healthy and full of ambition until the fatal stroke came and today Mr. Brown is lying in the Good Samaritan hospital unable to speak, unable to tell his wants and wishes, while his wife and little girl Ruth, aged 7 years, are in their lonely cabin unable to do anything for their loving husband and father. Mr. Brown was an old resident of Seattle and his many friends will be sorry to hear of the misfortune that has befallen him.

### GRIMESBY SENTENCED

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for that of bearskin was identified, likewise the entry in the book of his customer's probable weight, guessing it at 185 pounds.

George E. Nichols has seen the accused but does not know him personally. He was in the second hand store at the time the accused came in and made the deal with the coat. Identified the bear coat positively as he later had examined it with a view of purchasing it. He also identified the prisoner as being the man who had made the trade with the clerk of the second hand dealer and said the seal coat was similar to the one the prisoner had traded for. He saw the entry and signature made in the book and the accused given the \$5 which consummated the trade.

Charles Stewart is a bartender in the Nugget saloon. In November the prisoner came to him and asked permission to leave a coat with him which was done. The coat was rolled up in a piece of canvas and the witness paid no attention to its contents. Prisoner had told the witness that a man would call for it, but no one ever came and the package remained where it was first placed until picked up by the police a few days

ago. Does not remember the name of the accused said would call for the coat.

Constable McMillan told of Walker coming to the town station on Friday last and complaining of the loss of the coat. He had gone with him to the second hand store where the coat had been found. Then they went to the shop of Porter who informed them that Grimesby was the only man who had been seen in the vicinity of the rear of his shop. A description of the man wanted was given and he was soon located and taken to the town station for investigation.

Sergeant Smith related the circumstances of Grimesby's visit to the town station in company with Constable McMillan. The prisoner was questioned closely and Detective Welsh had asked him to write his own name and then that of W. S. Allen. A comparison of the signatures with that in Hamilton's book showed them to be identical. The prisoner was afterwards placed under arrest.

Grimesby made no defence beyond stating that if his witnesses were at hand he could prove that he was not in town at the time the alleged theft was said to have been committed.

His honor immediately stated that there was no doubt in his mind of the prisoner's guilt, it having been proven so conclusively. There were too many petty thefts being committed at the present time and it must be put a stop to. A sentence of six months at hard labor was imposed.

Grimesby in the other case wanted a preliminary hearing and a jury trial in case the case was sent up to the higher court, but his honor decided to proceed with it summarily.

Two witnesses in the second case were examined, the man who owned the rifle and him to whom it was sold, when Grimesby seeing such a strong case against him asked permission to withdraw this plea of not guilty and enter a plea of guilty. Such was done and a further sentence of six months was imposed, the two sentences to run concurrently.

### "FAKE" ADDS

Smith never takes his ads—don't advertise bankrupt stocks, goods that "must be sold," etc. Here are facts. Smith wants to break the record on Xmas sales tomorrow and will not miss a sale on account of price especially on large toys like Tool Chests, Velocipedes, Wagons, Tricycles, large Games, Pianos, Dolls' Furniture, etc. See SMITH before you buy. King street, Portland building.

Best hot drinks in town—The Slideboard.

### THE WHITE SQUADRON

Holiday week was opened last evening by the Bitner company at the Auditorium in a grand production of the "White Squadron." The bitter cold weather prevented a large crowd from attending but the play was a great success from every other standpoint.

As the weather has greatly moderated today a far better house is assured for tonight and the balance of the week.

The cast of characters and synopsis of the play are as follows:

Victor Staunton, commanding U. S. S. Oregon  
 Mr. Readick, Demetrio De Romacio, Gen. in Brazilian army  
 Mr. Hooley, Francisco De Romacio, his nephew, colonel in Brazilian army  
 Mr. Montgomery, Paulo De Silverio, captain in Brazilian army  
 Mr. Mullen, Harry Marlinpike, U. S. S. Oregon  
 Mr. Moran, Horatio Dolittle Fritters, with his kodak  
 Mr. Morris, Santos, a Moorish slave  
 Mr. Ritter, Deodora, De Fonseca, president of Brazil  
 Mr. Lewis, Bacco, a bandit  
 Mr. Thorne, Jacko, a bandit  
 Mr. Moran, Servant  
 Mr. Dundon, Admiral Kromeloff, Russian ship Volga  
 Mr. Dinsmore, Admiral Von Wiegand, German ship Molke  
 Mr. Dundon, Admiral Vivani, Italian ship Humbert  
 Mr. Trucks, Admiral D'Anfonis, French ship La Justice  
 Mr. Traube, Commander Robertson, British ship Trafalgar  
 Mr. Thorne, Onesta De Silverio, Paulo's sister  
 Miss Kelton  
 Miss Freeman  
 Hope Staunton, Victor's sister  
 Mrs. Bitner  
 Miss Martha, her aunt, Miss Walton  
 Soldiers, Sailors, Bandits, etc.

Synopsis.

Act I—The Silverio home on the outskirts of Rio Janeiro, Brazil.

Act II—The same next morning.

Act III—A public square in Rio Janeiro, with a view of the harbor. The congress of navies. Noon the next day.

Act IV—On the Parihiba—the evening.

Will care for one or two good dogs for their use during the balance of the year. Apply Nugget office.

The finest of office stationery may be secured at the Nugget printery at reasonable prices.

### THE PEOPLE'S FORUM

Communications for publication in this column are invited upon all questions of public interest. Correspondents are requested to be as brief as possible and to sign their names, which will be withheld if desired.

Republites Sun Report

Editor Nugget:

Dear Sir,—In the Sun of Sunday there appeared an article headed "Murphy to Stey Down," a part of which reads as follows: "Mr. Murphy is to withdraw from the mayoralty fight and become a candidate for re-election to the office of alderman with the assurance that three other candidates he shall name and himself will receive the full support of the McLennan faction."

In justice to myself and my friends however, I feel it my duty to declare publicly that nobody but myself has any authority to speak for me in regard to my candidacy or attitude in this campaign.

I desire it to be distinctly understood that I am not at the beck and call of any combination in this election and will pursue such course as I may consider best independent of any arrangement that other candidates may enter into.

Thanking you in advance for space I remain,

Your obedient servant,  
 JAMES F. MACDONALD  
 Dawson, Dec. 22, 1902.

Facts Abo the Runaway.

Grand Forks, Dec. 22, 1902.

Editor Klondike Nugget:

Kindly give me space in your valuable paper to give the fact concerning the runaway here last Thursday night in order to exonerate those who were with me as well as myself from all blame.

In the first place when the sled

tipped over the horses were under full control. I know this for I was driving myself. Only for the old wagons and other debris in the near vicinity they would not have run away at all. This is a very sad and had place. Prior to Thursday night several loads were tipped over at that identical spot.

Why so much fuss should be made over an insignificant runaway is more than an intelligent class of people can understand.

Furthermore, it was unkind, improper and unmanly for the author of the article that appeared in the Sun of Friday to mention any names in connection with the affair.

E. A. O'CONNELL.

Petty Thief's Work.

Some miscreant entered the Latimer cabin last night and carried off a quantity of cream and other canned goods which had escaped the ravages of the fire of yesterday morning. The tin amounting to about 20 in all had been placed on a shelf in the cabin preparatory to removal this morning.

A partly charged rocking chair was overlooked by the intruder who can secure the same as an additional Christmas gift by calling on Mr. Latimer.

Cause of Stage Fright

An expert claims that stage fright really comes from a disordered stomach. He argues from this fact that persons in Dawson contemplating appearance should be careful of their diet and always buy groceries of Dunham, where they are always sure of getting the purest and best.

At Auditorium—White Squadron.

GOOD CLOTHES

Always Create a Good Impression.

If you need a new Suit, Overcoat or pair of Trousers you should get only the best. To do that you must go to

GEO. BREWITT, The Tailor  
 114 SECOND AVENUE  
 SATISFACTION—GARRANTEED.

We guarantee our Diamonds. You cannot buy yellow, chipped or flawed stones from J. L. Sale & Co. We import our diamonds direct.

White Squadron—At Auditorium  
 Cocktails, 25c, at the Flower  
 White Squadron—At Auditorium

## NOTICE!

### ..Mammoth Auction Sale..

To the Highest Bidder

H. Pinkert has received instructions to sell

## ..At Public Auction..

At his Auction Mart on Front Street, opposite White Pass Dock, on

### Tuesday, Dec. 23rd, 1902, at 2:00 p. m.

And to continue until all sold. A full line of Ladies' and Gents' Furs, etc., consisting of the following

Ladies' Seal Automobile Coats.  
 Seal Jackets, Assorted Trimmings.  
 Fur Lined Capes.  
 Persian Lamb Jackets.  
 Wallaby Jackets.  
 Astrakan Jackets.  
 Seal, Sable, Coon and Mink Muffs.  
 Ladies' Seal, Persian Lamb, Coney and Otter Caps.  
 Ladies' Seal, Persian Lamb, Coney, Astrakan and Nutria Mitts.  
 Ladies' Martin, Mink, Fox, Oppossum and Thibet Boas.  
 Ladies' Felt Shoes—Doige's make.  
 Silk Skirts and Waists.  
 Gent's Fur and Fur Lined Coats, Caps, Mitts, Etc.

Also a full line of Christmas goods consisting of Pictures, Albums, Fancy Furniture, Workboxes, Mirrors, Bric-a-brac, etc. etc.

The Above Goods will be on Exhibition Saturday, 20th December.

Catalogues on application. The trade respectfully invited.

# AMES MERCANTILE COMPANY

## CHRISTMAS SUGGESTIONS

### Grocery Department

Epecurian Brand Fruits

Pears, Peaches, Pineapple, Appriets, Cherries, etc., case. \$9.00

Imported French Sardines, (100 quarters in case), case. \$15.00

New England Plum Pudding, case. \$10.00

Emerald Tip Asparagus, case. \$7.50

Lenon, Citron and Orange Peel, pound. 50 Cents

Chapberry Sauces, 34 one-half, case. \$9.00

Fine Old Java Coffee, pound. 50 Cents

### Specials in Ladies Fur Coats

Polongus Fur Coats. \$20.00

Wombal Fur Coats. 20.00

Siberian Lynx Fur Coats. 20.00

3-4 Length Coon Coats. 40.00

28-in. Length Coon Coats. 40.00

30-in. Length Coon Coats. 40.00

Silk Brocatel Fur-lined Capes. 20.00

Krimmer Jackets. 55.00

Astrakan, Persian Lamb, Mink, Martin, Seal, and other Caps.

### Assorted Jams and Jellies, case, \$5.00 to \$13.00

Three Crown London Layer Raisins, box. 1.25

Assorted Nuts, pound. 25c

Mince Meat, case. 9.00

Chicken Tomales, case. 13.50

Cross & Blackwell's Chutney, bottle. 1.50

Clear Havana Cigars, 100 to box. 10.00

Try a Case of Our Assorted Liquors, Especially Assorted for Christmas Trade, \$20 per case.

### MEN'S FINE SUITS

In Sack, Cutaway and Prince Albert, \$10.00 to \$30.00

Fancy Vests, \$5.00 to \$10.00

Neckwear, Silk and Linen Handkerchiefs, Silk & Cashmere Underwear, Kid & Silk Lined, Gloves and Mitts, Fur and Silk Lined Overcoats.

### LINENS

Handsome Linen Sets, Hemmed Stitched Table Cloths and Napkins to match, made from finest Satin Damask, consisting of One Table Cloth 3 yards long, and One Dozen 3-4 size Napkins. \$10.00.

### Liquor Dept.

O. V. H. Scotch Whisky, case. \$20.00

Walker's Imperial Rye, case. 20.00

Canadian Club Rye, case. 21.50

Gooderham & Worts Rye, case. 22.50

5-year-old Bulk Rye, gallon. 8.00

10-year-old Bulk Scotch, gallon. 9.00

Fine Stock of Brandies, Gins, Wines and French Liqueurs.

### RUGS

Velvet, Axminster, Brussels and Moquette Rugs, All Sizes. \$5.00 to \$40.00

### FURNITURE

Oak Chiffoniers. 30.00

Oak Folding Beds. 45.00

Oak Roll Top Desks. 55.00

Oak Sideboards. 40.00

Oak Cane Seat Dining Chairs, each. 3.50

Oak Disappearing Top Typewriter Desks. 42.50

Handsome Draperies, Spreads, Curtains, Fine Blankets and Dress Comforts.