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NO DEAL POSSIBLE

Between British and Russian Commanders at Tientsin

AS BOTH ARE UNDER INSTRUCTIONS.

Negotiations Between Kitchener and Botha Are Off.

GUERRILLA WAR WILL FOLLOW

Hosher Released From Seattle Jail on Bond—Harrison's Estate Valued at \$250,000.

Tientsin, March 20, via Skagway, March 26.—Count Von Walderssee, commander of the German forces in China, has held long conference with Russian and English commanders respecting certain disputed territory.

The Russian commander declined to discuss the matter until the British withdrew from the ground claimed by Russia. The British general replied

that he was acting under instructions and could not withdraw.

Walderssee made a similar statement adding that as each was acting under instructions it would be useless to continue negotiations.

Negotiations Broken Off.

London, March 20, via Skagway, March 26.—Reports have been received to the effect that the peace negotiations between Botha and Kitchener have been broken off. It is estimated that from 10,000 to 12,000 Boers are still in the field. Secretary Chamberlain states that the responsibility for a continuance of guerilla warfare rests entirely with Botha.

Hosher Released.

Seattle, March 20, via Skagway, March 26.—Hosher has been released from prison on bail. His securities are W. H. Dickson and Mr. J. B. Thompson.

Harrison's Will.

Indianapolis, March 20, via Skagway, March 26.—Gen. Harrison's will bequeaths his entire estate amounting to \$250,000, to his family.

IMPORTANT MINING CASE

Being Heard Before Gold Commissioner Senkler.

For two days the case of Trabold vs. Bannerman et al., has been occupying the attention of Gold Commissioner Senkler before whom the case is being heard.

In April, 1900, Trabold applied for a hydraulic concession on 3 1/2 miles of Black Hills creek and 1 1/2 miles of a tributary of the same creek.

His application papers were prepared and sent to Ottawa but before any reply was received a government sale of crown lands occurred at which time this particular ground was offered for sale.

Mr. A. J. Bannerman purchased the whole of Black Hills creek and its tributaries paying the purchase price and also recording fees.

On February 4th a letter was received from Ottawa stating that Trabold had complied with the law and that upon survey would be given a grant therefor.

In the meantime the sale had occurred and grants had been issued to Bannerman and several transfers of the portions of the property had been made.

The plaintiffs allege that while the application for the hydraulic concession was under consideration that no placer grants could be issued for the ground.

The defendants hold that the concession had not been granted and that the placer miner had a perfect right to acquire title to the ground.

The case is one of importance and will be watched with interest.

Attorneys Wade and McDougall appear for plaintiff and Pattullo for defendants.

We are making a specialty of creek orders and guarantee satisfaction. Cribbs & Rogers, the druggists.

Barrett & Hull have received a fresh consignment of lemons, oranges and eggs. All unfrozen.

Any kind of wine \$5 per bottle at the Regina Club hotel.

Photographer wanted. Cantwell, Third ave. and First st. P27.

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CONVICTS MUTINY

But Are Brought to Terms by Rifle Shots.

Leavenworth, Kans., March 20, via Skagway, March 26.—Eighty-four convicts working in the Lansing state coal mines mutinied yesterday and held 15 wardens as hostages. They demanded better food and threatened to kill the wardens if their demands were not complied with. Warden Tomlinson refused all day and night to comply with the demands of the convicts and assured them that nothing short of absolute surrender would be accepted.

After 48 hours Tomlinson, accompanied by an armed guard entered the shaft which the convicts had barricaded. A volley of rifle shots was fired which frightened the convicts sufficiently to induce them to surrender.

Special Power of Attorney forms for sale at the Nugget office.

WILL NOT HANG JUNE 7

Sentence of George St. Cyr Commuted to Life Imprisonment

George St. Cyr, the man convicted of the murder of James Davis near Hootalinga last November and who, upon the verdict of a jury of his peers, was sentenced by Justice Dugas to be hanged on June 7th, will not hang, a commutation of the sentence having been received by Sheriff R. J. Bilbeck at a late hour yesterday afternoon. The message to the sheriff was by wire and is as follows:

Ottawa, March 20, via Bennett, March 25.—The Sheriff of Yukon Territory, Dawson: I am commanded to inform you that his excellency the governor general has thought fit to commute to life imprisonment in the guard room of the Northwest mounted police at Dawson, Y.T., the sentence of death passed upon one George St. Cyr, by Mr. Justice Dugas. Please wire receipt of this telegram, which I am confirming by today's mail.

JOSEPH POPE,
Under Secretary of State.

This forenoon St. Cyr was taken from the jail to the office of Capt. Starnes, officer in command of the police, and to him the contents of the message was read by Sheriff Bilbeck who read it slowly and distinctly during which time St. Cyr never moved as much as an eyelid. At the conclusion of the reading the sheriff said:

"You now pass from my care into that of the police where you will remain during your life."

The sheriff, having ceased speaking a realization that the cloud of death which since his sentence has hovered over St. Cyr was dispelled appeared to flash through his mind for, quickly looking up and into the face of the sheriff, there was a perceptible brightening of his eyes as he said quite audibly "Thank you!"

Capt. Starnes then instructed the guards to return St. Cyr to the jail and see that the order as to the transfer from one department to the other was carried out.

Since sentence was imposed nearly two months ago St. Cyr has failed very noticeably, being now much thinner than before and of a sallow, wan appearance, doubtless superinduced by brooding over his approaching death by the gallows.

The readers of the Nugget are all familiar with the circumstances of the murder for which St. Cyr is now a prisoner for life.

Mr. Charles Bechtel, son of John Bechtel of the Regina, surprised his father last night by arriving on the C. D. stage, the latter thinking him to be looking it down from Whitehorse on account of the stages being overcrowded. The young man is an expert assayer, having been for many years in an office in Salt Lake city, his former home. He lately returned from a two years' campaign in Manila.

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MR. ROSS EN ROUTE

New Commissioner Will Soon Be in Dawson.

Moose Jaw, March 20, via Skagway, March 26.—James Ross, the new commissioner for the Yukon territory, was given a farewell banquet here last night. Mr. Ross will sail on one of the Vancouver steamers enroute to Dawson next week.

Libel Suits.

London, March 20, via Skagway, March 26.—Arthur Chamberlain, brother of Joseph Chamberlain, has begun action for libel against the Strand and the Morning Leader. In both cases the ground for complaint is based upon statements appearing in the papers in regard to certain war office contracts alleged to have been obtained by improper methods.

Fresh cabbage at Meeker's.

SALUTE CAPT. SCARTH

Received Commission in Baden-Powell's Police.

Inspector William H. Scarth, one of the pioneer police officers in the Yukon who a month ago telegraphed to Ottawa his willingness to go to South Africa in defence of his country, was last night made happy by the arrival of a captain's commission in Baden-Powell's police, and is today receiving the congratulations of his host of friends who, while averse to having him leave Dawson, recognize that active service is more suitable to his temperament than is the prosaic life of the police inspector in the Yukon.

The only blot on the bright page now open before the intrepid young officer is that no provision is made for his expenses in reaching Ottawa from Dawson, but even if this is not later provided for it will not deter Capt. Scarth from taking a hand in the ultimate finish of Botha and his guerillas.

Owing to his knowledge of the O'Brien case the captain will not be able to get away until that trial has been held and the chances are that it will be the latter part of June or first of July before he can leave Dawson. His career on the field of action will be of special interest to his Yukon friends.

Consul McCook Returns.

United States Consul J. C. McCook was an arrival on the C. D. Co. stage last night looking the image of contentment and all else that accompanies good health and a happy disposition. During his nearly six months' absence he visited many of the cities of the east, spending considerable time in Washington, New York and Philadelphia. He has not yet decided where his office will be located, having given up his former quarters last fall.

Vale Slot Machines.

Olympia, March 12.—The senate by an overwhelming vote today passed the Rines bill, which prohibits the operation of any nickel-in-the-slot machines of any sort or description in the state. The bill had already passed the house, and all it lacks now to make it a law is the signature of the governor. The bill carries no emergency clause, and will not go into effect for 90 days. The vote was 27 yeas to 2 nays.

We fit glasses. Pioneer drug store.

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CAPTAIN HEALY

In London Said to be Organizing New Yukon Corporation.

BETTER SHOW FOR ENGLISH INTERESTS

Russian and Japanese Warships Going to Corea.

REPORTED TIENTSIN TROUBLE

Dawson Water Front Transaction Investigated at Ottawa—Archbishop Lewis Dying.

London, March 20, via Skagway, March 26.—John J. Healy is here, it is stated, in the interest of a new corporation to be organized in opposition to the North American Transportation & Trading Co. Mr. Healy says that it is too early to speak definitely as to his plans for the future. He is in London on the invitation of his principals with whom he is in daily conference. He says that in the very near future it is altogether likely that English interests will be on a better footing in the Yukon country than ever before.

Russian Warships Sail.

Tokio, March 20, via Skagway, March 26.—All Russian warships in Japanese waters have sailed for Corea and the Japanese squadron is rapidly mobilizing to sail for the same locality.

News Unreliable.

London, March 20, via Skagway, March 26.—A dispatch has been published in which it is alleged that hostilities have broke out between the British and Russians at Tientsin. The foreign office declares that there is absolutely no change in the situation.

Dawson Water Front.

Ottawa, March 20, via Skagway, March 26.—Jas. Smith was examined before the public accounts committee by Sir Chas. Hilbert Tupper in connection with the lease of the Dawson water front. Smith was questioned respecting the sum of \$500 alleged to have been paid out in legal expenses in connection with the water front transaction. He stated that no papers covering such a transaction had been received at the interior department.

Archbishop Dying.

New York, March 20, via Skagway, March 26.—The Most Reverend Travers Lewis, archbishop of Ontario and metropolitan of Canada is very sick and his recovery is extremely doubtful. His resignation has already been given. It is quite probable that he will be succeeded by Bishop Bond.

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