

## GOLD FROM KOYUKUK

Is Brought Up by J. McNamara, Who is a Lucky Miner.

What He Has to Say Concerning His Emma Creek Find—Advises People to Keep Out.

One of the very few who have tempted fortune in the Koyukuk and received more than a frown from that goddess for their pains, is J. McNamara, who returned from there on the steamer Rock Island yesterday morning. Mr. McNamara is well known here and in the Atlin district, both as a miner and business man, and his statements carry with them the weight of conservative judgment and experience.

"I made a little money in the Atlin country," said Mr. McNamara this morning, "and, in company with my brother came to Dawson last year with pork and mutton, and after making a trip to the outside, came in over the ice, and went to the Koyukuk country provided with pack horses and prepared to go into the freighting business. I had 16 horses there and work enough for two, so you can see I was in a fair way to go broke in short order.

"Well, just about this time I met a party of fellows whom I knew, and they showed me a handful of small nuggets which they said they had gotten along the rim on Emma creek, but did not consider the ground rich enough to warrant staking.

"I told them they were a mighty poor lot of prospectors, to find a piece of ground where they got coarse gold of that character without prospecting further, and that if they would show me the ground I would only be too glad to prospect.

They told me where to go to find the place, and I went there and began work. The result is that my property there is not for sale at any figure I am likely to be offered for it, as I am satisfied that it is good enough to keep.

"Here are some of the nuggets I found in one of the bars of my claim," said he, drawing some gold from his pocket, "and you can judge by them whether I have reason to be satisfied or not."

One of the nuggets weighs eight ounces and resembles in a striking manner the Jack Wade creek gold. It shows evidence of much waste and wear, and is very light in color. It assays \$18.65 per ounce.

Mr. McNamara is on his way home to Portland, Or., where he will spend the winter, returning over the ice in March on his way back to the Koyukuk. He expects to work 50 men next year, and believes he will get much better returns by reason of better facilities for working the ground.

"You can say from me," he said, in closing, "that I do not know anything about the rest of the district. There may or may not be gold on the other creeks, but I do know that it is a hard country and I do not advise anyone to go there."

### The Council Awake.

The fact that several new smallpox suspects have been discovered recently has led to considerable action on the part of the local authorities.

Yesterday Dr. McArthur, in view of the cases of the disease which have been passing through his office from the creeks recently, recommended to the Yukon council the passage of an ordinance, or amendment to the present health ordinance which should include within its jurisdiction the whole of the Yukon territory instead of a little spot two and a half miles square.

At the meeting of the council last evening this suggestion was acted upon and the health ordinance amended so as to take in the territory.

Also, \$10,000 was voted to build a permanent isolation hospital on the island.

When Dr. McArthur was seen and shown the headings of the board's action on the different matters coming before it he said: "That is all right, but it is what should have been done in the first place.

"Since July the city has been free from infection, but whether it will escape now is another matter. Of course this amendment to the health ordinance gives us the same powers on the creeks as we have in the city, and we will at once take advantage of that fact to do all we can to stamp the disease out there without allowing it to spread further, if that is possible. If within the next few days the fact that it is spreading should develop, more stringent measures will be adopted at once."

The council decided to send 25 small

children now attending the public school on Mission street to a separate building, where they will form a kindergarten.

T. A. McMartin was employed and appointed principal of public schools.

Capt. Primrose, of Whitehorse, will from now on be enabled to act the part of cupid in a practical way, in the interests of people who want to unite their hands and fortunes. The council last evening appointed him an issuer of marriage licenses.

The Whitehorse bill of rights is to be copied and sent by the secretary to each member of the council, and will come up for discussion at the next meeting.

### A Yukon Race.

There have been many races between steamers plying on the Yukon, but the most exciting of all took place on the 3rd of September between the C. D. Co.'s steamers Bailey and Sybil. The Sybil, of which Capt. Cox, of Victoria, is master, left Dawson on Thursday, August 30th, at 3:50 a. m., followed 13 hours later by the Bailey, with Capt. S. Martin, another Victorian, in charge. On the morning of 3rd of September the Bailey came in sight of the Sybil, and then the fun began. From 8 a. m. until 8:30 p. m. the waters of the Yukon were churned into foam by the two steamers, each using every available pound of steam. The firemen on both the Bailey and Sybil were kept busy all day throwing cordwood into the furnaces, and as darkness came on great sheets of flames were seen issuing from the steamers' funnels. The Sybil managed to keep from 20 yards to half a mile in the lead until about 8 p. m., when Engineers Hennelly and Sullivan, of the Bailey, determined to make one grand effort to lessen the intervening distance. Their minds made up, the Bailey gained on her opponent, when by a skillful piece of maneuvering on the part of Pilot Frank Murray the Bailey came alongside of the Sybil. Then it was the true race began, for about ten minutes the two steamers kept on even terms, and when it was seen that the Bailey was pulling away from her companion her passengers and crew became almost wild with excitement. Another ten minutes and the Bailey had a good length to the good, but the race was not yet over. A stop had to be made by the Bailey to "wood up," and the Sybil passed by. But it can safely be said that cordwood never was carried on board in such quick time. Passengers and crew fairly fought with each other to grapple the charred sticks of cordwood, and carry them on the Bailey, and in a few minutes she was again chasing her "friend." Further along two whistles from the Sybil were heard, which meant that she was also stopping at a woodpile, where the Bailey bid her farewell. The Bailey arrived in Whitehorse hours ahead of the Sybil, winning the greatest race of the season on the Yukon. The lady passengers on the Sybil, among whom were a number from Victoria, were greatly chagrined at the result of the race.—Victoria Times.

### Returning Nomads.

The last two steamers to arrive from St. Michael, the Susie and the Rock Island, came laden with their full complement of passengers, the majority of whom were former residents of Dawson and who left here during the early part of the summer for what was then denominated the "promise land," but who are now once more in Dawson, sadder but very much wiser for their experience. But of the number of late arrivals from Nome it may be said that a very small percentage of them went there expecting to mine unless mining is easier there than elsewhere in the known world. On the same steamers which brought this vast throng back to Dawson also came news of a very encouraging nature regarding new finds of rich diggings in the country tributary to Nome. The Nome News of September 1st contains the following concerning a formerly unheard of discovery:

The stampede to the Bluestone country is still on, and small craft and steamers are daily taking many men northward. Every report that reaches Nome confirms the hitherto published stories of the richness of the recent strike. Two hundred thousand dollars is said to have been offered this morning for a Gold Run claim, but the story lacks verification. Chas. Brown has written to his partner, W. H. Horsler, to come at once, as the strike is the biggest thing yet seen in any country. Mr. Horsler left for Port Clarence Saturday.

John Plattner, a former Klondike mining man, Saturday disposed of a half interest in a number of claims in the Bluestone country, receiving therefor \$11,500 cash. Mr. Plattner will leave in a short time for his former home in Chicago, and will return next spring.

Will J. Wallace, a well-known Pacific coast newspaper man, left last night to investigate the extent and value of the strike. He will keep the News informed touching developments in that section.

Mrs. Key Pittman, formerly Miss Gates returned last Saturday from Port Clarence. Mrs. Pittman says the strike is a genuine one. She already had several interests in that section and while in Port Clarence added to her holdings by purchasing several other interests on Gold Run and contiguous creeks. Mr. Pittman remained in the Bluestone country for a few days longer.

## POLICE COURT NEWS.

In addition to the report published in the Nugget of yesterday the following business was transacted in Magistrate McDonnell's court yesterday:

In the case of the Queen vs. Chas. E. Severance, accused by a man named Borton, a Chechako Hill miner, of the theft of \$160, the defendant was held to appear before the territorial court, no bail being named at the time. Severance alleged that the money he is charged with misappropriating is yet in the pocket of a pair of his pants at his place on Chechako Hill and that he had forgotten all about having been entrusted with it until arrested at Whitehorse.

W. J. Graham, who was accused by A. Douglass of theft, was convicted and sentenced to two months' at hard labor.

For tearing down his own building a man had J. G. Corbett arrested, but the case was speedily dismissed on the plaintiff's own statement, when it was heard in court, it being decided that Corbett was only exercising rights of ownership over his own property.

There were no cases either civil or criminal up for hearing at the morning session of today's court.

### Death Warrant of King.

Some time since the Nugget published a telegram from Under Secretary of State Pope, confirming the death sentence passed by Judge Craig upon Alexander King. The telegram stated that the writer would later confirm the telegram by an official letter. The letter has been received, and yesterday the sheriff received from Judge Craig his warrant for carrying into effect the sentence of the court passed the 31st of last July. Following is a copy of the death warrant:

To the Sheriff of the Yukon Territory: Whereas, Alexander King, being a prisoner in the common goal of said territory, committed for trial, on the charge of having on or about the 15th day of July, A. D. 1900, on the Yukon river, at or near the mouth of the White river in the Yukon territory, murdered one Herbert Davenport, and having been brought before the Hon. Mr. Justice Craig, on the 26th day of July, A. D. 1900, and being arraigned upon the said charge, pleaded "not guilty" thereto; and that, upon the 31st day of July, A. D. 1900, the said Alexander King being again brought before the Hon. Mr. Justice Craig and a jury for trial, the plea of not guilty having been duly entered, and after hearing the evidence adduced, in support of said charge as well for the prisoner's defence, was found to be guilty of the offence as charged as aforesaid, and sentenced by the said judge, to be confined in the goal of the Yukon territory until the second day of October, A. D. 1900, and upon said second day of October, A. D. 1900, to be hung by the neck until he was dead.

You, the said sheriff of the Yukon territory, are hereby commanded that on the second day of October, A. D. 1900, you cause to be carried into effect the sentence of the court pronounced against the said Alexander King, by hanging him by the neck until he is dead, and for so doing this shall be your sufficient warrant and authority.

Given under my hand and the seal of the said court, at Dawson, in the Yukon territory, this 31st day of July, A. D. 1900. By the court.

JAS. CRAIG.

The gallows is almost complete and by next Tuesday everything will be in readiness for the transit of Alexander King into the realms of the great unknown.

It has been said that this old man who slew Davenport so deliberately and who pantomimed the performance afterwards to the horror of a crowded courtroom, would weaken and break down at the last moment. Those who know him best, and have studied him the closest, have little doubt that repentance—at least so far as letting anyone know of it goes—is something that King will leave undone. If he breaks down it will be due to sheer nervous exhaustion.

### The Mounted Sword Contest.

It was probably due to the fact that general admission tickets sold at \$2 each that there were many empty chairs at the Standard theater last night, the occasion of the mounted broadsword contest between Prof. W. S. Anderson and Capt. Benj. Kimball.

It was 12 o'clock when, after the presentation of a very creditable production of "All the Comforts of Home," by the Standard's excellent cast, the stage was cleared for the contest, an extra floor nailed down and covered to the depth of several inches with sawdust, and the beautifully caparisoned, coal black chargers were brought in. When the contest began no time was spent in parleying and for 30 minutes a very clean order of entertainment was afforded. Had the contest been very close there would have been 29 charges, the one getting the first 15 points to be declared the winner; but when 26 onslaughts had been made it was announced by the

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judges that Prof. Anderson had scored the required 15 points, the other 11 being marked up to the credit of Capt. Kimball. The judges on the stage appeared to enter into the contest with fully as much vim and enthusiasm as did the principals and the enthusiasm displayed by Chas. Gardner was intensely amusing. The horses, considering the cramped arena, behaved most admirably, at no stage of the contest becoming either excited or in the least unmanageable. Both men showed remarkable skill in the wielding of their swords as well as in the management of their chargers, and on the whole the affair was deserving of a much larger audience than witnessed it.

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