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Canadian and American Cities Wire Aid to Homeless,

flurder and Lynching at Lituya Bay-Steamer Dora Wrecked and Five Men Lost

Ottawa, April 28, via Skagwav, May -The great conflagration which originated in the town of Hull on April 26th and then spread to the capital city of Canada, was extinguished on April 27th. The destructive element devastated five square miles of territory, and blackened ruins mark the places that were formerly occupied by modern and expensive structures Seven human beings perished in the flames; their the condition of the corpses renders recognition impossible, and the names of the unfortunate persons will probably never be ascertained. The terrible disaster has occasioned 7000 residents o be homeless; and the property interests have sustained a loss of \$17,000,

Manifestations of sympathy are being lendered to Ottawa and her distressed substantial relief is being given to those whom misfortune has rendered roted \$100,000 for the benefit of the

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one for their homes.

RECEIVED BY WIRE, sufferers; the city council of Ottawa has donated \$10,000; and '\$500 has been received from the Chinese merchants of

Reward Is Increased.

Skagway, May 2.- The reward of \$1000 which is now offered for the recovery of the body of Fred H. Clayson has been increased \$500 by the relatives of Lynn Relfe; and the total amount of \$1500 may be obtained by securing the Fire Which Started on the 26th body of either of the murdered men. Tomorrow, William Clayson will leave Skagway for Minto with a dredging apparatus, with which he hopes to make a successful search for the remains of the dead men.

An Obliging Crowd.

Juneau, May 1, via Skagway, May 2. -Martin Servert murdered a tellow miner by the name of Steve Fredigo But He Wanted to Support One and Bryan are nominated you will run and also wounded Chris Christensen, in one of the mines at Lituya lay; the premeditated crime was perpetrated with a revolver. The murderer was imme-CLAYSON REWARD INCREASED ple, and he requested that he be hanged immediately. Without delay the selfconvicted criminal was executed by his

Dora B. Wrecked.

Juneau, May I, via Skagway, May 2. -Last evening, the schooner Dora B. was wrecked, and five men were drowned. The body of one of the un-Cannon, has been recovered.

River Slowly Rising.

The water in the Yukon river is slowly but surely rising. On Monday it raised nearly three inches, while yesterday the rise was but little more than one inch. Today it was rising more rapidly than previously and will probably reach four or five inches. Owing to the scarcity of snow on the hills adcharred bodies have been recovered, but jacent to the Yukon it is thought by steamboat men and others who have given the matter consideration that the river will not be as full this spring as it usually is shortly after the breakin np of the ice. In fact, it is feared by many that the river will be so low the coming open season as to make sand bars prominent and navigation correspondingly difficult.

Dangerous Ice.

son, do so at the risk of their lives. and the United States. Subscription In coming from the three steamers on and a sled dropped in up to the necktie taken for the summer. two different times, and but for his firm grip on the sled handles, would have lestitute. The federal cabinet has been carried away beneath the ice. Several parties have fallen through the ice close to the shore lately, but have extricated themselves with no worse damage than that ascribed to disciples of Isaac Walton.

A Big Sale.

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Removed to Mouth of Hunker Creek, on Ktondike River Offices: At Mill, at Upper Ferry on Klondike River and at Boyle's Whari

.....J. W. BOYLE held in Chicago in August.

Is a Candidate for Presidency but Does Not Come Out Fairly and Say So.

Grover Cleveland.

diately apprehended by a crowd of peo- WHITNEY WON'T HAVE HIM. asked.

Chicago Blood Flows-G. A. R. After Dewey-He is Not Discouraged.

days to have ready for the press a state himself and a friend. ment as to his plans for the future.

"Can you confirm the statement you are credited with making, that you are a Democrat?" persisted one of the re-

'Certainly, I am a Democrat,' he replied. "I always have been a Democrat, 'he added, smilingly

"Have you ever voted the Democratic 'No, I never voted in my life. The

Mr. Cleveland."

cratic platform. *1 People who venture out on the river "Good night," answered the admiral, rising water. these days, even to cross to West Daw- without answering the question, and re-

Whitney Denies Responsibility.

the presidency are without foundation. He said:

"I do not consider myself so related Humboldt Gates has sold an undivid- to assist in making candidates. I have the minstrel show, which is to be given ed interest in 28 Eldorado, including the profoundest admiration for Dewey. at the Palace Grand theater tomorrow for another main advance, or raids simi dumps, etc., to Louis Paillard and Al- It came naturally to me from my ac- evening by a number of society people lar to that just made by the Boers are quaitance with the admiral when I was of Dawson for the benefit of the Good very liable to be rep ated. secretary of the navy. I take great Samaritan hospital. The original propride in his reputation, but I had no gram, which was rendered last week, knowledge or anything to do with his has been altered and several new featrecent announcement. I believe it to ures have been added. Tomorrow evenbe the act of the admiral himself. His ing sentertainment will excel the prevnature is simple and straightforward, ious performance in every particular; and he has doubtless been solicited to and the public generally are earnestly become a candidate by thousands of requested to be present. Tickets are people who would like to see him presi- now on sale at Reid & Co.'s drug direct to Windsor castle. She is greatdent. I imagine that if you get at the store. real truth you will find that to be the reason of his announcement."

Dewey's Fault.

Chicago, April 12. - One man was killed and another badly injured in a fight growing out of an argument over Admiral Dewey's candidacy for president. Eugene Tucker, a colored man, was shot and instantly killed by George Miller, a barber.

The latter was badly cut about the face with a razor and may die. They were drinking in a saloon when the argument arose.

G. A. R. After Him.

Chicago, April 12. - Should the Dewey committee finally decide, owing to the admiral's political aspirations, not to welcome him May 1, in Chicago, Sluice, Flume & Mining Lumber the Grand Army of the Republic will invite him, as a presidential candidate, to attend the great encampment to be

"The Grand Army men are anxious to have Admiral Dewey attend the encampment," said William H. Harper, chairman of the general committee, to

Is Not Discouraged.

Philadelphia, April 12. - It was gleaned last night from what is considered a reliable source that Admiral Dewey had a two hours' conference here with three genltemen, who came from New York. The three gentlemen, it is stated, returned to New York immediately after the conference. As to Of the Trap Roberts Thought the nature of the conference, nothing could be learned, but it was believed to have had a close relation to Admiral Dewey's candidacy for the presidency.

In an interview later, the admiral avoided all questions as to the reported visit. The reporter, in an endeavor to induce the admiral to speak of his can: didacy, said:

"It has been stated that if McKinley independently. Is that true?"

"I have never said so." "How do you teel about the way the people of the country have received your announcement'?' the questioner

"Well," he replied, "one must ex- CRITICISM pect a great many things to be said of a man who has taken such a step. "Then you are not at all discour-

'No, sir, I am not discouraged.''

McLean's Finger in It.

Kansas City, Mo., April 12. - John R. Washington, D. C., April 12 - Ad- McLean, brother-in-law of Admiral miral and Mrs. Dewey returned to Dewey, has engaged elaborate quarters Washington at 8:30 last night from at one of the leading hotels for the fortunate men, whose name was George their brief visit to Philadelphia. They Democratic convention in July. The expressed themselves as greatly pleased rooms are very choice, and it is reportwith their reception. A number of re- ed that they are to be shared by Ad- Joubert in Gen. Botha, as owing to his porters were at the house awaiting their miral Dewey. When the selection was skilled generalship the Boers escaped return. In response to a question the made Mr. McLean, it is said, announced admiral said that he expected in a few that the rooms would be occupied by

Street Improvements.

Under direction o Sergeant J. J. Wilson the work of graveling First avenue is progressinsg, but not so rapidly as it from 40 to 50 convicts, the sergeant being 'promised that number from the barracks' gang. As soon as First avebue is completed the work will be exonly man I ever wanted to vote for was tended to other streets and avenues, much to the advantage and appearance "It is said that Mr. Cleveland wants of the city. An effort is being made to you to run on a straight gold Demo- get as much gravel as possible from the river bed before it is covered by the

Yesterday's Fire.

Monday next the admiral and Mrs. fire occurred in a cabin which is situatlists have been opened in various cities the opposite side mile down yesterday Dewey will move into their country ed to the rear of the gold commisof the Dominion and the Union; and a man who was traveling with two dogs house at Beauvoir, which they have stoner's office. The place is occupied by Attorney Clark, and the blaze originated from an overheated pipe, which was attached to the kitchen stove. The Whitney said today that all statements fire was quickly extinguished by the suggesting that he has had to do with use of the hand chemical apparatus. the candidacy of Admiral Dewey for The roof of the kitchen was burned and many utensils were destroyed; otherwise no damage resulted

Tomorrow Evening's Minstrels.

to politics at present as to be entitled Preparations have been completed for

The Holborn Cafe for delicacies.

RECEIVED BY WIRE. BOERS GET OUT

They Were In and Take Guns and Prisoners.

ARE LEADING FRENCH'S

London Papers Cannot See How It Happened.

ROBERTS.

Must Now Concentrate His Forces at Bloemfontein-Far From Pretoria-Queen Returns.

London, April 28,, via Skagway, May 2. - Latest advices show that the Boers have an emmently capable successor to from Wepener toward Ladybrand with all their guns, transports and prisoners.

When Botha arrived and sized up the situation he ordered immediate withdrawal both from Wepener and Dewet's Dorp. His orders were carried out and will within a few days when additional the retreating forces are keeping well teams will be put to work manned with ahead of French's cavelry, and unless a stand is made at Kroonstadt against Roberts, they will make all haste to cross the Vaal river. Seven thousand retreating Boers are making for Lady brand, where there is a large lot of supplies and around which the cornfields are all ready for harvest.

Roberts Censured.

London, April 28, via Skagway, May 2. - The London papers complain bitterv that a general advance on Pretoria has not been made ere this. They can not realize how it was possible for the Boers to so easily escape from the net Roberts had thrown around them, and in addition to escaping without loss, carry with them all their own accourtements, seven British guns and 100 prisoners

Roberts is severely criticised, as twothirds of his entire force was employed to prevent this escape which the Boers evidently had no trouble in effecting.

Roberts will now have to again concentrate his entire force at Bloemfontein

The general impression here is that the capture of Pretoria is in the far fu-

The Queen at Home.

London, April 28, via Skagway, May 2. - The queen returned today from Ireand. Grand receptions were tendered her at Holyhead and Chester. She went ly pleased over her trip and is apparently in the best of health and spirits.

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