

LATEST NEWS FROM MINTO.

Statement of New Discoveries in the Triple Murder.

Men Were Decoyed Into the Woods 300 Yards From the River—Evidences of Hard Struggle.

It is strange, nevertheless true, that the only information obtained for publication in Dawson regarding progress being made in the search for the bodies of the three men who disappeared from the trail a short distance above Minto on Christmas day, Clayton, Relfe and Olsen, is picked up from parties who arrive from over the trail and who have been informed regarding the case on their way down by the detective who is working on it, and who has succeeded in locating the exact spot where the men were undoubtedly murdered.

From a gentleman who reached Dawson yesterday is learned a few new items regarding the search and its progress not heretofore published. Detective McGuire, a Pinkerton man from Chicago, who is in the employ of Will Clayton, brother to one of the missing men, informed the Nugget's informant that he has located the identical spot where the men were murdered, and that it is in the brush fully 300 yards from the bank of the river along which the trail ran. McGuire gives it as his opinion that one of the murderers—he thinks there were but two—decoyed the men on some preface or other back to the point in the woods, probably some tale of distress or suffering, and when they reached the spot the fatal assault was made.

From evidence plain to the trained and experienced eye it is seen that a terrible struggle took place presumably between Olsen and his assailants; as it was known that Olsen carried a very large knife and there is evidence of its having been used by various slashes and cuts in the brush on the scene of the struggle. The detective further gives it as his belief that Clayton and Relfe were shot dead and fell forward on their faces, such belief being justified from marks in and blood on the snow. After all three men were killed the detective states that the bodies were hauled one at a time on a Yukon sled out to the river and dumped in an open place which was quite close to the bank from which the trail led back into the brush.

The man in charge of the case thinks it is possible that one of the murderers was himself killed by Olsen and that the other dumped all four of the bodies into the open water. But as it is claimed to be known that one of the supposed murderers passed through Skagway and later arrived at Victoria the detective's theory is probably at fault on that particular point. It is known for a certainty that the two men suspected of the crime had in their possession two days before the three men disappeared three repeating rifles and one Colt's revolver. They also had a pair of field glasses with which they were repeatedly seen scanning the trail at frequent intervals by persons in the neighborhood of Minto.

As an officer is on the trail of Graves, the man who reached Victoria, and as it is known that Will Clayton, of Skagway, received a summons to hasten below about ten days ago, it is thought that probably Graves has been apprehended and that Clayton was wanted to identify something that may have been found when he was taken.

Detective McGuire is of the belief that when the ice goes out the bodies of the murdered men will be found in a slough a short distance below where they were dropped into the river.

The Nugget's informant gives it as his opinion that much injury has been done to Capt. and Mrs. Fussel of the Minto roadhouse by the fact that heedless persons have connected their names in a compromising manner with the supposed murder when they knew nothing whatever about it. They are much relieved by the disclosures which the detective has made and which conclusively proves that the men were made away with while guests of the house as has been frequently hinted.

It is highly probable that before the elapse of many weeks the mystery which surrounds the darkest crime ever perpetrated in the Yukon will be as an open book.

The Bride's Picture.

It is not unusual for the bride who is going away for an extended trip, or who expects to make her home in a distant city, to give photographs to the most intimate of her friends before leaving them.

One such bride, who is given to doing things unique and original, determined to frame the pictures thus given, and to do so in an appropriate manner.

They were to be mounted under glass in the manner familiar to all, and known as passe-partout, but instead of the usual mat of linen or cardboard, she used a material which was especially appropriate and one which made frame as well as picture worthy of being preserved among the family heirlooms.

The picture which she gave her mother had a mat of the white satin which had been used for her wedding dress, and across was a bit of lace with which the dress was trimmed.

To a sister she gave a picture also mounted in the white satin, but with a design of orange blossoms embroidered upon it; while the mount for the one given her maid of honor was of the white satin embroidered with a graceful spray of bride roses.

Friends less near received pictures mounted with the goods which had gone to make up the different gowns of her trousseau. The mount made from the material of her "going away gown" had forget-me-nots embroidered in small scattered sprays, while some of the silks and figured goods were made up plain, being sufficiently decorative in themselves.

In each case the mounted picture was bound to the glass with a narrow strip of soft leather in a shade to correspond with the color of the mount. Upon the back of each was plainly written the name and date of the wedding.

It is needless to state that the gifts were prized as the pictures alone never could have been, and it is safe to predict that other brides will follow the graceful fashion. — St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

Candy as an Army Ration.

The "army bean, nice and clean," which the veterans of the civil war became so familiar with, has no such prominent place in the rations of our soldier boys of today. Instead it is candy! Fifty tons of it have been sent to the soldiers in the Philippines in the last three months and large amounts as well to Cuba and Porto Rico. This may make some of the "vets" laugh, but it's a fact. Candy was never furnished to the United States army before although it is commonly used as a ration by the British and French troops in the tropics. This is done upon the advice of the medical as well as line officers of the army because it is a physiological fact that in the tropics a moderate consumption of confectionery promotes health and satisfies a natural and not unhealthful craving of the stomach. The larger part of the shipment are chocolate creams and lemon and other acidulated drops which are hermetically sealed in one-pound tins of oval shape to fit the pocket of a soldier's uniform. The candy is manufactured in New York especially for the commissary department and is little more than sugar and lemon or lime juice. The mixture of sweets and acids in that form is not only more grateful to the palate but healthful to the stomach.

Soldiers for Alaska.

The United States government has purchased the Northern Pacific liner Columbia, which has been ordered to Seattle to run as a dispatch boat to and from Alaska. One of the first things she will do will be the transporting of Gen. Randall, the department commander, his staff troops and supplies to Valdes, Cape Nome and St. Michael. Capt. W. W. Robinson, quartermaster, in charge of part of the department of the Columbia, has been carrying on negotiations for the vessel, but the deal was consummated east. The Valdes shipment of supplies for Gen. Randall should be at Seattle about April 15 and those for Nome and St. Michael posts May 15. The Columbia may make the Valdes trip and return to Seattle in time to get away with the other by the date mentioned. This, however, is not official. The Columbia is 2076 gross tons, 1816 net, 326.4 feet long, 38.2 feet beam and 21 feet depth of hold. She has a horsepower of 2460. She was built in '83, being formerly known as the British ship Methven Castle. The price paid for her by the government is not known.

She has been in the United States transport service for some time.—Alaskan.

S. Y. T. Co. Warehouse Leased.

Craden & Wilcox, the ticket brokers, have leased the S. Y. T. Co.'s warehouses at the foot of Second street, on the water front. The lease is for one year with the privilege of extending to a longer period. This firm has also acquired a lease on adjacent property, formerly used by Orr & Tukey for office purposes. They contemplate the building of a wharf for transportation purposes.

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A JACK WADE BOOSTER.

A. S. Shannon Tells Glowing Story to Skagwayites.

Says Every Claim Prospected Proves Rich—The Pay Streak Is Eighty Feet Wide.

Specific reports, says the Alaskan, as to the richness of several of the claims on Jack Wade creek, the most attractive of the American creeks of the region of the Upper Yukon, have just been brought out by A. S. Shannon while on his way to the states. He says:

"One hundred and fifty men are working on Jack Wade, and finding highly encouraging prospects in nearly every hole sunk."

"The claim owned by Hansen & Tennent, formerly proprietors of the Mandamin hotel of this city, is one of the richest of the district so far as known. Just before we left the men finished cross-cutting the claim, and found the pay streak 80 feet wide. This claim is known as No. 7 above lower discovery. Mr. Tennent, now in Skagway, has news that the pay streak has been traced 1000 feet, and fifteen men are working on the claim. Day and night shifts are employed."

"On No. 4, below lower discovery \$1.50 to the pan was taken out. This is well down the creek."

"No. 12 above lower discovery struck rich pay in January. Two or three prospect holes were sunk, and \$600 gathered from the dirt by simply picking it over."

"The creek has been prospected a distance of eight miles and pay found on nearly every claim. Thirty-three claims have been prospected."

"Jack Wade creek is deeper and harder to work than the Klondike creeks."

J. H. McCourt, who came out with Mr. Shannon, says:

"As to the bonding through of freight from Skagway to Fortymile by bonded carrier, the Canadian Development company is a bonded carrier, but it reaches only to Dawson. Consignments cannot come through to us. We go to Dawson and buy American goods on which duties have been paid. We take them back into our own territory and pay duty again. Not only that, but we pay duty on the profit and the cost of transportation of the articles to the region. Potatoes, for instance, which sell for 65 cents outside, sell for \$20. in Dawson. That means there has been so much for profit to the Dawson trader, and our duties are reckoned on what we pay for the goods in Dawson."

"For some time American prospectors were permitted to take into the Jack Wade creek, free of duty, supplies to the value of \$100 to the man, but just about the time we got away from there this privilege was annulled by the American-deputy collector of the place."

"Another thing seriously needed in the region is a court. I can cite an instance in which a man found it necessary this winter to mush out over the ice many hundreds of miles to the coast, and then to take the steamer to Sitka, to secure the simple dissolution of an injunction. We need a court at Eagle or some other near by point. However, we anticipate a session of court will be held in Eagle in June or July."

"Col. Ray is not exercising so much authority as he did some few months ago. It is understood he received from headquarters an order defining more strictly his duties and authorities. Anyway, he is not looking into the minor matters like the disputes of personal affairs between the miners."

"The roads over the district are not pushed at any wonderful gait. A railroad in from Valdes to Eagle would be a great thing for the American-Yukon region. There is an immense unprospected district around Eagle and Forty-mile."

Death of Mrs. Peterson.

Mrs. Captain Julius Peterson died at her home, near the corner of Seventh street and Second avenue, yesterday morning, after a sickness of several months' duration, she being a victim of consumption. Mrs. Peterson came to Dawson in May of last year from Tacoma and has since lived here with her husband. She was only 21 years of age. The funeral will be held tomorrow at 2 o'clock. She left no children.

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