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ASSAY OFFICE

Will Be Immediately Established at Vancouver, British Columbia

AND GOLD WILL SELL AT FULL VALUE.

Preliminary Step to Locating Canadian Mint.

MITCHELL IS AGAIN SENATOR.

Few Drowned Bodies Will Be Recovered—Congress Helps St. Louis—Pat Crowe Hiding.

Vancouver, Feb. 24, via Skagway, March 1.—The Dominion government has decided to open and operate an assay office here immediately.

All gold will be purchased from miners at its full value, the same as is now done in Seattle. This action it is thought is the preliminary step to the locating of a Canadian mint.

Mitchell Again Elected.

Salem, Or., Feb. 24, via Skagway, March 1.—John H. Mitchell has for the fourth time been elected to the United States senate, this time on the 25th ballot. His name was not placed in nomination until the 20th ballot.

The Golden Gate Wreck.

San Francisco, Feb. 24, via Skagway, March 1.—It is now known that 128 persons were drowned by the sinking of the Pacific mail steamer Rio de

Janeiro. Only 11 bodies have thus far been recovered, six white, four Chinese and one Jap. The ship lies in deep water where the tide currents are very swift, hence it is not believed that many of the bodies will be recovered.

For St. Louis Exposition.

Washington, Feb. 24, via Skagway, March 1.—The senate has passed the bill appropriating \$3,000,000 for the St. Louis exposition which will be held in 1903.

Dewet's Reported Capture.

London, Feb. 24, via Skagway, March 1.—It is rumored here that Dewet has been captured and that Botha is suing for peace.

Pat Crowe in Hiding.

Kansas City, Feb. 24, via Skagway, March 1.—Pat Crowe is definitely known to be in hiding near Omaha. He is surrounded by officers who are preparing to make a raid on him in his lair. He is accompanied by five companions, all desperate men and all armed to the teeth. In all likelihood there will be a hard fought battle when the raid is made but if resistance is offered the gang will be shot down like dogs.

Many Klondikers.

Skagway, March 1.—The steamer Dolphin which arrived last night brought 150 Klondike-bound passengers and a large freight cargo.

PREPARING FOR TANANA

A Few Dawsonites Will Go in This Month.

It is probable that 100 people will leave Dawson during the present month for the Tanana country and that probably another 100 will leave shortly after the opening of navigation and that will about comprise the delegation of miners and prospectors which Dawson will contribute to that district this year unless discoveries much more rich than have thus far been made are reported. Those who will go over the ice are mostly people who were there last year and secured locations and are now going in with provisions which can be readily hauled over the snow for the purpose of beginning the work of development. Those who will await the opening of navigation have not yet secured claims and are not desirous of getting on the ground until the snow is gone. The reports from Tanana are by no means of a stampede encouraging nature. There is doubtless plenty of gold there, but the portion that has been seen is decidedly meagre.

Fine fresh meats at Murphy Bros., Third street.

Plenty choice fresh vegetables at Meeker's.

Lined meal, 20c at Meeker's.

Hotel McDonald
THE ONLY FIRST-CLASS HOTEL IN DAWSON.
J. F. MACDONALD, Manager

Cubular and Pipe Boilers
Portable Forges, Shovels, Hydraulic Pipe, Steam Hose, Etc. GET OUR PRICES.
Holme, Miller & Co.

COAL LANDS

May Now Be Purchased For Ten Dollars Per Acre.

NEW LAWS WERE RECEIVED TODAY.

Price Cut In Two But Royalty to Be Charged.

RATE TO BE FIXED LATER

By Special Order in Council—Other Minerals Reserved—Takes Immediate Effect.

At the office of the crown timber and land agent an important order was received this morning covering the sale to individuals and companies of coal lands.

The order is sent from the department of the interior and is given from that department under date of February 8.

It provides that upon the recommendation of the commissioner of the Yukon-territory public lands upon which coal has been located will be sold at the rate of \$20 an acre where anthracite coal is discovered and at \$10 per acre where all other classes of coal are concerned. These rates are exactly one-half the price formerly charged.

The entire price may be paid at the time the purchase is made or terms of one-quarter cash and the balance in three equal installments are offered.

A royalty to be determined hereafter by order in council is to be charged and all patents issued for coal lands are to be subject to the collection of royalty at whatever rate is determined upon. The royalty is to be collected upon the sworn statement of the patentee and default of payment works forfeiture of the ground.

The maximum area of ground which will be granted to any individual is limited to 320 acres and the minimum is left the direction of the commissioner.

Two years are given in which to develop land granted under the order and if such development does not occur the ground is forfeited.

All applications must be accompanied by a deposit of \$100 to cover cost of survey, etc.

In case other minerals aside from coal are discovered the said minerals are held subject to disposition by the crown. In the event that land granted for coal purposes becomes valuable as a townsite, one-third of the lots in such townsite become the property of the crown.

In no case coal lands are to be granted nearer than 100 feet to a navigable stream of water.

The new regulations supersede all previous laws governing coal lands and take effect immediately.

Stages Are Crowded.

Both yesterday and today the stages operated between Dawson and Grand Forks by Orr & Tukey and H. H. Honnen contained all the passengers both ways that they could comfortably seat. The increase in travel is in part due to the moderation in the weather, but principally to the fact that the busy season is opening when new life and vigor is apparent in all departments of business.

Ten-Round Go Tonight.

The Colorado Kid and Al Smith are to meet tonight at the Club gymnasium in a ten round go. This will be the first battle of Smith's in this country and it is expected that he will make a creditable showing as he is an ambitious and clever boxer.

Round steak 50c at P. O. Market.

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LANGDON ACQUITTED

Of Charge of Killing Gambler Edward B. Shanks.

Seattle, Feb. 24, via Skagway, March 1.—Wm. E. Langdon was yesterday acquitted by a jury of the charge of killing Edward B. Shanks, a gambler.

(The killing of Shanks by Langdon occurred one night last fall in one of the notorious South of Yester Way saloons. Shanks made an auto-mortem statement in which he said the shooting was unprovoked; that he had been sitting in a small card room just off the saloon and that Langdon had entered and asked him for a small loan; that he had refused to grant it and that Langdon then shot him. Another story told at the time was that Langdon had come to Seattle a stranger and that Shanks and some others of his stamp had robbed him of considerable money and that when Langdon saw Shanks in the saloon he recognized in him one of the men who had robbed him; that he invited him into the small room and demanded restitution of the money and was laughed at by Shanks, whom he then shot.)

NEW ORDER.

An order received at the office of the gold commissioner by the mail which arrived this morning throws open the entire country to stakers and further permits the holder of one license to stake a creek, bench and hillside claim on each creek in every district. The full text of the order will appear in tomorrow's paper.

TELEGRAM DIDN'T GO.

Merchants and Bankers' Appeal in Statu Quo.

The telegram which was stated in the Nugget of yesterday as having been sent by merchants and bankers of Dawson to Ottawa asking for a modification of the term embraced in the recent order providing for the speedy closing of gambling houses in this city, was not sent as per the arrangement agreed upon at the time the Nugget's information was obtained, nor had it been forwarded at 2 o'clock this afternoon. While the parties above mentioned agree that strong objections should be at once registered against the enforcement of the order, it is not wholly agreed upon as to the language in which the memorial setting forth the objections should be couched, hence the delay in sending the telegram. It would look that, with the several million words to be found in the English vocabulary to draw upon, a message could be formulated befitting the needs and demands of the occasion.

Curry Discharged.

John Curry, the young man who was arrested on the charge of having stolen a purse containing \$150, the property of Miss Walther, at the Savoy theater a few nights ago, has been discharged, there not being a particle of evidence to show that Curry was the guilty person.

Hockey Saturday.

Saturday afternoon at 3 o'clock the Dawson hockey rink will be the scene of a contest participated in by the Civil Service and Police teams. Each team is confident of its ability to "do" the other and an exciting game may be expected.

MEXICO DISASTER

A Terrific Dynamite Explosion Underground Wrecks Buildings

AND PLAYS HAVOC WITH THE MINE

Besides Killing 87 Men, Women and Children.

SNAKE INDIANS ARRESTED

And Their Property Confiscated but Will Be Restored if They Return to the Nation.

Chihuahua, Mexico, Feb. 8.—Word has reached here of one of the most terrible mining disasters that ever occurred in Mexico.

An explosion in the San Andres mine, situated in a remote locality of Sierra Madres, in the western part of the State of Durango, caused the death of 87 men, women and children, and injured many others.

The catastrophe was due to the explosion of hundreds of cases of dynamite stored in an underground chamber of the mine. Electric wires, connecting with the hoisting machinery, passed through the room in which the dynamite was stored, and it is supposed these wires became crossed, causing a fire which exploded the dynamite.

The killed and injured were on the surface, most of them occupying residences immediately above the underground workings of the mine. The explosion tore away the whole top of the mountain on which the village of mines was located, and men, women and children were blown into pieces. Among those who were killed was Herman Lustman the superintendent of the mine, and all the members of his family.

Summons were sent to neighboring camps for surgeons to attend the injured and it was some time before this was received.

The San Andres mine is the most celebrated silver mine in Mexico. It is valued at \$20,000,000, and has produced many millions of dollars' worth of ore.

Indians Arrested.

Muskogee, I. T., Feb. 5.—Marshal Bennett, who is in the field with deputies and federal troops near Muskogee, has arrested 21 more members of Crazy Snake's band, and is now on the way to Muskogee with them. This makes 50 arrests in this band.

The Choctaw, Chickasaw and Dawes commission, which has been several days making a treaty to the Atoka agreement, providing for closing the rolls on September 1st, finished its work last night, and the treaty was forwarded to Washington for ratification. This agreement provides for the laying out of new towns among the Nation, also that after September 1st all property shall descend to heirs in case of death, a change from the original treaties which provided that property should revert back to the Nation in case of death.

Stetson Hats
In Latest Shapes
Leather Shoes
All Styles and Sizes
Spring Clothing
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"The Corner Store"

Change of Time Table
Orr & Tukey's Stage Line
Telephone No. 8
On and after Monday, Oct. 22, 1900, will run a
DOUBLE LINE OF STAGES TO & FROM GRAND FORKS
Leave Dawson, Office A. C. Co.'s Building 9:00 a. m.
Returning, Leave Forks, Office Op. Gold Hill Hotel 8:30 p. m.
Leave Forks, Office Opposite Gold Hill Hotel 9:00 a. m.
Returning, Leave Dawson, Office A. C. Co.'s Building 3:30 p. m.
ROYAL MAIL

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Heavy Team and Light Buggy
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Cut Prices on Dog Harness and
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We Offer to the Ladies
Of Dawson and vicinity our entire stock of Dress Goods and Silks at exactly One-Half Price, among which will be found the following attractive values:—
Colored Taffetas, per yard..... \$1.25... was \$2.50
All Wool Tricot Cloth per yd..... 50... was 1.00
All Wool Ladies' Cloth per yd..... 75... was 1.50
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