

SENSATIONAL CHARGES

Wanted Claim "Salted" for an Expert

Defendants File Hot Affidavits in Case of Carboneau vs. Letourneau and Bernier.

Edmund Letourneau and Joseph Bernier are laymen who have been working the upper half of No. 12 Gold Run all winter under lease. The owners of the claim are Charles Eugene Carboneau and Beinda A. Carboneau and from the voluminous pleadings and affidavits filed in the territorial court in a case wherein the latter are plaintiffs and the former defendants it is evident the relations of lessors and lessees are not the most amicable in the world. That of itself is no unusual occurrence as laymen frequently disagree with the owners of the claim they are working and such disagreement often results in a lawsuit. Yesterday, however, there were a couple of affidavits filed in the case which takes it out of the ordinary rut, charges in them being made of a most sensational character.

The statement of claim filed by the plaintiffs recites that they are the owners of the upper half of No. 12 Gold Run, upon which a lay agreement was entered into with defendants September 20 last. The terms of the lay were that all shafts and drifts were to be cribbed, all dirt containing gold was to be taken out, each was to contribute equally in the payment of any royalty imposed, the laymen were to pay all the expenses of operation and give the owners 50 per cent. of all the gold taken out. September 28 defendants executed a mortgage to plaintiffs to secure the payment of advances made for the purpose of purchasing machinery, supplies, etc., the mortgage covering the interest in the dumps to be taken out during the winter and all the machinery, wood and supplies, such advances made not to exceed the sum of \$20,000. The mortgage was made payable May 1, 1902, and it was stipulated therein that in case of default in payment plaintiffs were to have immediate possession. It is now claimed default has been made, there is \$20,000 due on the mortgage, the dumps have not been wholly sluiced up and it is further alleged that Letourneau, one of the defendants, has been drinking heavily and is incapacitated from properly attending to business. The plaintiffs also state they have repeatedly sent their representatives to the claim to be present during the cleanup, who defendants have always refused to recognize. A demand was made for the appointment of a receiver and manager of the cleanup which was acceded to by the court, William Baptiste securing the appointment.

Recently on behalf of the defendants Wilfred Thibault has told the way of an affidavit what he knows of the case. He states that he has been employed on the claim as a bookkeeper since September 21. There have been taken out during the winter 64,000 wheelbarrows of pay dirt averaging 15 pans to the barrow. Before the appointment of the receiver there were seven men employed in the drifts and three men and one horse on the dumps. The last two cleanups made amounted to 296 ounces. Since Baptiste's arrival on June 9 he has had 15 men and two horses at work and his last two cleanups amounted to but 197 ounces. The affidavit states there is but one sluiceway of water available and that with that number of men shoveling in the boxes are so choked that much of the gold is carried off into the tailings and is thus lost. It is further stated that Baptiste is not present personally but has deputized one Jealous to act for him who knows nothing of mining. The allegation that \$20,000 is due under the mortgage is denied; the sum is but \$13,789 exclusive of the money already received as the result of the cleanups made by the receiver.

The sensational part of the story is in the affidavits filed yesterday by Letourneau and Bernier, the defendants, which allege that Carboneau is guilty of conspiring to "salt" the claims in view of a prospective sale at a large figure, and that because the affidants refused to be a party to the fraud he is now harassing them in every possible manner. Letourneau swears that in April last both the plaintiffs were on the claim and were surprised at the amount of

work that had been done, and were highly satisfied. The affidavit further states that the claim was about to be sold to a French syndicate which was represented by J. M. Bell who was charged to make an inspection of the ground and test the dirt in order to ascertain the value of the property. Continuing, the affidavit says:

"That in the first part of May, 1902, the said J. M. Bell was rocking on the said above mentioned property and testing the dirt when the said plaintiff, C. E. Carboneau, asked Joseph Bernier, the other defendant, and myself repeatedly to put gold in the rocker in order that the dirt said J. M. Bell was testing would give \$2 or \$3 to the bucket." The affidants swear that both he and his partner refused to accede to plaintiff's wish after which time he began to cause trouble and interfere in every way with their working. The receiver has refused to allow the defendants to prosecute their work according to the terms of their lay agreement and he has dismissed and refused to pay the men employed during the winter. The defendants have not been notified by the receiver of any cleanup he has made with but one exception, they have asked plaintiffs for a settlement of accounts repeatedly but they have neglected to do so, and they have and are now suffering great loss and damages by reason of plaintiffs' actions. The affidavit of Bernier is identical with that of his partner.

Tomorrow Night

In announcing the benefit in yesterday evening's Nugget to be given tomorrow night to Manager Bittner, it was inadvertently stated that the performance would be given in the Orpheum. All must have known that such was an error as it would indeed be rather strange for the beneficiary to go outside his own house upon such an occasion. A program of exceptional excellence has been arranged, one that will be extremely gratifying to the audience. The opening act will be a farce comedy entitled "A Happy Pair," then will follow numerous specialties by the best vaudeville talent in the city; the whole to conclude with the last act of "David Harum." An augmented orchestra will be present and as Mr. Bittner has done much this winter to drive dull care away he should be greeted with an overflowing house.

Mrs. Lueders has received a fine assortment of ladies' walking skirts, dress skirts, summer dresses and hair goods. c16

Balliet Convicted

Des Moines, Ia., June 5. — Letson Balliet was found guilty in the federal court of using the mails to defraud investors in stock in the White Swan Mining Company, whose property is located near Baker City, Or. He was charged with having received about \$220,000 from purchasers of stock, and with having invested not to exceed \$25,000 in the property, and that largely in acquiring the title to it after he had begun to sell stock. It was proved by the government that during the two and a half years that Balliet operated the scheme he had expended \$25,000 in buying a newspaper at Baker City, about \$35,000 in advertising the mine and himself as "the Cecil Rhodes of America"; that he had expended various sums on actresses and personal outlays, and that since the purchase of the White Swan mine he had put practically nothing into it with a view to developing it on behalf of the stockholders.

It was essential for the government to prove that Balliet intended to defraud the investors when he sold them the stock. This was shown by proving his expenditure of about \$75,000 of the money in the manner described and in no way connected with the development of the property. The government clinched the case against Balliet when he went on the stand and failed to testify as to the whereabouts of the remaining \$150,000 known to have been collected by the sale of the stock, but not accounted for.

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Serious Accident

Two men whose names were not learned but who were engaged in painting the roof of the A. B. hall, fell from that structure to the ground, a distance of about 30 feet, while at work this forenoon. One of the men escaped all injury and got up none the worse for his fall. The other, however, was not so fortunate, one of his arms being broken and his whole system being shaken up. The injured man was taken to St. Mary's hospital.

FOUND.—Miner's license, issued to C. L. La Plant. Inquire Nugget Office.

Ice cream and cake served at Gan-dolfo's. 174

HINGSTER AND HARRY

Play Regular Engagements in Police Court

Both Will Again Appear for Trial on Thursday of Next Week.

Harry Woolrich was again in the dock at the police court this morning and had no sooner been tried in one case than he was placed in the box on another charge. All three grew out of the excitement connected with the gambling raid. In the case in which he pleaded guilty yesterday the charge was disorderly conduct, and he paid his fine. This was in connection with his scrap with William Hingster. The latter was brought up on a similar charge, but Attorney Asbaugh, who appeared for him, put in a plea of not guilty and obtained a continuance of the case until Thursday.

This morning Mr. Asbaugh was again in court for the prosecution of Woolrich on the grave charge of "assault with intent to do grievous bodily harm," brought by Hingster. To this he pleaded not guilty, and the case was set down for Thursday also. Should he then be found guilty he must be committed for trial in the criminal court. But the magistrate gave him his liberty upon his own recognizances.

Then came the charge of using insulting and abusive language on First avenue, brought by J. A. Clarke. The evidence was that as Woolrich and Hingster were passing the Queen street corner of Front street on Wednesday morning in the custody of the police, the accused saw Clarke and Moses McGregor and called out: "There is one of the spies; you —" Moses McGregor was the first witness, and Clarke corroborated the testimony, adding that he had nothing whatever to do with the gambling raid, nor had he spoken to Woolrich since last he met him in court.

The two policemen also testified, and Woolrich, who conducted his own case, cross-examined with a view to showing that he had mentioned no name to whom the language was addressed, and the inference that the approbrious epithet could only have been meant for Clarke.

Captain Starnes reserved decision until after the trial of the alleged gambling cases. The city ordinances are gradually being put into use and one class of offenders after another is brought up and made an example of. This morning A. Mizony was brought up at the police court charged with pushing a hand cart along the sidewalk, contrary to the city ordinance so made and provided. He pleaded guilty and made the customary excuse that he did not know of the law. Captain Starnes had again to declare that ignorance of the law was no plea, but as the accused had only been in town a week the fact was taken into consideration. Also, as this was the first charge to come up of a breach of this ordinance the nominal fine of \$10 was imposed, with the warning from the bench that the next offender would not be treated nearly as leniently.

It is now up to those who delight to bicycle on the sidewalks to recognize that Dawson has a city council.

To be Sold Again

The steamer "Monarch" which has been in court so long will again be put under the hammer on Wednesday, June 25, at the court house at 2 p. m. by Sheriff Ellbeck. Mr. Justice Craig recently decided that the sale of the boat last winter by Police Magistrate Taylor at Whitehorse was illegal and that such officer had no right to dispose of the boat at that time, it being then in the admiralty court.

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WATER FRONT NOTES.

Promptly at 11 o'clock this forenoon the steamer Susie blew her last whistle, cast off her lines and turned her nose toward St. Michael. She carried but little freight, though she had a number of passengers for the following destinations: For St. Michael—L. E. Spear, W. S. Scannel, J. H. James, Mrs. L. Pittnack; Wm. Waechter, C. P. Campbell, W. H. Woldorf, J. Gourlay, Edward Hansen, G. W. Comerford, W. F. Gassman; For Circle—J. R. Dodson, W. P. Fell, A. Bobb, F. E. Fell, F. H. Cresley, John Hamilton, Mrs. F. H. Coleman, Master Coleman, Jack Gregor; E. L. Kelley, F. R. Morrison; For Tanana—Mrs. G. M. Love, J. M. Hanley; For Eagle—Frank Smith, W. F. Green and Fred Cook. J. M. Hanley is taking 25 head of cattle to Fort Gibbon. Frank Smith, formerly of the Regina cafe, has been appointed agent for the N. C. Co. at Eagle and goes to take charge of his new position.

The Quick is being fitted out by her recent purchasers to go on the Fortymile run. The house of the Flora is being removed and will be sold. The hull will go into coal carrying for the Five Fingers Coal Company.

The Victorian has reported at Hootalingua and should arrive tomorrow morning.

The Dawson left Whitehorse last night and is due tomorrow.

The Hannah is billed to leave for St. Michael on Wednesday, June 18, at 2 p. m. Close connection will be made at the mouth of the Koyukuk with the new steamer Koyukuk and the Rock Island for Bergman and Bettles.

The Mary Graft left at 2:40 for Whitehorse. She carried no passengers.

The Prospector left for Stewart river points at 3 o'clock with a heavy cargo and the following passengers for Clear creek, Mayo, McQuesten, Log Cabin and Fraser Falls: W. H. Smith, C. Driscoll, E. Riley, P. A. Anderson, A. Ryberg, W. Hellman, Ed. Lacroix, Fred Renold, A. Lamoreaux, N. Labelle, P. J. Dew, A. Bellevue, A. Desotelle, E. Desotelle, E. A. Blom, Gus Lindbom, Vic Lindbom, H. Kuchenheiser, G. M. Cornelius, Fred Braine, P. Nash, C. Blanchard, W. Roberts, A. Lipsett and C. Bennett.

The Columbian pulled out at 3 o'clock. No tickets were sold for Whitehorse but a reduced rate of \$50 and \$40 was given through to Skagway. Her passenger list was as follows: Erick Herman, Mrs. Allen R. Joy, Jonas Porter, Geo. V. Fraser, Joseph Blouin, A. Simard, Peter Hembeau, Camille Dubouff, J. H. Abraham, J. Windmiller, A. H. Smith, W. F. Haag, Peter McGill, O. A. Olsen, R. Gunn, C. Rougeot, F. J. Ellis and F. S. Newkirk.

Cricket Today

A cricket match is being played this afternoon on the barracks grounds between teams representing England and the colonies.

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A Huge Bridge Moved

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Tropical Showers

The action of the weather these days is more that of a tropical country than of the far north. On the coast of the Gulf of Mexico beginning about the middle of June rain is liable to fall every afternoon for two

months or more; otherwise, summer in that country would be almost unendurable.

The afternoon showers now visited on Dawson are of a decidedly tropical variety.

To keep healthy drink the pure liquors at the Sideboard.

HOTEL ARRIVALS.

Rochester Hotel.—P. H. Perrin and wife; W. F. Green, Evanston, Ill.; Cook, San Francisco; A. Gorman, Sydney, Australia; V. M. Abbott, Eureka, Kansas; E. B. Hurst, Tanana; C. Simonelli, Hunker; G. Johnson, Hunker; Wm. Hutecheon, Hunker; Clem Barrows, Victoria; O. P. Barrows, Victoria.

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