

## NEWS FROM JACK WADE.

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Affairs on Jack Wade creek have a very quiet aspect. Contrary to the expectations of last fall, the district is almost abandoned. Claims which six months ago would have sold for fabulous prices, are now almost worthless. Last September it was predicted that the present winter would witness the development of numerous properties, but this prophecy has failed of fulfillment, and probably not a hundred men have remained to test the worth of the famous creek. It is now generally conceded that Wade was overestimated. Instead of comparing with Eldorado in richness, it has resolved into little more than a grub stake proposition.

It is unquestionably true that there are a few rich claims located on the creek; but when considered as a whole it cannot be deemed paying property. Probably the banner ground is what is known as the Ophelia bench, which is situated near the mouth of Ophelia gulch, a pup on the left limit coming in at lower discovery. This claim is owned by a Mr. Anderson and two partners. The depth to bedrock is about 40 feet. The first four feet of the shaft went through muck and then for 30 feet the owners sank in solid ice, at the bottom of which they struck about six feet of wash gravel. Development work on this property has been retarded by water, which is occasioned by the thawing of the glacier whenever fires are built. It is expected that the introduction of steam thawers will overcome the difficulty now encountered in operating this particular claim.

Lower discovery is owned by W. T. Peacock. The ground has been let on lays, but nothing promising has been uncovered.

Dudley McKinnon's fraction, between Nos. 3 and 4 above lower discovery is considered to be one of the few rich claims on the creek. Buckets averaging \$25 have been hoisted.

No. 7 above lower, owned by Mr. Austin and others, is operated by steam thawers; near the side line on the left limit pay gravel has been located.

Billy Chappelle's properties, Nos. 8 and 9 above lower discovery, have prospected well and the development work has been satisfactory.

There is some ground in the vicinity of upper discovery, which, though undeveloped to any great extent, gives promise of pay dirt.

The first six claims above lower discovery are in litigation, but nevertheless No. 4 is being worked to a profit, and on the other five sufficient is being done to fulfill the representation requirement.

The Wade creek gold is coarse and lays close to the bedrock; the paystreak is uneven and irregular. Almost all of the laymen have abandoned the district. With the exception of the Ophelia bench, the hillsides and benches have proven worthless.

On No. 5 above discovery, Joe Twan has a saloon and a small stock of provisions. There are two other roadhouses on the creek.

A few people who took an optimistic view of the situation, freighted steam thawers to some of the properties, but the gravel did not warrant their operation.

#### At the Palace Grand.

Every available seat and a portion of the standing room space, were occupied at the Palace Grand Opera house last night. From the ranks of the local theatrical talent, good specialties have been secured, and their work is creditable and entertaining.

The evening's performance begins with Billy Mullen's version of the

comedy "Three Married Men." The cast of this piece is comprised of six characters which are well assumed by the Misses Jennings, Walker and Fairbanks and by Messrs. Mullen, Shaw and Gardner.

The olio is varied and introduces some exceedingly good specialties.

Annie Merrill received the applause she merited for the rendition of several ballads.

Alice Fairbanks is a song and dance artist of ability and exerted her talents before an appreciative audience.

John and Annie Estep do a song and dance sketch in which their trained bull-dog, "Jim" plays no unimportant part.

Billie Mullen is inimitable in his comedy work.

Conchita displays her wonderful versatility. She renders the descriptive song "Love and Duty," a comic piece "Never Take 'No' for an Answer," a parody on "Take Your Clothes and Go," and concludes her turn with a clever character recitation, entitled, "The Coster Girl."

Beatrice Lorne, the popular balladist, renders some exceedingly good selections.

The great trio, O'Brien, Jennings and O'Brien, appear in team work, in which they introduce artistic singing and dancing.

Jacqueline and May Walker perform a couple of funny sketches entitled "The Hod Carriers," and "He Whistled Up the Same Old Tune."

Cecil Mariona reappears in operatic selections, suitable to her fine soprano voice.

The performance ends with the production of the three-act Grecian comedy, entitled "Pygmalion and Galatea." The title roles are successfully portrayed by Mr. G. L. Hillyer and Miss Lucy Lovell. The character of Agasinas is played by Mr. J. B. Shaw.

#### Theosophic.

The Yukon Theosophical Club will hold its regular weekly meeting on Wednesday evening next at 7:30, in its new quarters, third building south east from the Portland restaurant, on Second avenue. The subject of discussion will be Karmie Acteon and will be illustrated by diagram explanations, etc.

#### Fire Apparatus.

The old chemical engine, hook and ladder truck, six Miller fire extinguishers and 200 feet of hose, have been sent to Grand Forks. The apparatus will be in charge of Mr. J. M. Stewart, a brother of the Dawson chief.

On Saturday the local department received the new hook and ladder truck, which was brought down from Scow island over the ice. The new machine was tested this morning, and proved satisfactory.

#### Lost People.

Inquiries are at the N. W. M. P. station for the following lost people.

Benjamin G. Haigh, San Francisco; Michael Henry Ashe, Cork, Ireland; Frederick Carpenter, Wyoming; Bernhard Diepen, San Francisco; John Harrison, London, Eng.; Frank Zikmund, Lake Benton, Minn.; W. A. McFarland, Seattle; Duncan McPhail, West Lorne, Ont.; Capt. James Davey, New York; William Lawrence, Seattle; Julian B. Smith, Los Angeles; W. Fred Robert, John Hawtrey, Windsor, Eng.; Dr. Martin, Montreal; Albert McConnell, Toronto; C. Preston, Brooklyn; Silas Alfred Banks, Sidney, Australia; J. G. Johnson, St. Paul, Minnesota; William Quinton Mason, London, Eng.; John Starrs, Paterson, N. Y.; O. H. Becker, Boston, Mass.; John A. Cambridge, New York; M. A. Grainger, Cambridge, Eng.; M. D. McClure, Cambridge, Mass.; Hans Melten, Portland, N. D.; Peter O. Terdt, Fairhaven, Wash.; A. F. Smith, Montrose, Col.

Are you planning any improvements in the building line? Place orders for lumber with the Nugget Express. Office, Boyle's wharf.

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#### The Down Town Bank.

The business of the down town branch of the Canadian Bank of Commerce, will until further notice, be transacted at the main office near the barracks. The books and records of the branch were removed to the main office before the fire.

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