

# ENGLAND'S YANKEE SCOUT

Fred R. Burnham, Formerly of Skagway,

## Is Adding to His Laurels by Valuable Aid Rendered to Lord Roberts in the Boer War.

The exploits of Fred R. Burnham, the intrepid American scout from Skagway in the Boer war, have brought to him new laurels. In the early part of the year Mr. Burnham was summoned from Skagway to become a member of the staff of Lord Roberts as scout. He is a native of Minnesota and has fought Indians in Arizona and distinguished himself in the Matabele war in South Africa years ago. In regard to his work in offering his services, and one or two whippers by wire have indicated that since landing at Cape Town he has been anything but idle. But for Burnham for instance, it would have been concluded that some thousands of the men under Cronje's command succeeded in escaping from the beleaguered camp at Paardeberg during the pounding by the British artillery. Throughout the whole of the time, however, Burnham was lying out on the hills at a point whence he had the doomed laager in full view, and he subsequently informed Lord Roberts that from the moment the victors cast their coils around their victims until the surrender not more than twenty of the Boers succeeded in breaking through.

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"The confidence reposed in the cute American by the commander-in-chief is strikingly illustrated in one of his most recent exploits. Desiring to obtain a map of the "terra incognita" to the east of Bloemfontein, Lord Roberts, instead of dispatching the usual party of mounted scouts, entrusted the task to Burnham, who, without a single comrade, plunged into the country known to be infested by the enemy. Having executed his commission, he was cautiously feeling his way back to Bloemfontein, when he fell in with Broadwood's ill-fated column.

"Riding some distance ahead, Burnham observed the Boers busily burrowing into the spruit, and their design in all its nicety was revealed to him. To warn his comrades in the rear was his first impulse, and in a trice he was vigorously waving a small signal flag. Too late, however. His action was detected by the enemy, who tumbled him over and made him prisoner.

"Later, when the capture of the convey had been effected, Burnham, feigning injuries he had happily not sustained, was placed on a wagon reserved for the wounded and driven off towards the Boer camp. Spying his opportunity, he succeeded in tumbling over the front of the wagon, and lay like a log on the ground whilst the lumbering vehicles passed over him. Then, not daring to stand erect, he rolled into a ditch, and lay there for 12 long hours, the African sun beating down upon him most of the time.

"At nightfall he ventured from his hiding place, and after a three days' perilous journey, with but one biscuit and a single head of Indian corn to sustain him, landed safely at Bloemfontein, his happy escape robbing the Boers of a most desirable prize and restoring to our army one of their truest and most valuable allies."

### Young Man Runs Amuck.

Yesterday evening about 6 o'clock considerable excitement was created on the lower end of First avenue by Leo Gold McCallum, a young man of about 24 years of age, who was wildly crazy. The young man had a small book, presumably a bible, in his hand and as he would rush frantically along the street lustily calling: "Come unto me, boys!" he would strike or touch people whom he could reach with the book and with a demoniacal laugh exclaim: "Now you are mine."

"As he was frothing at the mouth like a mad dog, the general inclination of those who saw him appeared to be to get away from him rather than to take him in charge. Still working his arms like a windmill, he went up the hill and entered the Catholic church where a member of the police force found him. He had gone forward to the altar and was kneeling in the attitude of prayer when the officer reached him. The fellow offered no resistance, but still inviting people to come to him and with much laughter on his part, he was taken up to the guard house where for several hours he continued in his

dementia. Nothing could be learned of the unfortunate young man or whether or not he has any friends here. An inquest of lunacy will probably be held on his case this evening or as soon as he becomes sufficiently quiet to sit for a hearing.

### BRIEF MENTION.

The fact that the Barr and New York had left for Nome was apparent on the streets of the city Saturday night.

Partly on horseback and partly on foot Sergeant J. J. Wilson made a round trip to and from Gold Bottom yesterday, covering 40 miles during the day.

Sam Bonfield's resort, the Juneau, is a favorite place with the boys from the creeks. The latest news of the mines is discussed there by recent arrivals in town and big strikes or hard luck stories are spun between drinks.

Mr. E. R. Harrison, who came here in the fall of 1897 and who has since chased the goddess of fortune up and down the various creeks of the district with varied success, contemplates leaving for Nome on one of the early steamers.

Someone started a report Saturday that a telegram had been received in Dawson that day to the effect that there are now 10,000 people in Bennett awaiting the rise of the waters of the lakes to come to Dawson. The telegram doubtless was a myth, as 10,000 people constitute much more of a crowd than Bennett has ever yet contained at one time.

This was motion-day in Justice Dugas' court, no cases being tried. The jury will be called tomorrow morning, from which time, until the 25th instant, when the summer vacation begins, the court will be busy in its effort of striving to clear as much of the docket as possible. Mr. Chas. McDonald, the new clerk, occupied a seat with Acting Clerk Snell today, by whom he was being instructed in the duties of the position.

### Marine News.

The C. D. Co.'s boat Canadian left Whitehorse on her down trip yesterday at 5 p. m. She is not carrying any freight, but has a very large passenger list. The Victorian follows tomorrow. It is not expected that she will carry freight to any considerable amount, as the water is still very low on the upper river.

At all points between Bennett and Selkirk the weather is reported quite cool and cloudy, the average temperature being about 45 degrees. From Selkirk down this morning clear weather prevailed, with the thermometer registering 52 degrees.

The river is gradually rising, an increase of three inches being noted in the past 24 hours.

Seattle No. 3, with barge A, leaves tonight for St. Michael. All her first-class tickets have been sold, there being but a small number of staterooms available on the boat for the purpose. She will carry something like 200 second-class passengers. Capt. J. T. Gray is in command of the boat.

### Did Not Ascend.

Prof. Leonard did not soar aloft Saturday evening in his new balloon, for the reason that the fibre from which the thing is made is not sufficiently intact to hold sufficient smoke to hoist it. He hopes, by a sort of glazing process, to have his ship ready for air navigation in a few days when he will again give one of his daring exhibitions.

Since the above was written Prof. Leonard has announced his intention of making an ascension this evening. He had a large furnace dug on First avenue this morning and is confident that his new balloon will hold the gas on this occasion all right. If the wind is not too strong, an ascension will certainly be made this evening shortly after the dinner hour.

### LONDON ANXIOUS.

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his death and those remaining she will have worked next winter.

The principle mining properties are 27 Eldorado and claims on Hunker and Bonanza creeks. Alex Calder died of pneumonia last March while on his way in over the ice to Dawson, being a companion on the trail by Duncan McDonald, Rory McDonald and Frank Becher. He was ill but three days.

### Coming Cuban Elections.

Havana, May 24.—Except among Cuban politicians there is comparatively little interest in the approaching elections. This is shown by the very light registration. One of the worst features of the situation is the fact that as soon as a party sees it is not likely to win in a particular quarter it withdraws its candidate and declares that everything has been arranged unfairly, with a view of defeating him. The Democratic Union and the Republican parties have both withdrawn their candidates in Havana, leaving the election a practical walkover for the National party. On the other hand, at Matanzas and Santa Clara the Republicans are likely to have easy victories, the Nationalists there objecting to the election laws. Santiago will be controlled by the Conservative

party, of whom Demitrios Castillo is the leader. Pinar del Rio has only a National ticket, and this only applies to the mayoralty.

Gen. Wood has issued a modification of the electoral law for the city of Havana, so that among the councilmen the minority will be represented. The city will be divided into six districts, each having four councilors. No one will be allowed to vote for more than three candidates, thus assuring to the minority at least six representatives. In view of this arrangement another week will be allowed for nominations.

Mr. Donato Sbarretti, bishop of Havana, accompanied by a number of priests, representing the clergy, and by a lay commission representing the lay Catholics of the diocese, have presented to Gen. Wood petitions signed by 31,000 people requesting that the decree issued by Gen. Brooks, while military governor of Cuba, ordering that all civil marriages should be considered lawful, may be so altered as to allow marriages celebrated according to the rites of any religion to be considered lawful, provided a record of the ceremony is duly handed in by the church or religious body for civil registration within 30 days.

Senor Checa, one of the Spaniards, who inscribed, has been appointed an inspector of customs and special agent. La Lucha, commenting upon the appointment favorably, says:

"Senor Checa is an old and well tried servant, without blemish on his reputation."

La Discussion says: "The Spanish papers are naturally jubilant over the appointment. Cubans, however, view the matter with deep disappointment and chagrin, not because Senor Checa was born in Spain, but because the appointment of a foreigner is an indignity to the Cubans. 'Cuba for the Cubans' and the public positions in Cuba belong to them. They should protest until notice is taken of it by Washington. Senor Checa was fifth on the list of inscribed Spaniards, clearly showing that he did not want to be a Cuban." Collector Bliss says: "Senor Checa was extremely well recommended to me by both Cuban and Spanish merchants, as just the man for the position. If I am to be responsible for the good administration of the customs service, it is indispensable that I should have the right to control its employees."

### What Will Be Done?

The insane man added to the list in the jail yesterday runs the number now confined there up to ten patients for whom there are no accommodations better nor different from that accorded common prisoners. It is very probable that, as was done last year, a shipment of all the insane patients will be made to the outside, but such shipment will only serve to empty the cells for a very short time. The mode of living adopted by thousands of men in this country is bound to be productive of insanity and there should by all means be local provision for the care of such persons side from the common jail.

In all countries where men live in isolation and alone as so many do here, insanity stalks rampant and should be provided for.

It has been suggested that when the soldiers leave there will be a large number of empty buildings around the barracks, and that one of them will be fitted up as a suitable receptacle for the many poor victims who, through disappointment, vice or from any other cause may become demented and require care at the hands of the government.

### Police Court.

Only one case was on for hearing before Magistrate Starnes this morning, that being the wage case of Neal Larson vs. Jack Olds for \$286 alleged to be due for labor performed on claims H and 42, Eldorado. Both men gave their respective sides of the case, but as other witnesses for the defence were not present, but are on the claims, the case was continued until Wednesday morning at which time it will be taken up at the Forks for which place Magistrate Starnes expects to leave this morning.

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