

### PASSING OF THE THROG.

#### Hundreds Are Hurrying to Their Winter Homes.

#### Steamboats Doing a Fine Business Owing to the Nearness of the Approaching Freeze-Up.

The jaunty little steamer Ora arrived Tuesday with a large passenger list and 70 tons of freight. She reported catching up with and passing the steamer Canadian, and the latter boat an hour late arriving. Among the passengers on the Ora were: A. F. George and Mr. Fitzpatrick of the Nugget; Louis Allenberg and F. Garfenale, two young merchants of Dawson; A. G. McCandless, a Dawson merchant; Constables W. Hume and A. Wheeler, who have been assigned to duty at Dawson; Mr. and Mrs. Louis Cloture, of the Northwest hotel, Hunker, and Mrs. L. J. Cloture, wife of their son. Mr. E. Sampson, the new agent for the B. L. & K. N. Co., and the following: Mrs. M. Bentley, Miss N. M. Jones, J. Blick and wife, Mrs. Fish and family, Robert Kerrigan, D. A. Schindler and family, Miss Daly, L. Brock and wife, Mrs. C. J. Cunningham, Mrs. E. B. Lung.

The Bonanza King took out a large and important list of passengers on Tuesday, and a crowd of people bade them Godspeed from the wharf. Among them were: F. R. Day, P. Jewell, L. Dane, A. W. Sawyer, D. L. Sawyer, D. T. Sawyer, C. Herz, A. D. Chappell, H. G. Smith, L. P. Kerne, W. A. Carson, L. A. McKenzie, Mrs. L. Fritz, W. A. Ayers, Mrs. W. E. Ayers, W. N. Cowley, C. M. Lynde, J. Connors, W. Cunningham and wife, C. S. Ward, O. J. Ahrens, P. N. Hamilton, H. E. Abell, G. H. Abell, W. Roeden, A. Parks, W. Deane, C. Jameson, John Connors, H. A. Ash, Davo Desqua, V. E. Thorn, Lottie Oatly, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Staley, Rev. D. D. Grant, Mrs. Edgerton.

The following persons arrived from the outside on Monday: A. L. Kieviz, J. Horan, E. Shanklin, A. Denar, M. Larsen, M. Canghey, C. A. Rawson, R. Heilditch, Mrs. Gilbert, H. H. Benson, Mrs. J. Hobbs, Mrs. Roethke, H. G. Murray and wife, Mrs. Burt and children, A. McKetchnie and wife, R. Chisholm, R. Jensen, Miss Stanchfield, A. Anderson and wife, Mrs. Meldner, A. Lawson, L. Miller, R. McLenman, S. F. Brown, J. M. Budelman, Mrs. Parker, Mrs. Kern, A. J. Botnen, A. S. Lein, G. Larson, A. McCauley and wife, Mrs. Perkins, A. D. Osborn, Captain Thacker, J. R. Fitzgerald, M. F. Stevens and wife, James Pender.

The Canadian had a very small number of passengers from the outside. They were as follows: Mrs. Shaver and son, Mrs. Rodin, W. C. Schultz and wife, E. J. Sliter, Mrs. H. E. Noyes, Mrs. H. E. Ashelby, A. D. Coulter, Mrs. F. S. Briggs, John D. Taylor, jr. On her way out again on Wednesday, the passengers for the outside were:

Albert Michall, George O. Berard, F. R. Fish, Mrs. Stewart, Dr. A. Robertson, James Webster, C. F. Currie, M. Duclos, M. Plonder, M. Martin, Henry Garner, Rev. A. J. Grant, George R. Dumais, P. C. T. Dumais, W. Wensky, J. D. Fries, W. Owens, A. F. Engelhart, J. Lévein.

The following persons were passengers from below on the steamer Leah: J. Marion, Capt. Al. Mayo, R. S. Heath, W. McPhee, A. Anderson U. C. Cronon, L. Waller, George McClure, Frank Hall, J. Lamoreaux, J. H. Baker, Wm. Louselle, L. M. Olson, John Carty, W. G. Schaffer, W. McIntosh, E. Hutchings, E. W. Goodspeed, J. Dunlap.

The Leah left for St. Michaels Wednesday for her last trip this season. Among her passengers were Capt. Al. Mayo, a prominent business man of Minook, Mr. Buckner "Buck" and Alice Gillens, the last two bound for Cape Nome.

Rev. G. R. Maxwell, the member of parliament who has been visiting the Klondike, Hugh McLean, who is interested in the proposed electric railway here, and Dr. A. Robertson, who was their companion on the trip in, left for Ottawa on Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Anton F. Stander, of No. 4, Eldorado, left for the outside on Tuesday. Accompanying them was \$140,000 in gold dust from the late clean-up, and two men—employees of Anton—to guard it.

#### News of the River.

A change in the firm of Nels Peterson & Co., owners and operators of the Flyer line boats, took place on Tuesday, Mr. Peterson buying out the interest of D. H. Pingree. The latter left for the outside with the Bonanza King and will, it is said, be associated with the Klondike Exposition Co. Mr. Peterson is very well satisfied with the season's business, which has improved from the start, and has plans in hand for even larger operations next spring.

It is learned that several prominent river captains, most of them employees of the A. C. Co., are preparing to go outside to spend the winter, among them being Captain Otis McGinley of the Leah, Captain Morrell Looney, of the Sarah, and others. The A. C. Co. imported 19 experienced steambot men from the Mississippi river a year and a half ago, and the move proved a wise and satisfactory one.

The Emma Nott, which is engaged in bringing cattle from Fort Selkirk for the Cattle Syndicate, No. 2, arrived down with a full load, including several horses, on Tuesday. The cattle were driven over the Dalton trail.

Steamboat men report that Circle City is very dead and almost deserted. "Why," said one of them, "there are more people down to the river at night when a boat reaches Minook than there is at Circle City in the day time."

#### Tribute to Heroism.

The project of the people of Oregon to erect a monument to the heroism and patriotism of the volunteer soldiers of that state who served in the Philippines has extended to the Klondike, and it is expected that, ere long, a substantial contribution to the fund will be speeding on its way out. The project here is in the hands of G. W. Stearns and Willis W. Ross, and the latter, who purposes spending a portion of the winter outside, will be the bearer of the Klondiker's offering. It is designed that the contribution shall be made largely by people from Oregon though, it may be fairly presumed, the gentlemen in charge will not decline an offering from anybody who appreciates the services of the brave Oregon boys; indeed, the call is addressed to citizens of the United States at large. It is learned from outside information that the Oregon troops lost 15 killed and many as the result of sickness. Mr. Ross was once a member of the Oregon National Guard, and is very proud of the achievements of his old comrades in arms. He expects to leave next week for the outside.

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### STEWART RIVER DIGGINGS.

#### Output Is Sufficient to Keep the Miners Hopeful.

#### Scroggie Buys Crown Claims—The Latest Stampede—Old River Bars Still Being Worked.

If a big strike of gold is not some day made in the Stewart river country, it will be a surprise to many men who have prospected its streams and who will be unable to account for the presence of the gold which they have found in numerous places there. Slowly but surely bedrock is being reached on its tributaries, and in nearly every case gold in some quantity is found. Surely, they agree there must be a mother lode somewhere, and they are bound to find it if perseverance and industry will accomplish it. Two late arrivals from there are A. Dalton and his son, Frank P. Dalton, and their conversation, besides describing other conditions there, is along these lines.

Messrs. Dalton are almost direct from Brown's gulch on May C. May creek, which flows into the Stewart about 30 miles from its mouth. They report that the whole gulch has been located and that as high as \$1.05 to the pan has been raised.

Lake creek, located about 75 miles above the mouth of Stewart on its left limit, has lately been stampeded, not less than 100 boats going up. Three discoverers, it is reported, found \$4 to the pan on bedrock and at once recorded, after which they went to Fort Selkirk and put their friends on.

There is considerable rocking being done on the bars in the main river, the same as the old pathfinders of ten years ago did. From 75 to 100 men are thus engaged, and they claim to be making from \$2.50 to \$5 a day.

The late news from Scroggie creek, Messrs. Dalton say, is that the syndicate which the discoverer formed has purchased all the crown claims on the creek, paying therefor \$15 each, and many of the claims held by individuals, their purpose being to institute hydraulic operations on a large scale next spring.

Black Hills creek is practically deserted and no operations worth mentioning are going on there.

May C. May creek has also turned out between 75 and 100 tons of fine red-top hay this season, most of which will be brought to Dawson.

#### Mining Notes in General.

Stephen Brown, a man who has been conspicuous during the summer as a street advertiser for one of the steambot companies, hired a lot of men to stake on the Klondike this week, paying them, it is said, \$20 a head and providing them transportation to the outside if they desired. It is said that Brown is representing a syndicate who purpose putting in a hydraulic plant.

A stampede took place this week to Bird creek, a tributary of Ophir, in the Indian river district.

The old time belief that no gold existed on Bonanza creek above Victoria

gulch has long since been dispelled; but even the most sanguine prospector was not expecting to see the upper end of the creek, above McCormack's forks, develop as it promises to do. A well defined paystreak has been located and next year will bring that locality into prominence.

#### The Injured Aeronaut.

John Leonard, the daring aeronaut whose thrilling parachute leap last Monday came near precipitating the termination of his adventurous career, has been confined to a room at the Hoffman house since the accident. Though no bones were broken, as determined by a careful examination, Mr. Leonard was severely injured about the hip and body, besides receiving painful cuts and contusions about the arms. But this is coming off very lightly, when the nature of the fall is considered. On Thursday he tried to walk a little, but was advised by the doctor that recovery would only come with rest. He was however, feeling much better. As a result of the accident, Mr. Leonard will be obliged to forego the proposed ascension at the forks, as he is desirous of getting outside before the river freezes up. He will, however, leave his airship and parachute here and return in the spring to complete the program he had mapped out. That's the spirit of '76, and John may be assured that the people of the Klondike will be glad to see him again.

#### Another Census Being Taken.

Another census of the people in town and on the gulches is being taken, Constables Frank Smith and Barnes performing the service in town. They will ascertain the name, age, nationality and occupation of each person, ascertain the number of school children, etc. The census will also be of service in securing a jury for the September term of the Territorial court.

#### Dawson Prices.

Prices of table commodities ruling at Dawson mercantile establishments Friday were as follows:

- Flour—\$5 to \$6 per sack.
- Beans—10c. to 12c. per lb.
- Sugar—18c. per lb.
- Bacon—25c. to 30c. per lb.
- Butter—50c. to \$1 per lb.
- Rice—20c. to 25c. per lb.
- Roll'd oats—20c. to 25c. per lb.
- Cornmeal—20c. per lb.
- Potatoes—Cheechakos, 25c. per lb.; sourdoughs, 35c. to 75c. per lb.
- Milk—40c. to 50c. per can.
- Cream—35c. to 40c. per can.
- Canned goods—Vegetables, 40c. to 50c. per can; meats, 50c. to 75c. per can.
- Ham—35c. to 40c. per lb.
- Dried fruits—25c. per lb.
- Onions—Cheechakos, 20c. per lb.
- Cabbage—Three lbs. for \$1.
- Summer squash—50c. per lb.
- Cucumbers—Three for \$1.
- Tomatoes—Cheechakos, 75c. to \$1 lb.
- Sweet potatoes—Three lbs. for \$1.
- Poultry—Live chickens, \$3.00 each; old hens, \$5 each.
- Beefsteaks—60c. to \$1 per lb.
- Mutton—55c. to 75c. per lb.
- Pork—65c. to 75c. per lb.
- Veal—75c. to \$1 per lb.

Send your letters and packages to any claim on the creeks via the Nugget Express.

You can get stationery in big variety at the Pioneer Drug Store, E. Shoff, chemist.

Beer, ale, porter and wines served to table guests on Sunday at Cafe Royal.

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