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Out of One First-Class Fare by One of Three Women From Dawson

WHO CARRIED DEAD BABE IN TRUNK.

H. S. Asquith Protests Against Pro-Boer Resolutions.

RUHLIN IS AFTER JEFFRIES.

Three New Canadian Judges—Strathcona's Generosity—Laurier Says Canada Favors Arbitration.

From Thursday's Daily.
Skagway, June 27.—Three women, Mesdames Lloyd, Haynes and Headland, with three babies, left Dawson on the last trip of the Sybil. On arriving here one of the ladies requested that her trunk be passed without inspection. The request excited curiosity with the result that the trunk was opened. In the bottom was a small box which the woman, being very much embarrassed, said contained only clothing. The customs inspector opened it and found a dead baby, evidently from three to five weeks old. The woman then produced a certificate of death signed by a Dawson physician. The only harm done was the beating of the W. P. & Y. R. which charges full fare for a body, big or little.

Asquith Protests.

London, June 20, via Skagway, June 27.—Herbert S. Asquith, former home secretary, vigorously protested against the pro-Boer resolutions introduced at the Liberal Club dinner. He declared that Boer independence is impossible and that the Liberal party favors federation in South Africa along the same lines as that of Canada and Australia.

Derelict Jeffries.

New York, June 20, via Skagway, June 27.—Billy Madden, manager for Gus Ruhlín, says he has waited long enough on Jeffries and if the latter does not agree to fight right away Ruhlín will claim the championship as never a year has passed since Jeffries defeated Corbett.

New Judges Appointed.

Ottawa, June 20, via Skagway, June 27.—The cabinet has appointed three new judges, Desmarais, M. P., for Quebec; N. W. Trezholme for Montreal and Rochon for Hull.

Generous Strathcona.

Montreal, June 20, via Skagway, June 27.—Lord Strathcona has given \$50,000 to the Presbyterian century fund.

Boundary Claims.

Ottawa, June 20, via Skagway, June 27.—A statement that Americans prefer to submit the Alaska boundary claims to Russia for arbitration has been called to the attention of Premier Laurier who says no such proposition has yet reached him, but that his government has all along favored arbitration.

Getting in Shape.

The boys of the Ladue Mill are getting ready for the coming athletic and aquatic events on the Poudre. They have just completed a racing canoe, 24 feet long, 24-inch beam. This will be used in the double canoe race. Alex McClain, one of the men who will ply a paddle, has issued a challenge to row any man in the Yukon for any sum. Ed Smith the champion log roller, is also out with a deft to roll logs with or without a pole. Ed has so far proven himself the superior over the log drivers here. During the world's fair at Chicago he met the best of them, carrying off the honors.

Missing Men.

Anyone knowing as to the whereabouts of any of the following will kindly communicate with the postmaster at Dawson: Chas. Scholey, Centerville, N. B.; C. Anderson, Deabold, Wash.; B. T. Longfield, Poughkeepsie, N. Y.; Chas. Oren, Wm. Clark, Philadelphia, Pa.; J. O. Stone, Tacoma, George McFrazier, Calgary.

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EN ROUTE TO DAWSON

Mrs. Congdon and Three Children Left Skagway Yesterday.

Skagway, June 27.—Mrs. Congdon, wife of Legal Adviser and Public Administrator Congdon, with her three children, arrived from Halifax Tuesday and left for Dawson yesterday.

Dr. S. H. Young, Dr. Marsh and Dr. Campbell, all Presbyterian missionaries for the north, left for Dawson yesterday.

Hugh Madden who left Nome June 1st, arrived here yesterday from the South and left for Nome via Dawson this morning.

Stanley Divorce Case.

Seattle, June 20, via Skagway, June 27.—The Stanley divorce case is being most stubbornly fought on both sides.

Tweedledee and Tweedledum.

Seattle, June 20, via Skagway, June 27.—The police have taken a spurt on the lines of morality and are even arresting fakirs with birds that tell fortunes. However, a number of "big mitt" houses are still running wide open.

CAPTAIN HOVEY

Commander of U. S. Troops at Skagway Very Sick in Seattle.

Seattle, June 23, via Skagway, June 27.—Capt. Hovey, in command of the United States troops stationed at Skagway is very low at a hospital in this city. He has been very sick for several weeks.

International Railroad.

Vancouver, June 22, via Skagway, June 27.—A contract has been let for a railroad grade from Grand Forks to Republic, a distance of 40 miles. The object is to get Republic ore to the Grand Forks smelter. The necessary concessions have been secured from both governments and the work will be completed by December 21st. The new line will be of great value to the C. P., N. P. and G. N. roads.

Canadian Village Life.

The conditions which mar the pleasure and nobility of life in small communities are not necessary conditions, says the Toronto Globe. The presence of a great mass of people is not necessary for refinement or breadth of thought. There may be in a great city more opportunities for personal contact with those who have come to the front in the various activities of life; but the great thinkers of the world now put their best into their books, which are available to everybody. The desire to see with one's own eyes some statesman or author of world-wide fame is quite natural; but such an experience is of but little importance compared with a study of the works and achievements which have created this fame. Even if one had enjoyed the privilege of an hour's conversation with Tennyson, it would have been of little value compared with an hour's reading of his poetry. It is true that books are not the sole means of education; but the smaller the community the more it must depend upon books and upon the fact of nature for broadening and elevating influences. But even in regard to human intercourse numbers are not everything. No man can know intimately a large proportion of the dwellers in a city; and it is quality rather than number that he seeks in winning and holding friends. If one could imagine himself and a dozen intimate friends removed to a village, and engaged in the ordinary village occupations, the prospect would be rather a pleasant one. The cultivation of friendship should be one of the fine arts of village life. Another is the cultivation of local pride and local patriotism. There need be nothing narrow in this. There is nothing narrow in the affection which one feels for his school, his university, his regiment, and his pride in the achievements of his comrades. The old boys' associations are probably doing good work along these lines, and it is a work of importance, because the great mass of our people live and will always live on the farm and in villages and small towns.

Chinese Indemnity.

Washington, June 10.—The government has formally communicated to the foreign powers the impossibility of joining in a joint guarantee for the payment of the Chinese indemnity. The difficulties in the way of such an arrangement are set forth in the communication, particularly those relating to the constitutional restrictions on the president in making a joint guarantee of this character.

In view of the determination of the United States not to be a party to a joint guarantee, there is anxiety shown in diplomatic circles as to the outcome on the question of indemnities. One view is that the majority of the powers being favorable to a joint instrument and thereafter carry on a concert of their own. In that event, it is said the United States would arrange directly with China as to the United States' portion of the indemnity. The representatives of most of the European powers do not believe that a resort to the Hague tribunal as proposed by the United States will be acceptable to their governments.

Latest stamp photos at Goetzman's.

Prices Will Be Slashed.

"Yes," said Manager Mizner to a Nugget representative, "you can publish if you want to that the Northern Commercial Company will make a material reduction in prices of all commodities handled and that within a very few days."

The above information was vouchsafed by Mr. Mizner in answer to an inquiry as to whether there was any truth in the current rumor that the big company contemplated cutting prices. Continuing he said:

"I don't know as I can say we are cutting prices. We are going to get what goods are worth and we intend converting them into cash. We need the money you know."

When asked about what extent the reduction would embrace he answered: "I cannot say just now as we are not through checking up. I believe, however, we will be in a position to announce our new schedule of prices about Saturday. Come in and see me then."

Dr. Cook, manager of the Ladue Company was informed of the contemplated move of the big company and asked what action, if any, his concern would take. He answered:

"We of course will have to follow suit and consequently will on some commodities lose money, but our trade will be preserved. A reputable concern like the N. C. Co. naturally will fix the price on staples and should they make a material cut we will follow."

J. J. Delaney of the N. A. T. & T. Co., was next seen. He answered:

"I had not heard of such a movement and would like time to think it over before I give out anything for publication. I can say however that the N. A. T. & T. Co. will look after the interests of patrons and protect itself. We will see that our friends are well taken care of."

J. L. Timmins of the Royal Grocery the leading retail grocer of the city, was next seen. He said: "I have heard that such a move was to be made but it does not worry me. I will either compete with the big company in prices or go out of business. I expect to get a bite from the apple. The big concern can't eat it all. I was the leader in cutting prices anyway, and that's no lie. God will take care of the Irish."

DROWNED IN FIFTYMILE

Two Unknown Men of B. Harkins' Crew Lost Sunday.

Billy Perkins the pugilist arrived last night on the steamer Whitehorse, bringing the startling information that one of a party of four men who were in a canoe two lost their lives last Sunday at a point about five miles below Whitehorse in Fifty-mile river. At the time of the tragedy Perkins, with four other men, among whom was Jay Humes, son of Mayor Humes of Seattle, was engaged in bringing down a fleet of four scows from Whitehorse to Dawson under the direction of Bud Harkins, formerly of this city. Perkins explained the details of the affair as follows:

"We started out with our scows lashed in pairs from Whitehorse, but struck a bar almost immediately upon getting under way and we all turned in to help get off which we succeeded in doing only to go on another. We then put one scow adrift and let it go down the river, while we worked on another. Our party consisted of six men under the direction of Bud Harkins who had the scows in charge. Shortly after we cut the scow adrift four men were dispatched down stream to intercept the drifting scow, they taking a canoe. They had not gone more than a short distance before the canoe by some unaccountable means was capsized and the men all precipitated into the water which is running with unusual velocity at that point. He hastened after the men as fast as possible abandoning the scow and pulled two men out of the water at a point fully three miles below where the capsizing occurred."

Both men were practically dead when rescued and had been in the water it seemed to us fully one-half hour. One of the rescued men was the son of Mayor Humes of Seattle the other man's name I did not learn. No sign of the two missing men was found although we searched diligently for them. I did not know their names as we had just started out and had not become acquainted with each other when the accident occurred. One, however, I believe was named Valentine but his first name I never heard. When I became convinced that it was impossible to recover the lost men I took the trail back to Whitehorse and notified the police when they started at once to the scene when a careful search was instigated for the bodies of the lost men but without result. I then made up my mind that a steamboat was good enough to travel in and took passage on the steamer Whitehorse. Bud Harkins is coming along with the scows and the remaining two men are accompanying him."

His preliminary trial was held Tuesday afternoon and he was bound over to the territorial court to answer to the charge of theft.

An Editor's Fortune.

The fortune made by Arthur P. Choate, until lately financial editor of the Mail and Empire, was due to perfectly legitimate methods, practically to his own insight, perseverance, and courage. His winnings are believed to be over \$400,000. He began some years ago, so the story goes, to buy the stock of a United States railroad, which, in his opinion, was quoted at much less than its value. As it appreciated in price he sold out, and finally made \$80,000 in this way. Then he bought more American stocks before the presidential election, and on McKinley's victory, when values of securities went up, again made a handsome thing. In order to avoid all interference with duty, he left Canadian investments alone. Now he proposes to enjoy his good fortune by a trip abroad. His labors involved incessant watchfulness, reticence, and hard work. He seemed to forego all amusements and became wholly absorbed in his business. If you met him on the street he was usually too preoccupied to notice you. Some mistook this for discourtesy or "big head." Mr. Choate began newspaper work in the Peterborough Review, afterwards went to the Toronto World, became financial editor of the old Empire, and, on its absorption by the Mail, succeeded Mr. Jehu Matthews as financial and commercial editor.—Printer and Publisher.

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MEREDITH FORCED OUT

Seattle's Chief of Police Can't Stand the Pressure.

Seattle, June 23, via Skagway, June 27.—Chief of Police Meredith has been forced to resign by the reformers who made it too hot for him. Meredith entered a vigorous protest against the star chamber investigation held by the city council. Detective Wappenstein will also have to step down and out.

Fatal Accident.

New Haven, Conn., June 23, via Skagway, June 27.—A. S. Hay, son of the secretary of state, was found dead on a sidewalk here at 3 o'clock this morning. It is believed he was taken ill in his room and went to the window, was taken with dizziness and fell to the ground. He was here to attend his college class reunion. He was consular to Pretoria last year.

Left for Dawson.

Winnipeg, June 20, via Skagway, June 27.—Principal Spalding of the Wesley college has left for Dawson where he will inspect the Methodist mission.

FLETCHER WILL WED.

Bride-to-Be Arrived With Her Mother This Morning.

Some people are born under a lucky star and without a doubt Frank Fletcher, superintendent of the Ladue Mill, is one of the favored few. Frank has been sawing wood, or rather, lumber for some time past and saying nothing.

He has just completed a handsome two-story residence on the corner of Fifth avenue and Sixth street, and the boys expected something was in the wind.

This morning Miss Ida Beebe, accompanied by her mother arrived on the Yukoner, from their home in Junction City, Oregon.

Frank was on the dock and after a fine spread at one of the cafes repaired to their future home. The wedding will take place at their home in a few days. Miss Beebe, a tall, handsome brunette, is a graduate of the University of Oregon at Eugene. Frank Fletcher is one of the sour doughs, coming here in the fall of '97 from Portland. He was chief of the volunteer fire department and a great favorite with the old fire boys.

The boys of the Ladue Mill, cooperating with some of the ex-firemen, purchased an entire suite of furniture—and nothing common would do either—placed it and prepared it as a surprise to their friend.

CONDITION OF MARKET

Immense Quantities on Hand Leads to Low Prices.

The large consignments of provisions which are arriving on every boat from Whitehorse have supplied the Dawson market with a sufficiency of everything for the present needs of the country and with the arrival of the lower river boats with their heavy shipments, there will be a big surplus of goods on the market. The large companies have already signified their intention of cutting prices which will mean that goods will be sold this year cheaper than ever in the history of Dawson.

The prices quoted this morning are much lower than they were a week ago. Beef is wholesaling at 27½ to 30c, retail 25 to 65c per pound; mutton, wholesale 30 to 32½c, retail 25 to 65c; pork, wholesale 45c, retail 60 to 75c; veal, wholesale 65c, retail 75 to 81c; hams and bacon 20c to 25c.

Poultry—Broilers \$2.25 to \$2.50; fowls 90c per pound; fowls 90c per pound.

Fish—A good supply of fresh whitefish was received yesterday and is wholesaling at 50c and retail at 60c.

Eggs—Per case \$12.50 to \$13.50. Butter—26c to 28c. Lemons \$9, oranges \$12. Potatoes—Old \$7, new \$9. Onions—New \$13. Lettuce and radishes \$3 per dozen bunches.

Tomatoes—\$1 per pound. Cucumbers \$2.50 to \$3.50 per dozen. Sweet potatoes—Retail 25c per pound. Cabbage—Retail 25c per pound. Peaches, plums, apricots, etc., 75c per pound.

Sargent & Piska's new store on Second avenue opp. S. Y. T. Co., contains all the latest in clothing and gents' furnishings. We fit glasses. Pioneer drug store.

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CHILKAT INDIANS

Burn a Steamer Which Was in Competition With Them on That River.

WAS BURNED ON THE FIRST TRIP.

E. A. Weigen of Dawson Dies of Consumption at Skagway.

H. MATTLAND KERSEY DEAD.

Was Commissioned Officer of British Regiment in South Africa Where He Died—Married a Singer.

From Thursday's Daily.
Skagway, June 27.—The first steamerboat to go up the Chilkat river this year was burned where it tied up on the river the first night of the trip. The fire was incendiary and is certain to have been the work of Indians who formerly and ever since the opening of the Dalton trail have made money by canoeing on the Chilkat.

Dies at Skagway.

Skagway, June 27.—When E. A. Weigen from Dawson was being taken aboard the steamer City of Seattle here on Monday he was refused passage on the grounds that he was very low with consumption and that the disease is contagious. He was taken from the wharf to the Bishop Rowe hospital where he died yesterday afternoon.

H. Mattland Kersey Dead.

New York, June 20, via Skagway, June 27.—The White Star Line officers here have received news of the death of H. Mattland Kersey, organizer and at one time manager of the Canadian Development, now the British-Yukon Navigation Company. Last year he went to South Africa as a commissioned officer in a British regiment. He died in South Africa but no details of his death have been received. Kersey married Ivy Waindard, the California singer, in 1882, but subsequently secured a divorce.

Duplications in Ottawa.

When the house at Ottawa rises they sometimes hang out in the lobby a placard bearing the inscriptions: "The house is adjourned. The chamber set aside, as a notice to the general public that there is nothing for them to see or listen to in the chamber. Ottawa is full of similar duplications. The "Keep off the grass" signs on Parliament Hill lawn are duplicated in French; the notices forbidding dogs to intrude their unhalloved presence on the same lawn are similarly duplicated. The house program is, of course, printed in both languages, and there are, as is well known, both French and English editions of Hansard. Ottawa is in fact a city full of duplications, some of them small, but all of an aggravating character. Even the bootblack who shines your shoes is guilty of duplication, charging the usual price in English and then doubling it. Possibly he shines one shoe with English polish and the other with French. The bartenders charge double, doubtless for a similar reason. The newsboys have the same bad habit, and the ladies who keep lodging and boarding houses have the disease in an aggravated form, and there appears to be no remedy. Paying double, you cannot insist on having your shoes shined twice at the same time; two shaves, one on top of the other, would make your face sore; two dinners off one bill of fare would give you indigestion; you cannot sleep in two beds at the same time. The man who contemplates a trip to Ottawa will do well to cultivate an enormous appetite, enlarge the borders of his feet, and in every possible way double his capacity. It is the only way in which he can get his money's worth.—R.

Should Number Houses.

Now that Dawson has a complete directory, her next greatest need is a systematic numbering of all the houses, the streets and avenues now being sufficiently defined to warrant such movement. A systematic numbering of all houses would not only aid in the accurate compilation of directories in the future but it would prevent to a large extent mistakes occurring as to people of the same name at present.

Best cow feed only 5 cents per pound. S. Archibald.