

## A KLONDIKE ROMANCE.

### Elopes With Her Rescuer Six Months After Marriage.

#### Strange Case of Mrs. Mabel Long—Love-Making in the Waters of Lake Bennett.

Mrs. Mabel Long, the subject of the appended sketch, is the heroine of a misadventure on Lake Bennett, which was followed by an instance of moral obliquity or romantic disregard of conventionalities sufficient to form the framework of a three volume novel.

The story and picture was brought down by Albert Ralston, who came in from his stranded barge at White river, on Wednesday last. Mrs. Mabel Long, whose handsome features are herewith represented, left her Southern California home the past summer for the Klondike. She was but 18 years old, and had been married six months to the choice of her parents. At Bennett a party was formed, including the young couple, Ralston, and two others, to make the descent of the river. A stiff breeze was blowing when the party started out which quickly freshened into a gale. In rounding the angle in the

arrested by a private detective engaged by the husband. Upon learning of the ruse she insisted upon returning to Seattle with a view to securing a divorce, upon the event of which she proposes marrying Rossberg and coming to the gold fields over the ice.

According to Ralston, the arrest was as bogus as the telegram and for the same futile purpose. At Skagway the husband gave up the unequal contest and abandoned the chase. He is now engaged in hauling from the scow at White river. The divorce will not be opposed and has probably been secured ere this. Rossberg is of a wealthy and influential family in Boston.

#### Fire Run.

Fire station No. 2 was suddenly called on by a test alarm on Tuesday. A run of 1000 feet to the engine on the ice was made and then 1500 feet of hose were laid up the bank and along Front street to in front of the C. D. warehouse. The total time consumed before the water reached the nozzle is given as four minutes. Time from the sound of the gong to the engine pumping water, two and a half minutes.

In the elevation of the fire department to its present condition of efficiency the government has for almost the first time in its history catered to the public demands. The Ogilvie star chamber should take note of the public approbation at a duty performed, and should take a lesson from it for future guidance. It is no sign of weakness, but rather of strength, for the Ogilvie star chamber to take cognizance of the public demands.

work to the amount of \$200 has been done on the claim. Fee, \$2.

(d) By performing said work upon an adjoining claim, (claims limited to seven) an agreement between the miners to represent in this manner having FIRST been filed with the recorder at an expense of \$2.

At the expiration of 12 months, if no renewal has been secured, the government holds a lien on the claim for \$250.

No transfers can be then made until the payment of this fine.

At the expiration of 15 months, in the absence of renewal, the claim reverts back to the government. No more re locations are allowable.

At the end of the fourth year, without representation work, the sum to be paid the recorder in lieu thereof is \$400 instead of \$200.

The foregoing goes into effect from and after the posting of the above regulations in the recorder's office, which will take place in a few days.

#### AGENT THE TIMBER ROYALTY.

#### Why Miners in Dawson Should Pay Royalty on Wood They Use.

Crown Land and Timber Agent Gosselin was seen by a Nugget man agent in iniquitous interpretation of the laws which exacts a royalty on fuel and logs from the holder of a free miner's certificate if the miner happens to have a town house, either rented or owned, within the limits of Dawson.

"The matter has been discussed," said Mr. Gosselin courteously, "and we could not see that a resident of

granting to any individual or individuals any exclusive or peculiar right or privilege, or for doing any matter or thing which in its operation would affect the rights or properties of other parties, shall be received by the council unless notice of the application has been published in the official gazette of the Yukon territory, in all the issues thereof published during one month prior to the presentation of such petition. The notice must clearly and distinctly specify the nature and object of the application, and must be signed by or on behalf of the applicants. The party seeking to obtain any such bill shall be required to pay into the local revenue fund of the Yukon territory the sum of two hundred dollars previous to the first reading thereof, and shall supply, for the use of the council, at least twenty-five type-written or printed copies of the proposed bill."

Would-be concessionaires will observe that their applications are invalidated unless they appear for a month in every extra, special and regular issue of the government organ. Walk up, gentlemen, and patronize the paper you despise, at its own terms.

The Nugget Express has established an office at 23 below upper, Dominion. Orders for expressage on the creeks or to the outside may be left at any branch office or given to messengers.

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lake just above the island the water was too rough to make a landing and too dangerous to be comfortable. In spite of every effort the barge took the wrong side of the island and struck a rock when a landing was attempted. The shock of the collision threw Mabel overboard. She rose to the surface of the seething water and grasped a floating spar. The distracted husband stood on the barge wringing his hands in despair, but dared not plunge to the rescue. At that moment a quiet young fellow named Rossburg, who had been with the party a week, dashed overboard and made for the gasping woman. He proved a strong swimmer, and, with the aid of the spar, was enabled to land the young woman on the bar which connects the island with the right shore. The barge presently drifted onto the same bar. A camp was made and the boat repaired. Several other barges were tied up on the island, and when the time came to sail, Mabel and Rossberg were missing. By rowing night and day the couple were overtaken at White horse. Mabel refused to return to her liege lord, who is 20 years her senior, even when threatened with arrest. Protests—and prayers were unavailing, and she defied the party to prove cohabitation. It was evidently a bad case of infatuation on the part of both Mabel and Rossberg. "By a ruse she was served with a bogus telegram purporting to originate at Seattle, and stating that the mother was very ill there and about to die. Accompanied by Rossberg she started again for the coast. Upon stepping from the train at Skagway she was

### NO MORE RE-LOCATIONS.

#### The Points Covered by the New Mining Regulations.

To Become Law as Soon as Posted Up in the Recorder's Office—Work to the Amount of \$200.

The new mining regulations, as given exclusively in The Nugget a month ago, have now been received. The new laws cover some very important points for miners. Stripped of preambles and "therefores," the new regulations, passed at Ottawa, as stated in The Nugget on October 7th, provide the following changes:

1. Claims secured to the holder thereof for 15 months.

Renewals on the following terms:

(a) At the end of 12 months upon payment of \$200.

(b) During the 13th, 14th or 15th month upon payment of a fine or lien of \$200.

(c) At the end of the year upon satisfactory proof to recorder and affidavit of self and two other free miners that

Dawson could properly take advantage of a miners' certificate, which gives the privilege of cutting timber for mining purposes. There is no question of the right of a miner on the creeks to use what timber he needs not otherwise appropriated.

"When the present population were coming down the river there was no question of their right to cut what timber was needed," was suggested.

"No, indeed. Timber for boats was specified in the license."

The following extract was then read by Mr. Gosselin: "Also the privilege of cutting timber for actual necessities, for building houses, boats and general mining operations."

"Mr. Gosselin, I will ask you if a miner coming to town to do business at the recording office or to get supplies is not engaged in legitimate mining operations, and if a miner in town who cuts himself a little fuel when the temperature is 40 below is not cutting timber for actual necessities."

Mr. Gosselin courteously confessed that there appeared reasonable grounds for the argument, and agreed to refer the matter to the Yukon commissioner at an early date.

A wire from up river shows the Nugget Express to be well ahead of the government mail, which left a week before. The second Nugget Express team starts out Monday, Nov. 27th.

We know only a little, but we know that well. Reid & Co., chemists.

#### HOW CONCESSIONS ARE GAINED.

Must Be Presented Through One of the Members of the Council.

The Yukon council has promulgated a new lot of orders of procedure to govern their regular meetings. A variety of subjects are covered, among them a rule by which you must drop \$200 into the council purse before the Ogilvie star chamber will consider any proposition you may have to infringe upon the rights of your fellow citizen. Listen to the beautiful section covering this matter:

15. "No petition for a private bill for